

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

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held _____

August 17, 20¹⁷_____**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 Jesse J. Berry called roll.

PRESENT: Jason Lance, *Mayor*; Karla Harmon, *Council President*; Chris Miller, *Councilmember*; Norman Warner, *Councilmember*; Robert Williams, *Councilmember*; John Archey, *Councilmember*; Tim Bryan, *Councilmember*; Jesse J. Berry, *Fiscal Officer*; Matt Pierron, *Village Solicitor*

ABSENT: None

CITIZENS: Paula Harshbarger, Michael Harshbarger, Susan Parkman, Roche Parkman, Elizabeth Lance, Patsy Riley, Brett Clark

GUESTS: Karie Novesl

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: None

AGENDA REVIEW

Mayor Lance read over the agenda. There were no questions or comments. Councilman Chris Miller motioned to approve the agenda; Councilman Bob Williams seconded, and the August 17, 2017 agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council read over the minutes of July 13, 2017. There were no questions or comments from Council. **Motion:** Norman Warner motioned to approve the minutes. Councilman Chris Miller seconded and the minutes of the July 13, 2017 Council Meeting were approved.

Council read over the minutes of the July 27th Special Council Meeting. There were no questions or comments from Council. **Motion:** Councilwoman Karla Harman motioned to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2017 Special Council Meeting. Councilman Tim Bryan seconded and the minutes of the July Special Council Meeting were approved.

BILLS REVIEW

Council read over the Payments Report for July 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017. There were no questions or comments. **Motion:** Councilman Chris Miller motioned that payments made July 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017 be approved. Councilwoman Karla Harmon seconded and expenditures for the month of July 2017 were approved.

GUEST SPEAKER

Karie Novesl, representative from Hylant Group, went over the new Ohio Plan Insurance policy for the Village, and then opened the floor to questions or comments. There were some questions regarding Cardinal Center coverage which Novesl answered.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Citizen Paula Harshbarger asked about trees that were recently cut down at the Cardinal Center and when the brush would be removed. Fiscal Officer Berry updated all in attendance on the tree and brush removal efforts. Harshbarger then asked what was happening on Zerber Rd. A small discussion ensued. Harshbarger also requested an update on combining the Fiscal

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Officer and Village Administrator positions. Solicitor Mathew Pierron update attendants on that effort.

Citizen Brett Clark questioned a Council vote regarding 2017 appropriations. Clark went on to question some of the previous Council Meeting minutes and actions of Council. Fiscal Officer Berry pointed out to Clark that his (Clark's) lawyer came to a recent Council Meeting and already asked those questions and made those comments. Berry went on to state Clark's questions and comments were already answered and addressed. Solicitor Pierron also addressed Clark, reminding him that the issues Clark was calling into question were being corrected; as was told to his (Clark's) lawyer at the recent Council Meeting.

Citizen Patsy Riley asked about an open zoning violation case on her street. Fiscal Officer Berry and Solicitor Pierron update attendants on the ongoing legal process regarding that open zoning violation, as well as other open zoning violation cases. Riley also brought up the subject of law enforcement in the Village and the need thereof. A small discussion ensued.

Citizen and local business owner Rocke Parkman commented on the need for residents of Gettysburg to be more positive in the way they speak of the Village, the Administration and their efforts, and their fellow Villagers. Parkman then went on to address citizen Brett Clark directly, stating it was inappropriate for Clark to use his knowledge in such negative ways; in ways that could hurt the Village instead of helping the Village. Parkman concluded by stating everyone should be working together to improve the Village.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Lance made some additional comments regarding the Zerber Road properties and law enforcement in the Village.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Mathew Pierron restated his update on the combination of the Fiscal Officer and Village Administrator positions, as well as some other issues he was working on rectifying for Gettysburg; concluding that most of the issues would be fixed by, or in the next Council Meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER/VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Fiscal Officer Berry read over his report updating Council that the Checkbook program was still being developed for Gettysburg and that he would keep Council posted on the progress. Berry went on to brief Council on some minor personnel changes with the summer help. Berry also informed Council that he met with County Auditor Carol Ginn and others at a recent Budgetary Hearing to discuss the 2018 Tax Budget, and that there was going to be some funds added and/or changed in the near future to reflect a recent EMS/Ambulance levy that was implemented in Gettysburg. Berry also restated comments regarding Zerber Road, and informed Council that he recently attending a meeting at the County Health Department on the subject.

