VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

January 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Donnie Harmon led attendants in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Fiscal Officer Heather Canan read roll call: all members listed below were present.

PRESENT

Tim Bryan, *Council president* Cheryl Byers, *Council member* Bob Williams, *Council member* Dan May, Council member
Jon Michael Shives, Council member

CITIZENS: Paula Harshbarger

GUESTS: None.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Parkman, *Village Administrator;* Jay Roberts, *Water Superintendent;* John Archey, *Zoning Officer;* Heather Canan, *Fiscal Officer;* Matt Pierron, *Solicitor*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mike Shives makes motion to approve minutes. Tim Bryan seconded it. Motion is passed and carried.

BILLS REVIEW:

Dan May makes a motion to pay the bills. Tim Bryan seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

Guest Speaker: None.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Citizen wants to know if something is going on with the water tower. Solicitor says he is going to bring his proposal to the table next month about a possible breach of contract with Leary Construction.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Harmon hopes to help make Gettysburg a better community, village and to make it a nice place to live. He let council know that he would not be making any changes to staff despite rumors. The mayor has also been approached about police protection. He wants us to contact the Sherriff's department to see how much it would cost to have someone cover the village and hopes to have a representative come to the next meeting. Harmon would also like the Lion's Club stuff out of Park storage. He would like to store other items there for the village. He would also like to purchase a bush hog.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Matt Pierron said that he is still looking into Leary Construction and trying to figure out what they were supposed to maintain at the water tower. He plans to bring a proposal to next month's meeting. He is also going over our zoning regulations and plans to meet with John and Susan to start updating the regulations. Cheryl asked to be a part of it since she is on the zoning board.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Susan Parkman let council know that she has called twice about the flower box from Darke County Parks. She is waiting on a call back. She cleaned all sewer drops today to get ahead of upcoming rain. With the fire departments help, she was also able to get all the Christmas lights down and put away. Parkman is also getting quotes for fireworks for 2020.

FISCAL OFFICER's REPORT: None.

OTHER REPORTS:

- **a.** Water/Sewer: Nothing.
- b. Park Board: Nothing.
- **c. Zoning:** John talked with Sam Force about the maintenance on 36. He said it is on the agenda to be taken care of. He has planned with meet with the solicitor, Parkman and Byers to look over zoning regulations.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance 2019-5 – Third Reading: An ordinance amending the rules and regulations governing the Gettysburg Municipal Water System. Bryan makes a motion to accept. Shives seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Bug A Boo Contract Cheryl Byers makes a motion to go into contract with Bug a Boo for \$150 per treatment. Bob Williams seconded it. Motion is passed and carried.
- 2. Rita Collections Rita is giving us an option on how to deal with pass due municipal tax. Council tables this to find out more information. Would like to know how much it would cost and if its practical to go after.
- **3.** Ordinance for Trash Cans? Byers wants to know if we need an ordinance to have trash cans taken in off the curb after pick up. Bryan wants to know why trash gets pick up later and later each week. The reason for the last late pick up was the truck broke down twice that day.
- **4.** Festival Finances Heather Canan let council know that there is untouched money in the youth fund. Mike Shives makes a motion to allow \$2000 to be used for the festivities planned at the park on June 27, 2020. Dan May seconded it. Motion is passed and carried.
- 5. Cardinal Center Harmon would like council to tour the school.
- 6. Grants Consultants The mayor read from the recent Dixon report that detailed changes that need to be made to bring the water tower up to code and other things that will need fixed in the future. Harmon would like Heather and Susan to look into finding a grant consultant to move forward with getting a new water tower and for street resurfacing projects.
- 7. Committee Heads Cheryl Byers and Tim Bryan are sworn in by the Mayor. After nominations and discussion, Tim Bryan is designated council president. Harmon discusses and directs council to their positions on various boards for the village.
- **8.** Purchase of Leaf Vacuum The mayor suggests to council that he would like to purchase a leaf vacuum for \$1800. May makes a motion to purchase the leaf vacuum for \$1800. Bryan seconded it. Motion is passed and carried.

Williams makes motion to adjourn meeting. Shives seconds it. Meeting ended at 8:35 p.m.

DONNIE HARMON, MAYOR	HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER