

# VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

February 8, 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*

Bob Williams, *Council member*

Susan Parkman, *Council member*

**ABSENT:** Jay Roberts, *Village Administrator & Water Superintendent*, Dan May, *Council member*

**CITIZENS:** Mike Bowers, Darke County Economic Development

**ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE:** Heather Canan, *Fiscal Officer*; Matt Pierron, *Solicitor*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Valinda Hammons makes a motion to approve January 2024 minutes. Cindy Shives seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

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

**GUESTS:** Mike Bowers, DCED, stop by to give us an update of what he learned about the Norcold building and property. He said that the building will be going up for sale but they are trying to see if they will separate the building from the land. There are 90 tillable acres.

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. **Mayor's Report** – None
- b. **Village Solicitor's Report** – Matt Pierron updated council on his recommendation with dealing with the issues on Esther Street. He said that it is not a village problem and he doesn't see it as a liability to the village. He also let council know that when determining water rates for outside the limits of the village, the water rates cannot be any higher than 10% of the intown rates.
- c. **Village Administrative Report** – Absent
- d. **Fiscal Officer Report** – Heather Canan let council know that there will be a finance meeting prior to the next council meeting. Susan Parkman and Hammons agreed to be on the Finance committee.

## OTHER REPORTS:

- a. **Water/Sewer:** None.
- b. **Park Board:** Next meeting will be March 4, 2024 at 7 p.m. at the park
- c. **Zoning:** None.

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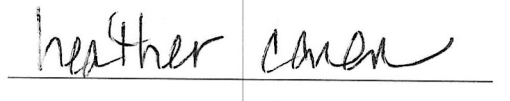
## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Committee designations:  
**Zoning** – Susan Parkman  
**Finance** – Valinda Hammons, Susan Parkman  
**Street Committee** – Dan May, Mike Shives
2. Water tower color choice, lettering choice – Parkman makes motion to use Pillar White for the water tower with Safety Red lettering, “Gettysburg”. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
3. **Ordinance 2024-01** – An ordinance to employ legal representation for the Village of Gettysburg, Ohio and declaring an emergency. This was tabled due to not enough members present to vote.
4. **Resolution 2024-1** - A resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose – Parkman makes a motion to authorize sale of 2 mowers, leaf machine and plow. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
5. **Ordinance 2024-2** – An ordinance amending the rate structure and fees for water service for the residents of the Village of Gettysburg – Tabled. Council would like Canan to fix wording in ordinance.

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

The meeting ends at 7:46 p.m.

  
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JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR

  
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HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER