

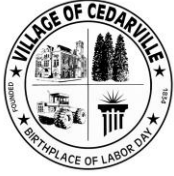
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# Village of Cedarville

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## **Minutes of Cedarville Council** **Held June 12, 2023**

Council met in regular session on June 12, 2023 with Mayor John Cody, Jr. presiding. Council members present were Becknell, Brooks, Combs, Dawes, Jones and Ruth. The Fiscal Officer recorded the minutes.

Prior to the Council meeting, a town hall meeting was held to discuss the feral cat problem in the Village. Pastor Tim Cochrell opened the town hall meeting with the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Council meeting was then opened.

Minutes: Minutes of the May 22, 2023, regular meeting were approved as presented.

Mayor Cody:

- CedarFest planning is being coordinated by the Community Relations Committee
- Fireworks will be the same price (for the same type of show) as last year. Mayor will contact Township Trustees to confirm their intent to cover one-half of the cost.
- The Village of Yellow Springs is looking for a grant for vehicle chargers and the Village may be able to support their request.
- Fiscal Officer Rod Johnson has announced his resignation. Mr. Dan Howdysshell has been appointed to replace him.

Police Chief Smith:

- 184 calls in last 3 weeks
- The Village of Yellow Springs police department asked CPD for mutual assistance in covering their street fair. Two (2) officers responded.
- A Yellow Springs resident has requested permission to spread her brother's ashes at Memorial Park. The solicitor will check on related ordinances and check back with the Chief.

Village Administrator Kannedy:

- Met with Mr. Gary Furay to better understand the overall responsibilities of the Village employees. She feels that the work is not getting done but is not sure of their exact responsibilities.
- A store(front) in town is performing modifications without a permit. The Administrator sent a stop order; however, the owner did not respond but, instead, blacked out the windows so no one can see inside. Council will discuss next steps in Executive Session at end of the meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Resolution 2023-10: Hiring National Inspection Corporation (NIC) to perform zoning administration functions for the Village per the proposal submitted to the Village dated May 8, 2023.

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Dawes seconded to approve Resolution 2023-10. Motion passed with all ayes.

- Resolution 2023-11: Appriving the Annexation of .834 Acres, More or Less, in Cedarville Township, Greene County, Ohio to the Village of Cedarville, Ohio. This has been approved by the Greene County Commissioners as Resolution 23-5-18-4.

Ms. Becknell moved and Mr. Dawes seconded to approve Resolution 2023-11. Motion passed with all ayes.

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$70,540.97 were submitted.

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Ruth seconded to approve the warrants as presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations: Provided CedarFest planning update (all events to occur on Sunday, 9/3/23):
  - Vendor set-ups are available;
  - There will be a meeting on June 21 at 7:00 with those interested in volunteering to help with CedarFest
  - Grace Baptist Church volunteers have offered to clean up the park after the event.
- Finance/Utilities:
  - Pickleball courts and basketball goals: Village is ready for these but waiting on bids to provide and install equipment.
  - Talked about zoning being done by NIC – and recommended that this be approved by Council via Resolution 2023-10.
- Fiscal Officer: No report
- Solicitor:
  - Reminded Council that the Municipal Attorneys Conference is next month.
  - Requests Executive Session to update on legal matters.

Comments:

- Council: None
- Guests:
  - Mr. Randy Melvin noted that this was the last Council meeting before the scheduled court date and requests that Council drop all charges against the property owner based on the amount of work that has been done to clean up the property. New owner of the last rail car has until 8/1 to have the car moved. Council will consider request in Executive Session.

Mr. Brooks moved and Ms. Jones seconded to move to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and legal updates. Action is expected afterward. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Brooks moved and Ms. Jones seconded to return from Executive Session. Motion passed with all ayes.

Ms. Jones moved and Mr. Ruth seconded to direct the solicitor in the following action:

The Council concurs with Solicitor Bogenschutz's recommendation to dismiss the charges against the owner of 23 Miller St. without prejudice and defendant's costs.

The motion passed with all ayes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.