

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING

May 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

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

Mayor Lance read roll call: all members listed below were present.

PRESENT

Jason Lance, <i>Mayor</i>	Karla Harmon, <i>Council president</i>
Dan May, <i>Council member</i>	Cheryl Byers, <i>Council member</i>
Robert Williams, <i>Council member</i>	Jon Michael Shives, <i>Council member</i>
Tim Bryan, <i>Council member</i>	Matt Pierron, <i>Solicitor</i>

ABSENT: John Archey, Zoning Officer

CITIZENS: Tom Bowman, Paula Harshbarger

GUESTS: Deann Wiggington- Best Way Disposal

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes April 2019: Karla Harmon makes motion to approve minutes, Tim Bryan seconds the motion. Motion is passed and carried.

BILLS REVIEW

Karla Harmon makes a motion to pay the bills. Tim Bryan seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.

Guest Speaker: Kelly Ormsby, Prosecuting Attorney, explained the process of his job.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Paula Harshbarger wanted to know how many people were mowing and to complain about Best Way trash removal and pick up of recyclables.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Jason Lance said he had an upcoming meeting for potential economic development.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Susan Parkman needs to inform Craig Knapke of what land we would have available for a new water tower. It was decided that the tennis courts would be a great place for a new tower as long as it offers enough space. Susan also informed council that we would eventually need new mowers. One of the Hydrostat mowers recently needed a new drive shaft put in. The Mary Street project still needs trenches filled and will be started as soon as the new tractor comes in.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Heather Canan informed council that it was agreed with Roger Hess that the village would not hire him. He didn't want to have to pay into retirement or have taxes taken out.

OTHER REPORTS:

- a. **Water/Sewer:** The salt tanks cannot be cleaned for at least 4 months. Until then, we will only get a half load of salt so it isn't wasted when it's time to be cleaned.

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- b. Park Board:** Susan represented the park and said that the letter that was given to the park board was not well received and they wanted to know how much money the village would chip in for new mulch. Susan doesn't think we will be able to have the new mulch done by June 29.
- c. Zoning:** Cheryl represented the zoning board since John Archey was absent. She said that 4 letters had been sent out for zoning violations and that we were waiting for 2 to be returned. She said John has made an impact on how well the town is looking. Matt said he is unable to represent the village in these cases if they go to court. He will look into finding a prosecutor for the village to use. Matt said he will go ahead and prepare the 30-day notice.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Karla Harmon made a motion to purchase mulch to finish the park and pay for it from the park fund. Mike Shives seconded it. Motion in passed and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Council discussed issues with Best Way Trash Removal. Over the last couple of years, drivers were picking up any cans set out for trash. Recently they have stopped doing that. Deann Wiggington of Best Way said that it has always been their policy to only pick up Best Way containers. Council decided to table any decisions about Best Way until next month.
2. Cheryl Byers wanted to discuss policing options for the village. Jason explained different options they looked into the past.
3. Tim Bryan makes a motion to accept the mid-term budget. Mike Shives seconded it. Motion is passed and carried.
4. Karla Harmon makes a motion to adopt the Darke County Hazard Mitigation 5-year plan. Cheryl Byers seconded it. Second reading.

Mike Shives makes motion to adjourn meeting. Tim Bryan seconded it. Meeting ended at 8:55 p.m.

JASON D. LANCE, MAYOR

HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER