

Minutes of Cedarville Village Council

Held October 10, 2022

Council met in regular session on October 10, 2022 with Mayor Pergram presiding. Council members present were Brooks, Cody, Dawes (late), Jones, and Stancliff. Fiscal Officer recorded the minutes.

Minutes: Minutes of the September 26, 2022 regular meeting were accepted.

Mayor Pergram:

- Amy Hoffman will be here on 11/14 to talk about energy aggregation.
- Councilmembers: Please check your email regularly.
- Replacing the “Little Town of Lights” banner at a cost of ~\$350.
- “Beggar’s Night” is 10/31 from 6:00-8:00.

Police Chief Smith:

- 251 calls in the past two weeks.
- 3 officers are attending Greene County Prosecutor’s Training on Tuesday and Thursday.
- “Drug Takeback” scheduled for 10/29/22.
- *New World* is increasing from \$2,000 to \$3,000 annually with annual 5% increases following.

Village Administrator Porter:

- 5-6 feral cats have already been caught, spayed/neutered, and returned.
- Estimates for upgrades to the restrooms and other work in the Village Council Offices:
 - \$25,350 for general repairs
 - \$27,450 for plumbing workCosts to be paid from ARPA Funds
- Estimate for work on the Council “back room” is \$26,270 to be paid from ARPA funds.

Note: All of this work is approved and in budget.

- A student from Cedarville University is requesting approval to be in the Park after dark to shoot a film. Approval granted.
- Presented Ordinance 2022-20 as first step to making the current .25% increase in the payroll tax (to 1.25%) permanent. Council tabled this discussion.
- The cost/page for printing is given in the handbook and should be updated. No action taken.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Resolution 2022-10: Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Annexation Agreement with Cedarville Township Trustees. (Presented by Administrator)

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to approve Resolution 2022-10. Motion passed with all ayes.

- Resolution 2022-11: Transfer of \$5,015.00 from the General Fund (where they were transferred from the CedarFest account) to the Park Fund (to reimburse CedarFest Expenses).
Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Cody seconded to approve Resolution 2022-11. Motion passed with all ayes.

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$89,699.93 were submitted.

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Cody seconded to approve the warrants for payment. The motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations – No meeting.
- Finance/Utility – No meeting.
- Fiscal Officer –
 - Update on Rumpke
 - Update on Electronic Deposit. Council in agreement that all employees will be paid electronically once this process is in place.
 - Working with Administrator on a letter to be sent to all contractors awarded work in the Village making sure that they are aware of withholding requirements outlined in Ordinances.
 - Presented September financial reports.
- Solicitor – Requests Executive Session to discuss legislative matters.
- Activities – None

Guests Comments:

- Mr. Tony Gillaugh requested confirmation that the electric service is ready for the Christmas light display. Administrator is not aware of any issues.

Council Comments: None

With Councilmember Terrell leaving, there is an open council seat. Three people have applied for this position:

- Mr. James Combs
- Mr. Paul Cope
- Mr. Jayson Ruth

After hearing briefly from each of them:

Mr. Dawes moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to move to Executive Session for deliberation. Motion passed with all ayes.

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

Mr. James Combs is selected to fill the open council seat and was sworn in with term running through 12/31/23.

Council then voted to replace Mr. Terrell as Mayor Pro-Tem. In a ballot vote, Mr. John Cody was elected as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mr. Dawes moved and Ms. Jones seconded to move to Executive Session to discuss legislative matters. No action is anticipated afterward. Motion passed with all ayes. Ms. Jones moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to return from Executive Session. Motion passed with all ayes.

- Mayor: Tonight is Councilmember Stancliff's last meeting as he is moving out of the Village.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.