# VILLAGE OF GETTYSBURG COUNCIL MEETING

October 10, 2024

#### 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, Council president

Susan Parkman, Council member

Dan May, Council member

Bob Williams, Council member

Kelsey Chrisman, Council member

Cindy Shives, Council member

**CIZITENS:** Mike Bowers

GUEST: Susan Laux, Darke County Development Director

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Valinda Hammons makes a motion to approve minutes for September 12, 2024. Cindy Shives 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.

**COMMNETS FROM PUBLIC:** Mike Bowers let council know that there are a couple of leads on Norcold.. He also had questions about our zoning maps and wondered if we had moved ahead with the Community Reinvestment Act. He shared his opinion that we should do it.

**GUEST:** Susan Laux, Darke County Development Director, spoke with council about the fair housing, grants, lead safe Ohio improvements. She also said that the healthy aging program has a couple of openings for home improvements such as ramps and bathroom updates. After hearing discussion about the Community Reinvestment Act, she let us know that she has written those in the past and is willing to help our solicitor if needed.

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. Mayor's Report None
- b. Village Solicitor's Report None
- c. Village Administrative Report Jay Roberts let council know that we are still waiting on electric for the water tower.
- d. Fiscal Officer Report None

## **OTHER REPORTS:**

- a. Water/Sewer: Roberts said that service town inventory is almost complete but we have two years to complete it. A letter will be sent out with water bills informing properties that we are unsure of that they will be looked at.
- b. Park Board: None
- **c. Zoning:** Susan Parkman wanted to know what is going on at 231 Corwin. Cindy Shives and Parkman said that he has not stopped working on his property and wants to know why. Roberts said he will see

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what he can find out. He has heard that he has the property up for sale. There were questions about property near the lift station that has made a gravel parking lot for his cars. Roberts said he would look into it. Parkman had a complaint of minibikes in town and said they also had a hit and run to Rocke's vehicle.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Bradford sewer - Mayor Shives has talked to the solicitor about the contract. Matt Pierron said that the contract is solid and that they can do whatever they need to do with the rates. Mayor Shives would still like to go to a Bradford Council meeting to discuss the rates. Parkman and May agree to attend the meeting with him.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Trash bids Rumpke was the only one that put in a bid for trash. Parkman makes a motion to accept Rumpke's bid for 2025-2026. May seconds it. Motion is passed and carried.
- C. Shives makes a motion to adjourn meeting. Hammons seconds it. Meeting ends at 8:55 p.m.

HEATHER CANAN, FISCAL OFFICER