The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM and began roll call.

Roll call of those present:

Mayor: John Benshoff

Council members: Council President Randy Ramsthaler, Anne Ramsthaler, Dottie Scott, Krissy Kauf, Ariel Isaacs, Tina Killion absent.

Fiscal officer: Leighanna Cawrse

Operators: Tim Hickey present, David Pitsenbarger absent

Zoning Inspector: Patrick Miller

Meeting held via Facebook live.

### **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

### **MINUTES APPROVAL**

Dottie Scott moved to approve July 13, 2024 special meeting minutes as submitted. Krissy Kauf seconded the motion. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

Krissy Kauf moved to approve the August 12, 2024 regular meeting minutes with one correction on page two under Krissy Kauf Reports/Comments: remove "Teen Mobile" and change to "T- Mobile". Dottie Scott seconded the motion. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

### FISCAL – NEW BUSINESS

<u>M-T-D Check Register Report/Invoice Approvals</u>

Dottie Scott moved to approve the bills for August 2024 as presented by the fiscal officer. Ariel Isaacs seconded. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

<u>Fiscal Report M-T-D</u> Ending balance for August 2024 was read by Leighanna Cawrse.

### Fiscal Resolutions/Ordinance

# <u>Resolution Ashland County Solid Waste Plan Ratification</u> Randy Ramsthaler moved to read title only. Dottie Scott seconded the motion. No one opposed.

Resolution 09092024-A was read by Leighanna Cawrse "A resolution to Adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Ashland County Solid Waste Management District"

Dottie Scott moved to approve the Solid Waste Management Plan Resolution 09092024-A as presented by Leighanna Cawrse. Krissy Kauf seconded the motion. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed. Mayor John Benshoff signed as Appropriate Officer.

## **Resolution Authorizing Kroger Settlement**

Anne Ramsthaler moved to read the title only. Krissy Kauf Second the motion. No one opposed.

# COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

- Anne Ramsthaler
  - Waiving of Town Hall rental fee for book signing with former Assistant Fiscal Officer Brian Douglas on October 10, 2024 at 4:00pm. Anne and Randy will open/close the building and also prepare and clean up the building. No one opposed.
  - Received two complaints of yard wasted at 868 Willow Lane and is on village property.
    Is that something Patrick Miller would care of? Yes and Patrick will look into it.
  - Inquired about the addressing the one letter sent to all on council, mayor, and fiscal officer? John Benshoff responded that anyone they could come to a meeting.
    Leighanna also added that there was one request however no information on how to acknowledge receiving the letter or how to send the requested information back to the requestor. The rest of the letter was venting about certain individuals on council and the fiscal officer.
- Randy Ramsthaler-
  - Aqua Doc treated the lake for the twelfth time this year.
  - Provided a list Randy wrote of "Item's Council Needs to Consider" before proceeding:
    - Spending \$157,200.00 to resolve one resident's complaint?
    - Why was this project done and when was it completed?
    - What was spent completing it?
    - What did the project look like before (erosional damage) compared to now? And why is it now being classified as a emergency situation?
    - What is the estimated cost of digging a ditch and the complication's of it? Example, digging up resident's yards, obtaining permission.
- Dottie Scott-
  - The storm sewer drain project does not only affect one resident. Ariel added that the reason for the emergency for this is the road is caving in and will become a huge issue in the future if it is not addressed. The pipe also needs to be removed per the request of the property owner.
  - Reminder no longer doing the cross guard for trick-or-treat

- Need to discuss about the sewer extension on Lake Drive and getting it done prior the UV improvement project starting October 1<sup>st</sup>. Ariel discussed the following:
  - The three houses will be the last three to connect into the manhole that go to the new trash trap.
  - Mr. & Mrs. Isaacs, owners of one of the three properties involved, is not opposed to an easement on property 216A, however would like it in writing.
  - The three houses would have to pay for new sewage lines to connect to the manhole however the owners were not made aware of this until recently. There were verbal conversations with each of the homeowners but no letters were sent out.
  - There are other options that could be done and would not cost the village and/or homeowners a lot of money.
  - Dottie suggested a letter should be sent out to the homeowners and provide information the village is putting in a new sewer line and the homeowners will have to come to the new line and is their responsibility.
- $\circ$   $\;$  What is Patrick's job description and an update on the violation letters.
  - Patrick response (3) certified letters went out. None were signed by the owners therefore went and hand delivered them and spoke with them about the violations.
  - Recently received another complaint and will be working on that.
  - Continuing to work on the vacant house on Helen Street. Spoke with the Health Department and they could not do anything. Contacted the land bank and County Auditors office. Still trying to find the homeowner to make contact with them.
- Krissy Kauf-
  - The plastic renews today and working with Cindy to get it weighted and to Meyers.
  - The record request from Mrs. Killion has it been replied to? Leighanna responded soon.
- Tina Killion- Absent
- Ariel Isaacs-
  - Contacted local/surrounding cities about their chicken ordinance.
  - Playground in Ashland by the soccer field was through donation only from different businesses. We could start looking into something simple and contacting companies.

# MAYOR REPORTS/COMMENTS

 John provided council with an estimate from Deadman Contracting, LLC. to run the storm sewer drain on Wesley Road (east side) to Center Street. The phase 1 estimate of \$20,236.60 and drawing provided at the meeting. The project would start September 21<sup>st</sup> and be completed September 29<sup>th</sup>. The village would pay for the material and equipment totaling \$10,604.60, this does not include material for asphalt to patch the road. There would be

additional cost to repair the cut road portions of the road with either concrete or patch the road with asphalt.

Ariel Isaacs made a motion to proceed with phase 1 estimate from Deadman Contracting, LLC. Krissy Kauf seconded the motion. Roll call: Randy Ramsthaler no, Anne Ramsthaler no, Ariel Isaacs yes, Dottie Scott abstain, Krissy Kauf yes, John Benshoff yes to break the tie.

- Spoke with the Engineers on the UV project and the contractor. The contractor will be bringing in materials and equipment soon.
- Linda Ramsey sold her property that is adjacent to John's property and would like to split the parcel no. A03-094-0-0014-00 and this parcel would be purchased by John Benshoff.

Dottie Scott made a motion to approve the lot split. Anne Ramsthaler seconded.

Roll call: Randy Ramsthaler yes, Anne Ramsthaler yes, Ariel Isaacs yes, Dottie Scott yes, Krissy Kauf yes

# **OPERATORS REPORTS/COMMENTS:**

# August 2024

- Read meters
- Mowed dam at ST. RT. 250
- Repaired kitchen sink at Town Hall
- Moved plastic to water treatment plant
- Serviced treatment plants
- Performed monthly testing
- Met with John about storm sewer drainage on Wesley Road
- Shut-off two water meters
- Turned-on two water meters
- Worked on lead and copper report Presented outside water faucet cost and to install at Town Hall for landscaping beds. Estimate of \$200 for parts and labor.

Ariel Isaacs made a motion to proceed with installing a water facuet. Anne Ramsthaler seconded. Roll call: Randy Ramsthaler yes, Anne Ramsthaler yes, Ariel Isaacs yes, Dottie Scott yes, Krissy Kauf yes

# Town Hall- New Business

# <u>Event</u>

Trick or Treat will be on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00-7:30pm. Still need to get flares.

### Holiday Lighting Contest

Council was in general agreement to not doing the contest this year.

## October & November Meetings

Both regular meeting dates are on a holiday. October 14<sup>th</sup> will not move and November will be decided at the October meeting.

## Craft Show

Cancelled this year due to low participation.

### Water/Sewer/Wastewater Treatment Plant- New Business

Shut off dates for September to December Shut off dates will be:

- October 1st
- October 29th
- December 3rd
- December 30th

### Facebook Live comments

- What is happening with the lake water.
  - Response by another viewer on Facebook its been warm and the water is evaporating.
- There is still a vehicle parking a lot St. Rt. 250 at the lake.
  - Call the Sheriff's department
  - John mentioned will have to contact ODOT for approval to place and install no parking sign. The village will have to have an ordinance for this.
- Does the zoning person drive around the village actively looking for something or does someone report to the zoning inspector to investigate an investigation?
  - Response: zoning inspector receives a complaint and then acts on that complaint.
- How long ago was this estimate received by the village for the plugged drain rerouted?
  - Response: Tonight
- Why can't village council be informed of what's happening with the situations?
  - Response: Discussed earlier in the meeting.
- Maybe whoever made the complaint about grocery bags in the store basement could volunteer to help transport the bags.
  - Response: That would be nice but they were anonymous.
- Are there any other manhole currently in use that is not covered by an easement.
  - Response: Yes there are.

Since there was no further business Krissy Kauf moved to adjourn regular meeting. Dottie Scott seconded. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Fiscal Officer- Leighanna Cawrse