

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

January 11, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jon Michael Shives led attendants in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the special meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Valinda Hammons, *Council president*

Cindy Shives, *Council member*

Dan May, *Council member*

Bob Williams, *Council member*

ABSENT: Susan Parkman, Council member

CITIZENS: Tom Hill, Fire Department Chief

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE: Jay Roberts, *Village Administrator and Water Superintendent*; Heather Canan, *Fiscal Officer*

Council President Valinda Hammons swears Mayor Jon Michael Shives in for his new term. Mayor Shives swears in returning council member Dan May for his new term. Thank you for your service to our community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dan May makes a motion to approve December 2023 minutes. Valinda Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

BILLS IN REVIEW: May makes a motion to approve bills. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

GUESTS: Tom Hill, Gettysburg Fire Department Chief passes out their yearly report for 2023. He also updated council on new things they have done or are getting ready to purchase.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a. **Mayor's Report** – None

b. **Village Solicitor's Report** – Matt Pierron said he was on the fence with moving forward with 133 Dorwin, since it was going up for foreclosure. Council agrees to keep moving forward. Court date is scheduled for Feb. 18, 2024.

c. **Village Administrative Report** – Jay Roberts let council know that Max Wireless has been cancelled. New Era is the newest internet provider on the tower and are working out great. NKTelco (whom purchased Hometown Cable) has been giving Roberts the run around on signing a contract. Council said that Roberts can have them remove their equipment from the tower if they do not agree to contract and pay.

Roberts asks council for permission to look into pricing a new truck/salt spreader/plow for the village. He said he would like to sell 2 of the mowers, a leaf machine and plow. Pierron let us know that we could have to have an ordinance to get rid of government property. He will draw up an ordinance for the village. Council said he can get quotes for a different truck.

Roberts said that Access Engineering should know by Jan. 17, 2024 if we were awarded more monies toward the water tower.

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d. **Fiscal Officer Report** – None.

OTHER REPORTS:

- a. **Water/Sewer:** Roberts was happy to report that Randy Hicks is getting everything painted and looking like new at the water plant.
- b. **Park Board:** No meeting. May asks the Mayor to talk to the park board about adding gravel to the park to fill some of the holes holding water.
- c. **Zoning:** Roberts let council know that the next house he is concerned about. 111 W. Main Street. The chimney is separating from the house.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Hay Contract – Joshua Rolle was awarded the contract with the highest bid.
Out of town/sewer rates - He also said that he hasn't heard anything from the campground about water/sewer services.
Roberts also asked council if he is permitted to let Hicks do water tests every other weekend and when needed. Roberts let council know that Hicks is well versed in dealing with the water tests. Council approved.
2. Issues on Esther – Matt Pierron said he felt that calling the cops are the best option. After discussion, council asks Pierron if he could send a letter to the resident in hopes to prevent children from laying in the road and blocking traffic. Council is concerned for the welfare of our residents.

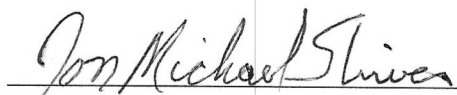
NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance 2024-1 – An ordinance to employ legal representation was tabled due to not having enough council members present.
2. New Harrison-Bradford/Adams Township Roadwork – Council did discuss seeing how much it would cost to pave the parking lot to coincide, if we decide to work together with Adams Township to have New Harrison-Bradford Road redone. This project could be slated for 2025. Roberts to find out more information.

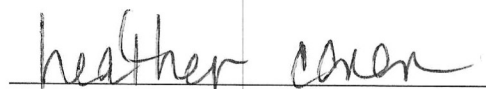
May brought up a raise for Heather Canan. Canan was told she would get a 5% raise in 2023. The raise was not discussed until now. It was passed on April 14, 2022. After discussion council said to pay back restitution since it was already approved. Canan will go back to April 2023.

Hammons makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cindy Shives seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

The meeting ends at 8:30 p.m.



JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR



HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER