

Minutes of Cedarville Village Council

Held July 12, 2021

Council met in regular session on July 12, 2021 with Mayor Pergram presiding. Council members present were Brooks, Chisholm, Dawes, Stancliff, Terrell and Ware.

Minutes: Minutes of the June 28, 2021 regular meeting were accepted as presented.

Mayor Pergram:

- “Thank You” received from the Shanahan’s for assistance provided.
- Mayor is “covering” the Zoning Administrator role in the interim and anticipates that the incoming Village Administrator will pick up some portion of this role.
- ARPA – other cities are doing sidewalks and other infrastructure projects with the ARPA funds and the Village needs to be looking for these types of projects to make use of these funds. Also – the projected amount coming to the Village has dropped from \$840k to \$480k.
- The Village has received two (2) grants from the Greene County Parks and Recreation Department.
 - \$7,000 to upgrade the second ball field – repeating what was done to the first field
 - \$7,500 for the picnic shelter(s) at the Community ParkThis leaves an additional \$5,000 needed for the field upgrade. The Township has agreed to cover ½ of the cost if the Village will cover the other portion.
 - Council agreed to fund up to \$2,500 for upgrading the second ball field. This is covered by the budget.
- The “Beautify Cedarville” group is asking the Village to provide \$1,000 to help replace all of the trash cans in town – to be matched by the Township.
 - Council agreed to fund up to \$1,000 for trash cans to be replaced in the Village. This is covered by the budget.
- The Village has an increasing number of food trucks in town. Council may want to visit this issue to determine whether / how much permits should be for them; whether they should be allowed to park on Main St. or in designated lots; and whether this will have a positive or negative impact on local businesses.

Police Chief Combs:

- 207 calls in last two (2) weeks.
- Phones and “New World” are up and running in the new police department.
- The department is now operational and functional in the new police department – only files are still being moved.
- Many “Thanks” to various individuals in the community for their continued support during the transition to the new police department.
- The Senior Center is looking for volunteers to help serve.
- Chief Combs announced the Cedarville University had provided a \$5,000 donation to the department and he would like to use part of these funds to purchase two bikes (and equipment and training) for the department to use at various events including ball games, park activities, etc.
- Feral cats are still a problem in the Village – particularly on the nights before the trash is picked up by Rumpke. It would help if residents would (be required to) use trash cans instead of simply putting bags on the street. Options here should be evaluated.
- Chief provided some documents for Council to review related to the handling of deaths of indigent individuals. Council and Solicitor will review these for further action.

Village Administrator Furay:

- Painting curbs – attempting to finish before CU students return.
- Putting up signs in the Park and some streets.
- Geese at the Park are an ongoing and increasing nuisance.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$56,741.57 were submitted. Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to approve the warrants for payment. The motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations – to meet on July 19, 2021.
- Finance/Utility – update to be provided by Fiscal Officer.
- Fiscal Officer –
 - provided the June financial statements
 - provided information for review that will be submitted to the Greene County Auditor in lieu of the “Tax Budget”. The Auditor is not requiring this version of the FY22 budget – but they are requesting information related to the resources that the Village anticipates having available in FY22. This information was reviewed by Council.
- Solicitor – no report.
- Activities – no report.

Council Comments: None

Guests Comments:

- Ms. Emily Kaster updated Council on the plans for CedarFest. Further discussion ensued on the potential request to ODOT to close Main St (SR 72) for one day so that the business district can be an active part of the CedarFest celebration. Council requested that a “master plan” (i.e. complete schedule of activities) to help determine the necessity of doing so. No action taken at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.