

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

March 14, 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*

Susan Parkman, *Council member*

Mayor Shives swore in new council member George Kenworthy.

CITIZENS: Mike Bowers, Darke County Economic Development; Terry Robinson, Fielders; Robert Hartzell, citizen

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Susan Parkman makes a motion to approve February 2024 minutes. Valinda Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

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

GUESTS: Mike Bowers, DCED, stopped by to say they are still working with Norcold trying to get them to separate the land and the building.

Bob Hartzell, a citizen who recently purchased a new property in the village, feels like he should not have to pay the outstanding utilities bill and assessments that were sent to the county last year. After Parkman felt they were overcharged \$150, council took \$150 mowing charge off his bill. They also did not feel this was a village issue and told him that is all they could do for him at this point.

Terry Robinson, representing the Fielders, thanked council and told him how much they appreciate using the ball diamonds. He did have a request that we have two outside restrooms. Council let Heather know to order 2 restrooms for this year.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a. **Mayor's Report** – None

b. **Village Solicitor's Report** – None

c. **Village Administrative Report** – Jay Roberts let council know he is going to attend a grants meeting the following week. He hopes to learn of more monies that may be available for the village. Roberts also received a quote to see what it would cost to pave the parking lot at the park. He was very surprised by the quote of \$102,000. He also let council know that the equipment being sold will be listed on GovDeals soon. He also received a quote for a new truck at \$76,000. He noticed a couple things wrong on the quote so he is still looking into it. Roberts also let council know that the contract for Lazy R's is being reviewed. After going around and around

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with NKTelco they are to be sending a contract and paying the village money they owe for use of the tower.

- d. **Fiscal Officer Report** – Heather Canan let council know that the finance committee met and went over 2024 appropriations.

OTHER REPORTS:

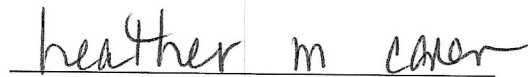
- a. **Water/Sewer:** Roberts asked council what their final thoughts were on the cardinal that was mentioned for the water tower. Council agreed it was too expensive and decided to not have it put on the water tower.
- b. **Park Board:** None
- c. **Zoning:** Roberts let council know that the chimney at 111 W Main, is pulling further and further away from the house and wants to ask the solicitor how the village should handle this possible hazard. Parkman said she would like to get going on zoning issues around the village. She would also like her and Roberts to go to an Adams Township meeting.

Parkman makes a motion to adjourn the meeting due to tornado sirens going off in town. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

The meeting ends at 7:40 p.m.



JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR



HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER