

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

April 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

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

PRESENT

Cheryl Byers, *Council president*

Valinda Hammons, *Council member*

Bob Williams, *Council member*

Cindy Luedeke, *Council member*

Susan Parkman, *Council member*

John Archey, *Council member*

CITIZENS: Tom Hill, Terri Wehrley

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Cheryl Byers makes a motion to approve March minutes. Susan Parkman seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

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

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC: Tom Hill, Fire Chief, turned in reports of how many runs they made last year. Terri Wehrley informed council of an upcoming Volunteer work day for the cemetery. She is looking for volunteers that would want to help out and beautify the cemetery before Memorial Day. The owner, Aaron Overhouser, of the new purchase of the Petersime property on Bridge street dropped in to introduce himself and what his business is all about and looks forward to coming into town. Roberts let him know he would get back with him when he can find out more about what needs to be done.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Jay Roberts notified council that the water tower is leaking. Craig Knapke gave some names to call to see what we can do about the leak. He wondered if we could patch it from the outside until we can get a new water tower. He also shared that someone has purchased land on Bridge Street and they would like to put their business there. The issue is there is no sanitary sewer there. We must find out who is responsible to get the sewer from the house to the sewer main. Currently they have no access to sewer. He is going to contact Access Engineering to see what our options are. Roberts also explained how a gravity line works. He also said that he was recently in 260 Main (the old school) and he said they were doing big things inside. They were also waiting on a meter but stated that they needed a different size than what was ordered. He said the new meter will cost around \$1700. The Brickler property is having storm sewer issues as well as Osa Maxwell's property. Summer help will be able to start May 25th.

Susan Parkman makes a motion to hire two for summer help to work 8 a.m. to Noon and no Sundays. Cindy Luedeke seconds it. Motion is passed and carried. Parkman also felt that the Street Supervisor should make more than the summer help. Council said there is room for a raise.

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OTHER REPORTS:

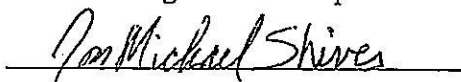
- a. **Water/Sewer:** Nothing going on at the water plant.
- b. **Park Board:** The mayor said they were planning on getting cork strips to hang in the Valentine building so renters could hang stuff on the walls. It is time to apply for Darke County Parks grants. Parkman said we need to delegate the job to get quotes for gravel and a new air conditioner. The Mayor said he would take care of it.
- c. **Zoning:** Byers said they have talked about a couple properties that need attention.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Village Pay – Byers made a motion to pay Roberts an additional \$350 a month for his position as zoning officer. Luedeke seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
2. R.I.T.A Delegates – Luedeke makes a motion to have Canan as the delegate and Parkman the alternate. John Archey seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
3. Christmas décor – Luedeke makes a motion to spend up to \$2500 on Christmas decorations this year. Parkman seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
4. Water bill policy – There was discussion of no longer putting up the \$25 blue tickets before turning off water. Council felt that we should post the blue tickets, so things will stay the same.
5. Garage sale dates – June 23, 24, 25, 2022
6. Resolution 2022-2 – A resolution authorizing an application to Darke County for the CDBG Community developing allocation program for the funding of Village WTP Gravity Sanitary Sewer project and declaring an emergency. Byers makes a motion to suspend the three-reading rule. Parkman seconds it. Motion is passed and carried. Byers makes a motion to approve the resolution. Williams seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
7. Ordinance 2022-4 – An ordinance designating Greenville National Bank as official depository of active and inactive monies of the village for five years, and declaring an emergency. Byers makes a motion to suspend the three-reading rule. Hammons seconds it. Motion is passed and carried. Byers makes a motion to accept Ordinance 2022-4. Luedeke seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
8. Ordinance 2022-5 – An ordinance establishing a pay increase for the Village Fiscal Officer and declaring it an emergency. Byers makes a motion to suspend the three-reading rule. Luedeke seconds it. Archey votes no. Motion is passed and carried. Parkman makes a motion to give the fiscal officer a \$500 raise, this includes \$250 a month for water billing and a promise of a minimum 5% raise in 2023. Luedeke seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

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

The meeting ends at 9:12 p.m.



JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR



HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER