

Minutes of Cedarville Village Council

Held March 8, 2021

Council met in regular session on March 8, 2021 with Mayor Pergram presiding. Council members present were Brooks, Chisholm, Dawes, Stancliff, Terrell, and Ware.

Minutes: Minutes of the February 22, 2021 regular meeting and the March 1, 2021 special meeting were accepted as submitted.

Mayor Pergram:

- All street lights will be changed to LED. (responding to letter from a CedarCliff student)
- Election in November – all ballot info due to the Board of Elections by August 4, 2021. Note: this includes those running for Council seats up for election.
- Met with ODOT regarding the crosswalks on Main St. ODOT performing a study of crosswalks at the bike path and both intersections of St. Rt. 72 and St. Rt. 42 to evaluate need for new traffic lights and crossing signs.
- There will be an art show by a student from 11:00-1:00 and 6:00-8:00 on Friday, 3/12 in the Opera House Conference Room.
- Mayor informed Council of a budget meeting with the Fiscal Officer. Both have some concerns about the Village's fiscal status in 2022, '23, and '24.

Police Chief Combs:

- 324 calls in last two (2) weeks.
- New Police Department update:
 - Wiring for electric and data is in process
 - Received quote from vendor for technology / services that seems very high. Looking for other options.
 - Moving most service work to Freedom Automotive with Denny's Automotive closing. Found that the catalytic converters on the Fords will be replaced under warranty.

Village Administrator Furay:

- Working to replace some street signs.
- Working on the plumbing in the Community Park restrooms to get ready to open for summer.
- Looking to identify the roads that will be micro-sealed this summer. Prices for material and labor are the same as last year.
- Receiving the last load of road salt this week. Storage barn will be fully stocked and ready for next year.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Resolution 2021-03: Resolution to Approve the Greene County Solid Waste Management Plan

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to approve Resolution 2021-03. Motion passed with all ayes.

- Resolution 2021-04: Resolution of Necessity. This is the first step in putting the property tax renewal on the ballot this fall.

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to approve Resolution 2021-04. Motion passed with all ayes.

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$87,810.45 were submitted. Ms. Ware moved and Mr. Chisholm seconded to approve the warrants for payment. The motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations: No report. Scheduled to meet on March 15.
- Finance/Utility: No report – requesting Executive Session. Scheduled to meet on April 5.
- Fiscal Officer:
 - Provided update on YTD activity – all tax filings completed and submitted, the annual report has been filed with the Auditor of State, and records for the 2019, 2020 audit are being prepared for the auditors.
- Solicitor – No report.
- Zoning – No report.
- Parks director – No report.

Council took some time to review the next section in the handbook. During this discussion, it was determined that the handbook does not require “continuous service” when calculating vacation benefits. As a result, Officer Ruth should have received three (3) weeks of vacation in 2020 and will received three (3) weeks of vacation in 2021. Fiscal Officer will determine how to process this payroll in conjunction with OP&F reporting.

Council Comments:

- Councilmember Ware asked about the annual Community Day Garage Sale. As this is not an official Village event, it will be up to individuals whether they want to have or attend a yard sale. There are no Village restrictions for this activity.

Guests Comments:

- Ms. Emily Kaster asked if Council is planning to hold CedarFest this year. Answer: “Yes” – but Council needs individuals to “carry the ball” on this. Emily will take the volunteer lead.

Mr. Terrell moved and Mr. Dawes seconded to move to Executive Session to discuss employee benefits. Action is anticipated after the meeting. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to return from Executive Session.

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded that, in light of the significant increase in health insurance premiums this year, the Village will cease making payments to employee Health Savings Accounts beginning July 1 (i.e. June payment will be the last payment). Motion passed with all ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.