**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL**

**JULY 12, 2021**

Mayor Jack Stautz called the meeting to order with council members Jim Hohenberger, Scott Rohrs, Michael Sudholtz, Robert Valle, Kyle Vance and Jamie Vogelsong present. Also present were Janet Baden, Steve Baden, Derek Beardsley, Lynette Beardsley, Dawn Buskirk, Cathy Delaney, Jason Etchison, Kate Haggerty, John Haggerty, Ann Hauge, Don Hauge, Jeffrey Hauge, Lesley Hauge, Theresa Hinschlager, Chuck Martinez, Sherri Ramey, April Rock,-Is00a5hll'li::gc:, Bill Wendling, Holly Wendling and Erica Willitzer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lesley Hauge, representing a group of residents opposing the proposed 7X Solar Project to be located in Sherwood Village and Delaware Township presented highlights of information backed by science and factual research that she has done clearing up the claim from a community member who has stated that misinformation is being spread. The concerns she shared included but are not limited to stifling economic growth of the community, exposure to harmful metals and chemicals, water contamination, excessive storm run-off, excessive noise exposure, harmful exposure to EMF radiation, property

devaluation, harmful effects to wildlife and excessive hazardous waste at decommissioning. She stated that she has spent a lot of time on this expensive research and she and her family and other residents who oppose the 7X Solar Project have nothing to gain and everything to lose if this project comes to our area. She stated that when the property rights of others are infringing on an entire community it is a serious problem.

John Buskirk entered.

L. Hauge asked if those present had any questions.

Kate Haggerty asked what will happen when subsidiaries dry up. Will the land be unusable?

L. Hauge replied that 7X has stated that they will reclaim land to its original form, but her concern is with the project frequently being sold will this actually happen. The Mark Center solar project has had 3 owners and the Sherwood project is on its 2nd owner.

K. Haggerty asked about the benefits to the community.

L. Hauge replied that payments in lieu of taxes will be doled out by the county. She asked what income is enough to risk everything that could happen to the community. She stated that she does not want children exposed to the risks. Hauge asked that the Village council pass a Resolution in opposition to the 7X Solar Project.

Lynette Beardsley asked whether council has previously researched the 7X Solar Project.

Several council members stated that they have done some research, but it has mostly been information which was presented at last month's and tonight's meeting.

Erica Willitzer stated that part of the Village Council has met in a zoom meeting with Cliff Scher who is the project director for the 7X Solar Project.

K. Haggerty stated that this project does not affect him in any way because he does not live in the area.

L. Hange stated that she has compiled a lot of research concerning the project and she will be glad to email the information to Rosebrock. She stated that the claims he is making that the solar project will have no negative impacts is false.

K. Vance asked whether Rosebrock knows the amount that the Village of Sherwood, the county and school district could gain from this project.

T. Rosebrock stated that the Village needs to negotiate with Cliff Scher concerning that issue.

Mayor Stantz thanked Rosebrock for his contribution to the meeting.

T. Rosebrock left the meeting via speaker phone.

Cliff Scher joined the meeting via speaker phone conversation.

C. Scher stated that he appreciated the time given to him so he could join the meeting and address the concerns that people have. He stated that the Central Local School District will gain $240,000 annually from the Cepheus solar project, and another $260,000 will be generated for the County, the Village of Sherwood and the township, which will not come from the tax base. He stated that the area which is northeast of the village is being planned to be excluded from the project so that it will be free for economic growth. He stated that he is willing to work with the issues presented and make commitments with people regarding their concerns.

Mayor Stantz asked whether Scher was still in charge of the project since the 7X Company has been sold to BP.

C. Scher replied that he is still the lead developer and now that BP owns the project there will be stronger financial backing and resources for a long-term operation.

E. Willitzer asked that Scher explain the business structure of the company and whether he still works for the company that is the developer of the project.

Scher stated that he is working with BP who has acquired the majority of the solar project and he is still part of the development team and is still lead in development.

Willitzer asked what the status of the solar project is as far as the application to the Ohio Siting board and how does this work since Senate Bill 52 has been passed.

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Scher replied that the application has not been completed yet and that he is not a government affairs specialist so he cannot answer concerning Senate Bill 52 but he does know that certain criteria is "grandfathered".

Willitzer asked when there would be an open forum meeting for the public to come and meet with Scher and ask questions.

Scher replied that a meeting is not scheduled at the present time but there should be one scheduled in the next few months.