OTHER REPORTS:

Water/Sewer: nothing

Streets: Street Commission Chair and Councilman John Archey briefed attendants on a recent Street Commission meeting which involved the Commission taking an assessment of all Village roads and streets to determine which one's needed any repairs. Archey also informed attendants that several curbs (that should be painted yellow) throughout the Village were

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marked to be painted/repainted. Street Commission member Chris Miller added that they have a contractor ready as soon as curbs are prepped and the cost would be \$1500.00.

Councilwoman Karla Harmon motioned to approve the expenditure in the amount of \$1500.00 to have curbs painted. Councilman John Archey seconded and the \$1500.00 expenditure for curb painting was approved.

Storm Sewer: nothing

Finance Committee: nothing

PDI: nothing

ADA/Hospitality: nothing

Park Board: Park Chair and Councilman Chris Miller informed attendants that the Gettysburg Park District was awarded a grant to replace the mulch around the playground equipment at the park. Miller also told attendants of his efforts to get more volunteers to help manage the Cardinal Center in the same way the Park is getting managed.

Zoning Board— nothing

Records Commission—nothing

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Annexation of West Main Street Follow-up** — tabled
2. **Rental Registration Program Follow-up** — tabled

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Contract for Jesse J. Berry** - due to recent changes in job duties, Berry wanted to have a contract made up. Solicitor Pierron stated Berry's contract was one of the items he was preparing for next Council Meeting.
2. **Contract with Guabeaux and Brand Prosecuting Attorneys for the prosecution of zoning violations** – Councilman Norman Warner motioned to approve contract with Guabeaux and Brand Prosecuting Attorneys for the prosecution of zoning violations. Councilman Tim Bryan seconded and the motion passed.
3. **Resolution 2017-09 For the Advancement of Funds and Declaring an Emergency Due to Insufficient Balances in the School Fund 4901** - Councilman Chris Miller motioned to suspend the three reading rule; Councilwoman Harmon seconded. **Roll Call:** Norman Warner, yes; Karla Harmon, yes; Chris Miller, yes; Robert Williams, yes; John Archey, yes; Tim Bryan, yes. Councilwoman Harmon then motioned to approve Ordinance 2017-09; Councilman John Archey Seconded. **Roll Call:** Norman Warner, yes; Karla Harmon, yes; Chris Miller, yes; Robert Williams, yes; John Archey, yes; Tim Bryan, yes.
4. **Ordinance 2017-06 Amending Ordinance 2015-03 The Village of Gettysburg's Right to Abate, Enforce, and Notify Zoning and Ordinance Violators – Second Reading** – Councilman Chris Miller motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance 2017-06. Councilwoman Karla Harmon seconded. **Roll Call:** Norman Warner, no; Karla Harmon, yes; Chris Miller, yes; Robert Williams, yes; John Archey, yes; Tim Bryan, yes.
5. **Sheriff Outpost** – there was a small discussion on the idea of establishing an outpost at the Cardinal Center for the Darke County Sheriff to utilize.
6. **Crime Cameras in the Village** – there was brief discussion on the idea of posting crime cameras that would be accessible by law enforcement at strategic spots throughout the Village.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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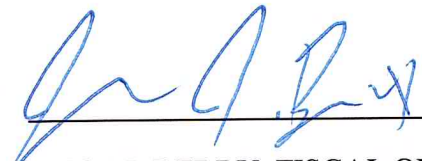
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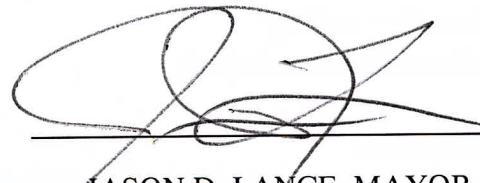
Councilman Tim Bryan motioned to enter *executive session* for the purpose of legal matters regarding possible impending litigation. Councilman Robert Williams seconded. **Roll Call:** Norman Warner, yes; Karla Harmon, yes; Chris Miller, yes; Robert Williams, yes; John Archey, yes; Tim Bryan, yes.

Council exited *executive session* at 9:55 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Norman Warner motioned that the Council Meeting be adjourned. Councilman Tim Bryan seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.



 JESSE J. BERRY, FISCAL OFFICER



 JASON D. LANCE, MAYOR