

**SARDINIA VILLAGE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING      DATE OF MEETING: JUNE 27, 2022**

Roll Call:

Bill North – Present  
Angela Lyons- Present

Dustin Puckett – Not Present  
Anna Turner – Present

James Schroeder – Present  
Peggy Vance - Present

**Mayor**

As of Wednesday June 22, 2022 Karen is no longer with the Village of Sardinia. She no longer wants to work with the Village of Sardinia any longer. Solicitor Tom Mays explained to council because this is the first Special meeting and we don't have that many special meetings that we can only talk about Fiscal Officer and Clerk position and Zoning Appeals Board that was on the topics of the special meeting. Mayor Townes stated that Bill North, Angela Lyons and herself interviewed for the position of Fiscal Officer and Utility Clerk doesn't know if we want to hire her for Fiscal Officer and Utility Clerk. Mayor Townes said that we need to do something because next week payroll will need to be done for the guys. Jim Schroeder asked do you have a candidate that the committee is recommending? Mayor Townes said Angel Hamlin. Anna Turner asked where is she from? Mayor Townes said she just moved to Sardinia. Anna Turner what position? Mayor Townes said for the Fiscal Officer and Clerk position. Anna Turner Wanted a little background on her? Mayor Townes stated that she has worked at budget, doing all of these collections, bank deposits, office duties, correspondence, she had done book keeping, truck inventory and tracking, scheduling, accounts payable, accounts receivable. Jim Schroeder asked Solicitor Tom Mays this position is Mayor's recommendation and council approval? Solicitor Tom Mays this is for Hiring and Termination for Fiscal Officer and Clerk Position it is Mayor's recommendation and Council approval. Jim Schroeder asked is she here for interview. Mayor Townes said no because she thought that interviewing was done by the three of them. He stated if we are going to vote on her I would like to meet her and ask her questions. Angela Lyons stated can we call her and see if she can come up here? Jim Schroeder said in other Townes he has been involved in that is the way is happened. Solicitor Tom Mays said it can be done three ways one way is the committee interviews and makes recommendations, second is committee interviews council interviews, and the other way the council does all of it. Mayor Townes said she was sorry that she was under the understanding that the committee was doing to interviewing. Jim Schroeder said that's okay let's go into executive session to discuss the hiring of this person. Jim Schroeder made a motion on going in executive session under 121.22 G1 in the Ohio Revised Code, and motioned Angela Lyons seconded with all Yeahs.

Executive session was from 6:34 p.m. till 6:47 p.m.

Jim Schroeder made a motion to come out of executive session, Peggy Vance seconded with all Yeahs. Mayor Townes asked if there were any actions by council on executive session. James Schroeder motioned to except Karen Millers resignation and to remove her from all village bank accounts, to hire Angel Hamlin at 18.00 an hour as fiscal officer and utilities clerk for the Village of Sardinia, to authorized Angel Hamlin on all of Sardinia Bank Accounts at Peoples Bank. Peggy Vance seconded that motion with all Yeahs.

Mayor Townes said that we need a Zoning appeals board we need one. Mayor Townes was going to let the Zoning Administrator explain. Jim Townes There is a company out of Portsmouth and West Union that has bought the house on Charles Street and Cherry Street it used to be a group home. The Company's name is The Counseling Center. They have already spent the money and renovated the place and applied to Clermont County. Clermont County will not approve it without a zoning approval from us. They had never applied for a zoning permit from us. It is zoned R2. Peggy Vance what is that and Jim Schroeder said residential. Jim Townes said as far as permitted uses for R2 you are allowed permitted uses in R1 and R2 but there is not specific for this type of facility. It is for housing for alcohol and drug, Mental. It is only for housing they will be taking them to West Union or Portsmouth for treatment. It is supposed to be staffed 24/7 with security. He cannot approve a permit. They would have to have a conditional use approval. We would have to have a zoning appeals board in place. Jim Schroeder asked if Ohio has pre-existing non-conforming? Tom Mays said he is not sure he would have to look. Tom said that our zoning appeals board that we did have but they have years ago. They are no longer on the board. Mayor told Council that the mayor nor Council are on the board. It is five residents of the Village of Sardinia. They approve it or deny it and we really have nothing to say about it. Jim Schroeder asked that Tom Mays be here because they are a protected class and denial could possibly bring a law suit to the village. Tom Mays said that through out ordinance and they are just using it for a house. Tom Mays says its going to be pretty hard to deny that. Jim Schroeder things the five people will need help and that Tom Mays needs to go. Angela Lyons asked if these are people here in Sardinia or other places. Tom Mays said that they didn't say. Jim Schroeder said that is part of the protected class

and you cannot ask that. Mayor Townes said she did not think that they will be Sardinia residents that is would be people from other places. Jim Schroeder said that if he had a drug and alcohol problem and he needed this kind of treatment they wouldn't put him five blocks from my house. Tom Mays said that part of the treatment is getting them away from where they were. Tom Mays said to answer your question he will answer affirmatively that it will not be Sardinia residents. Anna Turner said how many would this house? Jim Townes said that they did not tell him that. Jim Schroeder said that would come from Clermont County on how many they can have in the house. That would be one way to deny if they continue to have over capacity in the house, or if they had consistent arrest for drug and alcohol, they could lose their license over that. Jim Schroeder said we need to find five people that have pretty even keeled understanding of this. Jim Townes asked with a variance you have to notify the residents in so many feet? The applicant will have to do this. Jim Schroeder said this will be educating people. Mayor Townes said she has one person that she called that said they would do it. She wanted to know if they had any suggestions because they need five residents. Tom Mays said the point of this is the Mayor with Council will appoint five members and they will expire one a year that has to be put back on. You will appoint one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years. Anna Turner asked if they have to be residents of Sardinia. Mayor Townes said yes, they have to be a resident in the Village of Sardinia. Mayor Townes said that Ty Pack said he would be on the board. Jim Schroeder said that we need the five people that sees beyond just a piece of this. They will have to follow the solicitor's advice and if we don't, they could put the town in jeopardy. Jim Townes said that on the trailer park deal they came to council and it was an emotional and not what was outlined. Council has changed the zoning in small ways but that shouldn't be council either that should be planning commission. Tom Mays said we need to appoint that as well but, we need to do this first. Tom Mays says it calls for Planning Commission and Appeals Board. He said the Planning Commission they meet once or twice a year and review the zoning ordinance if any changes need to be done. Mayor Townes Commented that is the mayor, one Council and three residents. Jim Schroeder asked if there was a statue saying that if you don't have a Zoning Board that Council could, do it? Mayor Townes was trying to get a time to approve the minutes. Thursday at 8:00 a.m. Peggy Vance asked if there is a time frame on this Zoning Appeals? Jim Townes said they have to have the decision in 20 days. Mayor Townes said this has to be done quickly. Jim Schroeder motioned to adjourn Anna Turner second with all yeahs.

Passed 6/30/2022

  
Tina Coday Townes, Mayor

  
Angel Hamlin, Fiscal Officer