

# APPROVED MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF UNIONVILLE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

President John Katnik called the September 18, 2023, regular council meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Council Present:** John Katnik, Brandt Gaeth, Chad Gaeth, and Tod Sting.

**Council Absent:** Vickie Balzer, Jon Townsend, and Greg Miracle.

**Others Present:** Clerk Alexis Ortner, Treasurer Leila Rish, DPW Supervisor David Yoder, and Police Chief Bill Owens.

**Guests Present:** Chris Creguer, Nick Sakon, Kathy Trischler (Columbia Township Supervisor), and Shane Jackson.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comment was requested by President Katnik.

- Chris Creguer introduced himself to the council and explained that he was there to discuss the feasibility of expanding the existing ACW Fire Hall as an alternate option, which would mean expanding more onto Village property of the shared building. The council listened to the proposed idea and took a visual look at how the addition would impact the building and grounds, but determined more time would be needed to make a decision.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** **Motion** by B. Gaeth, seconded by Sting to approve the August 21, 2023, unapproved minutes as presented. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS:** **Motion** by C. Gaeth, seconded by B. Gaeth to pay the September 2023 accounts payables of \$30,201.06. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:** **Motion** by B. Gaeth, seconded by Sting to approve the budget adjustments below as presented by the Clerk. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS	FROM	TO	DIFF	REASON
<b>WATER</b>				
591-536-726-00 - SUPPLIES - MISC	\$370	\$440	\$70	HOSES AND EXTENDERS FOR WATER WELLS
591-536-930-00 – REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	\$12,000	\$17,590	\$5,590	WELL #2 REPAIR
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>				
661-441-930-00 - REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	\$9,928	\$10,068	\$140	BLADES AND PARTS FOR MOWING EQUIPMENT
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$5,800</b>	

**DPW REPORT:** DPW Supervisor, David Yoder gave his report to the council. Kemp Park sidewalk repair has not yet begun but will be done before winter. He also discussed the tire repairs for the 2009 Ford Pickup.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Treasurer Leila Rish reported on the Village’s account balances. The water vendor received \$647.50 in August. Village taxes were due on September 14 with \$124,328.18 received and \$9,337.03 delinquent, however this is not the final report for Tax season 2023. Leila is working with the Village attorney to figure out if the taxes and water, sewer & trash are collectable on a property which is under a bankruptcy case. Lastly, Leila informed the council that while she won’t be able to attend the October council meeting, her reports will be ready beforehand for the clerk to report on.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- The council discussed ongoing blight and dangerous buildings. President Katnik wished to form a committee for blight, and put himself, Chad Gaeth, and Brandt Gaeth on it.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Trick or Treating: **Motion** by B. Gaeth, seconded by C. Gaeth to set the Trick or Treating hours for the Village of Unionville for **Monday** Tuesday, October 31, 2023, from 5pm – 7pm. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.
- Motion** by B. Gaeth, seconded by C. Gaeth to approve the water, sewer, and trash disconnection for 6685 Center Street. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.

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- After a brief discussion on the committees the council decided to make minor changes; only for those who were present. **Motion** by C. Gaeth, seconded by Sting to move Sting to the ~~police-committee~~ parks committee, and B. Gaeth to the ~~parks-committee~~ police committee. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.

\*An updated committee list will be posted on the Village website and attached these minutes in the public spaces.

**POLICE:** Police Chief Bill Owens gave his report to the Council.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment received.

**ADJOURN:** **Motion** by B. Gaeth, second by C. Gaeth to adjourn the September 18, 2023, regular meeting at 9:03 pm. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. 3 Absent. Motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting: October 16, 2023, at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall.

Alexis J. Ortner  
Village Clerk