

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

February 9, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

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

John Archey, *Council member*
Cindy Luedeke, *Council member*

Valinda Hammons, *Council member*
Bob Williams, *Council member*

ABSENT: Susan Parkman, *Council member*

CITIZENS: Mike Bowers, DCED, Tom Hill, Fire Chief

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

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

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Tom Hill, Gettysburg Fire Chief, passed out reports for their activity for 2022. Mike Bowers, Darke County Economic Development, updated us on upcoming projects they are working on.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. **Mayor's Report** – Mike Shives said that he is working on filling the vacant spot on council and we need to fill the council president position. There was questioning on what the correct procedure was for appointing a president. The mayor felt that since Valinda Hammons was the only one on council with 2 years and was ELECTED into her position she was our only candidate for council president. Luedeke made a motion to appoint Valinda Hammons to council president. Archey seconded it. Motion is passed and carried.
- b. **Village Solicitor's Report** - None
- c. **Village Administrative Report** – Jay Roberts let council know that the sewer project should be starting soon. He is happy to say that it will eliminate two lift stations.
- d. **Fiscal Officer Report** – None

OTHER REPORTS:

- a. **Water/Sewer:** See Village Administrator Report
- b. **Park Board:** The mayor attended the park board meeting.
- c. **Zoning:** Roberts had one issue he addressed. He went to the owner of the property which has had trouble with the renter. Roberts sent them a letter and two days later they had the property cleaned up.

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Old Business

1. Ordinance 2022-8 – An ordinance amending trash rates for the residents of the Village of Gettysburg – Third Reading – Hammons makes a motion to accept third reading. Archey seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

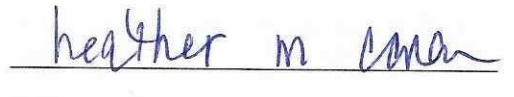
New Business

1. Open Council Seat – Tabled until next meeting
2. Bug a Boo Contract – Luedeke makes a motion to approve Bug a Boo contract. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
3. Fireworks – Archey makes a motion to cancel fireworks due to the closure of Norcold. Luedeke seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
4. Employee – Roberts suggests to council to hire Devin Fryman for 30 hours a week for all year long with no Summer help. Archey wanted a guarantee that, Roberts wouldn't come back this summer wanting more help. Roberts guaranteed it. He said he would step in to help if needed. The mayor says to bring the ordinance to the next meeting. Jay thanked council.

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

The meeting ends at 7:55 p.m.


JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR


HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER