

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**of March 14, 2022**

**In Attendance:**      **Vermilion City Council:** *Monica Stark, President of Council; Steve Herron, Council At Large, Pat Stein, Ward One; Teresa Mayle, Ward Two; Greg Drew, Ward Three; Barb Brady, Ward Four; Brian Holmes, Ward Five*

**Administration:** *Jim Forthofer, Mayor; Chris Howard, City Engineer; Amy Hendricks, Finance Director; Chris Hartung, Police Chief; Tony Valerius, Service Director*

**Call to Order:**      Greg Drew, Chairman, RESOLVED THAT this Legislative Committee comprised of the committee of the whole does now come to order.

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**TOPIC ONE:**            **Review of Ordinance 2022-2 (Parking Near Mailboxes)**

G. Drew asked Chief Hartung his thoughts of modifying the ordinance to include a time period. He said they are not trying to stop people from parking in front of a mailbox at 10 p.m., so he suggested they insert 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the ordinance to prevent neighbor disputes and having the police being called at 7:00 p.m., and expecting the officers to come out and cite vehicles that are parked in front of the mailboxes at 7:00 p.m. Chief Hartung said it really is not an issue that comes up a lot. When it did come up, they did not have a mechanism to address it, so everything council provides is a tool. They do not issue citations to raise revenues, but the purpose is to correct a behavior. He said the circumstance that brought this to their attention hasn't had a call since November. They did call a few weeks ago, but it was due to blocking the snowplow from doing its job.

S. Herron said he reflected on this matter for a week and concluded that G. Drew was right as they do not need to over legislate their streets.

**G. Drew MOVED;** M. Stark seconded to amend Ordinance 2022-2 to insert the hours between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Greg Drew adjourned the meeting upon no further discussion.

Next meeting: April 11, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Vermilion Municipal Court Complex, 687 Decatur Street, Vermilion, Ohio