

Village of Roaming Shores

Special Council Meeting May 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jennie D’Amicone. Roll Call was taken and the following members were present : Bob Cook, Ed Koziol, Duane Helms, Gary Meighen and Chris Plickert. Marlene Hocevar attended via zoom (video conferencing) and Clerk-Treasurer Leeann Moses attended via intercom. Also present was Solicitor Kyle Smith.

The Mayor requested this Special meeting to discuss the safety of our guests and employees when entering the Village Hall during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. At the Village Council meeting on May 5th Council voted 4 to 2 to require face masks be worn by anyone that enters the Village Hall. Since then our Village Solicitor has advised that we need to pass an Ordinance. Currently it is a requirement to wear a face mask to enter any Ashtabula County facility as is with most local municipalities as an added measure to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The Mayor is please that all employees are complying with this requirement. As elected officials, it is our duty to vote and pass legislation that is in the best interest of our entire community, not individual self-serving agendas. According to the Ashtabula County Health Department the virus is no longer isolated in a few hot spots but has spread county wide. It would be a tragedy if this Ordinance is not passed and someone enters the Village Hall and transmits the COVID-19 virus to one of our employees, member of Council or a resident. Saving just one life is much more important than the discomfort of wearing a face mask. If individuals do not wish to wear a mask, they can attend the meeting remotely. This is not about winning or losing, it is about protecting our community, our residents and our employees.

A motion was made by Bob Cook, seconded by Duane Helms, asking the Solicitor to prepare and Ordinance requiring the use of face masks when entering the Village Hall. Roll Call vote was taken and those in favor were Bob Cook, Duane Helms, Marlene Hocevar and Ed Koziol. Opposed were Gary Meighen and Chris Plickert. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Ed Koziol, seconded Duane Helms, to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed with all in favor and Mayor D’Amicone adjourned the meeting.

MAYOR

CLERK-TREASURER

SEAL