

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

March 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.

Valinda Hammons, *Council President* John Archey, *Council member*
Susan Parkman, *Council member* Bob Williams, *Council member*
Dan May, *Council member*

ABSENT: Cindy Luedeke, *Council member*

CITIZENS: Paula Harshbarger, Mike Bowers, DCED; Corey King, New Era

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

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

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: A citizen wanted to know if there was anything new going on with Norcold. Dan May asked if anyone met with Norcold. No one has talked with anyone from Norcold or can they get ahold of the owners of the building. The mayor said they have tried to reach out to Norcold with no avail. Mike Bowers, Darke County Economic Development, stopped in to see if anyone else had filled out their form with projects they would like to see in the village. Bowers also stated that they have tried to reach out to Norcold as well. Corey King, New Era Broadband, approached council with putting his equipment on the water tower and offering internet and Wi-Fi to the village. The mayor and council agreed to talk about it.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. **Mayor's Report** – Mike Shives swore Dan May in to take over the vacant position on council. He was welcomed back. May, Shives and John Archey's positions will be open for election this year.
- b. **Village Solicitor's Report** - None
- c. **Village Administrative Report** – None
- d. **Fiscal Officer Report** – Heather Canan let council know that a finance meeting to go over the budget was held. Valinda Hammons, Dan May, Jay Roberts, Mike Shives, John Archey and Paula Harshbarger were in attendance.

OTHER REPORTS:

- a. **Water/Sewer:** Roberts gave council a sheet with a proposed ordinance about replacing water meters. He wants to create a more specific ordinance that specifies that home owners will have to pay for a new water meter if it isn't maintained like it should be.
- b. **Park Board:** No meeting

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- c. **Zoning:** Roberts said we have several properties with junk all over. Devin Fryman will be setting up dates to bring a dumpster in, with encouragement and hope to the properties that really need cleaned up. There are plans to give one last warning before having a van towed for ongoing violations. Parkman brought up a car on the street with expired tags that has been sitting there for some time and Archey mentioned a truck with a flat tire that's been sitting. Council told Jay they want him to have the vehicles towed if they do not comply.

Old Business

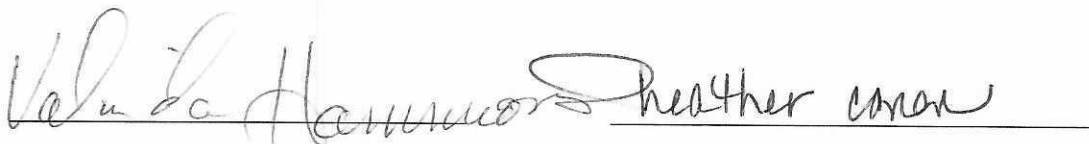
1. Open Council Seat – See Mayor's report.

New Business

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 2023-1** AN ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND THE EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 and *declaring it an emergency*
Archey makes a motion to approve first reading. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
Williams makes a motion to suspend the rules and give second and third readings by title only. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
Parkman makes a motion to adopt the ordinance as an emergency measure. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
2. **ORDINANCE 2023-2** - CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG, OHIO, AND FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF PART-TIME STREET COMMISSIONER/GROUNDS KEEPER
Parkman makes a motion to give Fryman \$1.50 raise with one week of paid vacation and set hours with flexibility. Archey seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
3. **ORDINANCE 2023-3** - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR AND MAYOR OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG, DARKE COUNTY, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE GETTYSBURG RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. FOR FIRE, EMERGENCY AND RESCUE SERVICES, and *declaring an emergency*
Parkman makes a motion to approve first reading. May seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
Parkman makes a motion to suspend the rules and give second and third readings by title only. Williams seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
Hammons makes a motion to adopt the ordinance as an emergency measure. Parkman seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

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

The meeting ends at 8:17 p.m.



JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR

HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER