

VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

August 10, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

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

Valinda Hammons, <i>Council president</i>	Cindy Luedeke, <i>Council member</i>
John Archey, <i>Council member</i>	Dan May, <i>Council member</i>
Susan Parkman, <i>Council member</i>	Bob Williams, <i>Council member</i>

CITIZENS: Nathaniel Roof, Gizzela Roof, Linda Archey, and Jeremiah Fries

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Susan Parkman makes a motion to approve July 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.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Citizens wanted to discuss the disrespectful kids in town. They are tired of the destruction, trespassing, tormenting and loud music. They said recently someone took donated tomatoes from the post office and smashed them all over. After discussion, Chance Cox, solicitor, said he will follow up to see if auxiliary sheriffs were coming back. His other suggestion was to call the law for nuisance. He said he would also get with the prosecutor's office to see what else can be done.

Parkman thanked Jay Roberts for getting the weeded mess behind her house taken care of. Council was grateful that the owner complied with the village ordinance.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. **Mayor's Report** – None
- b. **Village Solicitor's Report** – None
- c. **Village Administrative Report** – Roberts let council know that the insurance claim we put in for the park did not go through. He said we could take awarded money to purchase what we need for the ball diamonds.
He has talked to Kraig Knapke with Access Engineering and they are finalizing plans for the water tower.
Hometown cable has been purchased by another company, NKTELCO and they have updated their equipment on the water tower. New Era has also completed their installation on the water tower.
Roberts also stated that he has other people interested in using village property for farming. He said that he will be putting it up for bid.
- d. **Fiscal Officer Report** – None.

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OTHER REPORTS:

- a. **Water/Sewer:** Roberts said that he had Artesian come in because of salt issues and they had to rebuild a set of valves.
- b. **Park Board:** The board doesn't have too much going on. Just finishing up the mulch at the park and waiting on the new Lola the snail for the park.
- c. **Zoning:** Roberts said that 133 Dorwin has been turned over to the solicitor. The owner refuses to answer calls, call back or accept his certified letters. Before the meeting ended, John Archey pointed out properties in town that are violation and he would like them to be addressed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Children's safety – Dan May wanted to know if there was something the village could do to keep kids from playing in the streets, especially around corners. His fear is someone is going to get hit. Cox suggested looking at the Ohio Revised Code.

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

The meeting ends at 8:26 p.m.

JON MICHAEL SHIVES, MAYOR

HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER