

**VILLAGE OF TOBACCOVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, September 3, 2020**

Due to the threat of spreading the COVID-19 virus, the September Council meeting was conducted in Village Hall and through remote conference call access facilitated by Attorney Amy Lanning. In Mayor Mark Baker's absence, Mayor Pro Tem Marion called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and turned the meeting over to Attorney Lanning who established protocol for the meeting. The following elected officials and staff members joined the meeting at Village Hall: Mayor Pro Tem Myron Marion, Council Member Boyce Shore and Lori Shore-Smith, Administrator Corder and Clerk Robin Key. One individual was in attendance at Village Hall, and Council Member Lee Ault joined remotely. Council Member Lori Shore-Smith gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Mark Baker arrived at 7:15 p.m. Total attendance: 10

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Council Member Shore made a motion to approve the August 6, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes. Council Member Shore-Smith seconded. The vote was unanimous.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE**

Administrator Corder discussed the upcoming paving projects. The contracts have been signed with the NCDOT, but the paving dates have not been selected. He said the Coronavirus Relief Funds will be deposited into the NCCMT-General account and transferred to checking. Due to Governor Cooper's Executive Order #163, sections of the park will re-open on Saturday, September 5, 2020.

**JULY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Administrator Corder reviewed the July financial report. Mayor Pro Tem Marion conducted an internal audit of the records and found no discrepancies. (Attachments)

**BUDGET AMENDMENT #179 - TO ACCOMODATE ROAD PAVING & CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND EXPENDITURES**

Council Member Shore-Smith made a motion to adopt Budget Amendment Ordinance #179. Council Member Shore seconded. The vote was unanimous. (Attachments)

**RTP TRAIL GRANT UPDATE**

Administrator Corder informed the Council that feedback from our Architect and the Regional Trail Program Staff indicated that competition for trail grant funding was very high. The chances of getting an award based on the application submittal for paved trail construction are not very high as compared to other applications. In order to be more competitive and to enhance the Village's chances for a Regional Trail Grant award this year, the grant application could be amended to reduce the amount of the grant application by changing the trail from paved to crushed stone. If the grant funding were received, the trail could be constructed in such a manner that it could be paved later with other funding. The cost for an 8 foot wide stone trail would be about \$105,450. This amount must include the loop trail and the connector. Council Member Shore made a motion to instruct McGill & Associates to amend the trail grant by changing the

construction of the trail from asphalt to stone to lower the amount of the grant application and to request enough funding to fully construct said trail so that it could be paved at a later date. Mayor Baker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Shore-Smith made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Shore seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Robin S. Key, Village Clerk

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Myron Marion, Mayor Pro Tem

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