Mayor Stantz thanked C. Scher for his contribution to the meeting.

C. Scher left the meeting via speaker phone conversation.

Janet Baden, Steve Baden, Derek Beardsley, Cathy Delaney, Kate Haggerty, John Haggerty,

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E. Willitzer stated that her office will be opposing the solar panel project after a formal application has been filed.

April Rock and Erica Willitzer left.

Village Administrator Sherri Ramey stated that there is no zoning report since Gilbert Montez is not at the meeting, but he asked that council compile a list of zoning nuisances and concerns and he will deal with them.

The council expressed concern about several nuisance vehicles.

M. Sudholtz expressed concern about the nuisance of weeds in front of the new Fire/EMS building.

Ramey stated that the village is aware of the situation, that Jeff has worked on it, but with the rain it has been more of a priority to keep ahead of the mowing. Also, we do not want to break our equipment so we would have to rent equipment to finish the yard.

There was no legislation.

Village Administrator, S. Ramey presented her report for the month. Ramey informed the council that we have ordered the new brick facade for the library and Siebenaler Construction will finish work on the library once it arrives. Ramey reported that there is a leak in the back roof of the Community Room and that Buckeye Roofing was in today to inspect it. She presented a quote for $1950 from Buckeye Roofing to do repairs to the community room roof and install 6" gutter.

S. Rohrs made a motion that we move forward with repairs to the community room and that we hire Buckeye Roofing to do repairs for $1950. J. Hohenberger seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. S. Rohrs voted yea, J. Hohenberger voted yea. R. Valle voted yea,

K. Vance voted yea, J. Vogelsang voted yea and M. Sudholtz voted yea.

Ramey stated that the roof of the maintenance garage is still leaking and as far as we know Wagner Metals has not come out yet to inspect the situation. She stated that we do not want to send another letter to Wagner Metals and we are still trying to work with them to correct issues. Our final option would be to find another contractor to repair the problems and send Wagner Metals a bill. Ramey told council that she has discussed Ball Park Drive with the home owners at the Crystal Fountain area. She informed council that the Challenger is still at Heritage Farm Equipment in Van Wert being repaired for multiple problems and we are working with Case to see if we can utilize the warranty.

For utilities, Ramey reported that there were 13 three-day notices delivered in June and there were 5 shut offs of which 1 is still outstanding and shut off. Ramey informed council that Dangler Excavating will soon be starting work on the Fountain St. water line looping project.

J. Hohenberger made a motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of the Sherwood Village Council held on June 21, 2021. R. Valle seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. J. Hohenberger voted yea, R. Valle voted yea, K. Vance voted yea, J. Vogelsang voted yea, S. Rohrs voted yea and M. Sudholtz voted yea.

S. Ramey informed council that there is also a need to have an Employee Committee meeting. The council members on the Employee Committee are Scott Rohrs, Robert Valle and Jamie Vogelsang.

There was no old business.

J. Hohenberger asked what the status is with the sale of the Crystal Fountain area properties.

Ramey replied that she is waiting on answers from the other property owner in the Crystal Fountain area concerning access to Ball Park Drive. Once we know what they are willing to do we can proceed with auction plans.

L. Beardsley expressed concern about flooding at the Sherwood Crossing area. Recently when we had so much rain some residents could not even flush their toilets.

S. Ramey stated that there is blockage on Coy Rd and we are working with the landowner who has promised it will be cleared out by the end of the month. Ramey that we will check storm sewers in the area to make sure there is no blockage and possibly have a company come out and flush lines if needed.

K. Vance stated that we should keep pressure on the land owner of property to get the blockage cleared out.

J. Hohenberger asked Ramey whether she had talked to the Weipperts at the Chiropractors office concerning the alley between N. Harrison St. and Rock St. and Vine St. and Elm St. becoming a one-way alley.

She replied that the Weipperts were against the alley becoming one-way so she would like the alley to remain as it is for the time being.

S. Rohrs asked whether the Nature Reserve signs have been put up yet.

Ramey replied that the owner has the poles for the signs now and is working on getting the signs up.

S. Rohrs asked whether the street signs have been replaced yet.

Ramey replied that has not been done yet since the priority for maintenance personnel has been keeping up with mowing.

Mayor Stantz asked whether any of the residents at the meeting would like to be on the Park Board.

J. Vogelsang made a motion that all bills for the month of June 2020 be approved.