

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGSMinutes of **VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING** Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held May 10, 2018**CALL TO ORDER**

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

Fiscal Officer/Village Administrator Jesse J. Berry called roll.

PRESENT:

Jason Lance, <i>Mayor</i>	Jon Michael Shives, <i>Councilmember</i>
Karla Harmon, <i>Council President</i>	Jesse J. Berry, <i>Fiscal Officer/Village Administrator</i>
John Archey, <i>Councilmember</i>	
Tim Bryan, <i>Councilmember</i>	Matt Pierron, <i>Village Solicitor</i>

ABSENT: Chris Miller, *Councilmember*; Robert Williams, *Councilmember*

CITIZENS: Paula Harshbarger, Cheryl Byers, Michael Johnson Sr.

GUESTS: None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Parkman, *Assistant Office Administrator/Meter Reader*; Rocke Parkman, *Zoning Officer and Park Board Vice Chair*;

AGENDA REVIEW

No changes or additions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council read over the minutes of the April 12, 2018 Council Meeting. There were no questions or comments from Council. Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned to approve the minutes. Councilman Tim Bryan seconded. The motion carried and the minutes of the April 12, 2018 Council Meeting were approved.

BILLS REVIEW

Council read over the Payments Report for April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018. There were no questions or comments. Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned that payments made in the month of April 2018 be approved. Councilman John Archey seconded. The motion carried and expenditures for the month of April 2018 were approved.

GUEST SPEAKER

There were no guest speakers.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Villager Cheryl Byers asked who to contact regarding vacant properties and who takes care of them. A discussion about zoning and property maintenance ensued.

Assistant Office Administrator/Meter Reader Susan Parkman expressed concerns about people dumping trash into the recycling dumpsters by the Village Garage. A discussion ensued.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Lance informed attendants there will be a 5k Run on the day of fireworks this year. Lance also informed attendants the GFD will not be doing a parade this year. Mayor Lance

went on to express his hopes that the community would organize a community parade. Lance concluded by informing Council that he was getting quotes on security cameras for around the Village Office and Garage.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Mathew Pierron informed Council that the County wants to give 104 Auld St. to the Village of Gettysburg. Pierron went on to state that there are \$10,000 plus in back taxes and assessments; which would become the Village's responsibility. Pierron explained the way around the taxes and assessments would be to let the property go to Sheriff's Auction and hopefully get it cheap. Pierron then reminded Council that the property could auction at the same, or even higher, cost than the back taxes and assessments. Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned to wait and purchase the property at Sheriff's Auction. Councilman John Archey seconded. **Roll Call:** Karla Harmon - yes; John Archey - yes; Tim Bryan – abstained; Jon Michael Shives - yes; and there were not enough votes to approve purchasing 104 Auld St. at auction.

FISCAL OFFICER/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Fiscal Officer/Village Administrator Jesse Berry read from his report. Berry commented on the flower beds recently installed in front of the Village Office; crediting Susan Parkman, Cheryl Byers, Michael Johnson Sr. and Councilman John Archey. Berry then mentioned landscaping plans for the Gettysburg Memorial Point. Berry then went on to update Council on Arts Week donations from local business. A small discussion ensued. Berry also commented on the problem with Villagers putting trash in the recycling bins, further insinuating they (he and other Village personnel) are aware of who some of the culprits are. Berry stated it was sad that one of these particular Villagers come to Council meetings regularly, in guise of a 'concerned and caring' citizen who wants to 'help' the community, but won't comply with certain ordinances and resolutions, who will constantly attack the Village administration on social media, and do things like put their trash in a county provided recycling dumpster, and has been known to dump trash and waste in the woods adjacent to the Council House.

OTHER REPORTS:

Water/Sewer: None

Zoning: Zoning Officer/ Park Board Vice Chair Rocke Parkman gave details on some of the property owners he's contacted, and what he'd contacted them for.

Streets: None

Finance Committee: None

PDI: None

ADA/Hospitality: None

Park Board: Zoning Officer/ Park Board Vice Chair Rocke Parkman gave an update on the Hayfield Contract progress with Kraig Peters.

Records Commission: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Resolution 2018-10 Accepting The Amounts and Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission And Authorizing The Necessary Tax Levies And Certifying Them To The County Auditor** – for third reading and approval. There were no additional questions or comments. Councilman Tim Bryan motioned to approve Resolution 2018-10. Councilman John Archey seconded. **Roll Call:** Karla Harmon - yes; John Archey - yes; Tim Bryan – yes; Jon Michael Shives - yes; and Resolution 2018-10 was approved.

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2. **Hay Field Lease** – Discussed during Park Board report.
3. **Employee Policy Manual** – See new business.
4. **Board of Tax Review** — tabled

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **ORDINANCE NO 2018-08 An Ordinance Adopting A Policy And Procedure Manual For Village Of Gettysburg Employees And Declaring An Emergency** – for discussion and approval. There were no additional questions or comments. Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned to suspend the three reading rule. Councilman John Archey seconded. **Roll Call:** Karla Harmon - yes; John Archey - yes; Tim Bryan – yes; Jon Michael Shives - yes; and the three reading rule was suspended. Councilman Tim Bryan motioned to approve Ordinance 2018-08. Councilman Jon Michael Shives seconded. **Roll Call:** Karla Harmon - yes; John Archey - yes; Tim Bryan – yes; Jon Michael Shives - yes; and Ordinance 2018-08 was approved.
2. **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-11 Resolution To Submit Application For Darke County Parks 2018 Community Parks Improvement Grant Program And Declaring An Emergency** – for discussion and approval. Fiscal Officer/Village Administrator Jesse Berry explained the resolution. There were no questions or comments. Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned to suspend the three reading rule. Councilman Tim Bryan seconded. **Roll Call:** Karla Harmon - yes; John Archey - yes; Tim Bryan – yes; Jon Michael Shives - yes; and the three reading rule was suspended. Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned to approve Resolution 2018-11. Councilman Jon Michael Shives seconded. **Roll Call:** Karla Harmon - yes; John Archey - yes; Tim Bryan – yes; Jon Michael Shives - yes; and Resolution 2018-11 was approved.
3. **Clean-up Day** – There was a discussion regarding another Village Clean-up day. It was decided the next Village Clean-up day would be June 16th.
4. **Yard Maintenance** – Councilman John Archey expressed concerns about Villagers blowing their cut grass into the street, and further expressed his desire the Village adopt an ordinance to stop residents from doing so. A discussion ensued.
5. **Executive Session** – Councilman Tim Bryan motioned to enter *Executive Session* for the purpose of *pending legal litigation*. Councilwoman Karla Harmon seconded. The motion carried and Council entered *Executive Session* at 8:15 PM. Council exited *Executive Session* at 8:55 PM

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Tim Bryan motioned that the May 2018 Council Meeting be adjourned. Councilman Jon Michael Shives seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.



JASON D. LANCE, MAYOR



JESSE J. BERRY, FISCAL OFFICER

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