

Village of Chauncey Council Meeting on April 19, 2016

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER- The Council President, Joe Canter, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm at the Village Hall.

PLEDGE TO FLAG- Observed by all in attendance.

ROLL CALL- Taken by Fiscal Officer: Mayor Robert Matthey – Absent; Joe Canter-present; Larry Pierce- present; Teresa Cline-Scurlock-present; Ashley Campbell-present; Tammy Hawk- present.

APPROVAL OF BILLS- Village bills were reviewed by Council members. Moved by Larry Pierce and 2nd by Ashley Campbell that all be paid with regard to the following issues:

There was discussion regarding the issue of the bills being late and the Council incurring late fee penalties. The Solicitor stated that the Village is not responsible for the late fees as it is the Fiscal Officers job to ensure that all account payables are paid in a timely fashion. The Solicitor also stated that the late penalties could be assessed to the Fiscal Officer if the Council wished.

Councilwoman Ashley Campbell asked if there is an amount set on expenditures that needed to be approved. The Solicitor stated that the Ohio Statute allows the Village Administrator to spend up to \$25,000.00 without the approval of Village Council.

Councilwoman Ashley Campbell expressed concern with hotel bill for the Ohio Rural Water Association Conference being a large amount. Council would like more information on the bill before approving it. Council asked that Joe Canter look into this matter further and determine if the amount for the hotel for the conference is feasible.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- Previous month's meeting minutes and the special meeting minutes from the month of April were not approved at this time because Council would like more time to review them. They will be tabled to the next meeting. AIF passed.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER- The Financial Report was tabled to the next meeting so that Council had time to review it further. AIF passed.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS-

Motion was made by Teresa Cline – Scurlock to suspend the rules. The Motion was 2nded by Tammy Hawk.

Ordinance 2016-2 -Ordinance adopting the Ohio Basic Code as the code of ordinances for the Village of Chauncey; Motion made by Larry Pierce and 2nd by Tammy Hawk. AIF passed.

Resolution 2016-4 – Resolution Approving Replacement of Connor Swartz by Leslie Nicholson on Village Financial Accounts; Motion made by Larry Pierce and 2nd by Ashley Campbell. AIF passed.

Resolution 2016-5 – Resolution hiring legal counsel for the Village of Chauncey for the calendar years of 2016 and 2017; Motion made by Teresa Cline-Scurlock 2nd by Tammy Hawk. AIF passed.

NEW BUSINESS- It was determined that there was none at that time.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS-

Christopher Van Bergen for Smith Street addressed Council regarding a possible leak in the reservoir. He stated that there was a very large amount of water accumulating his and neighboring properties. Councilwoman Teresa Cine-Scurlock also stated that there is a large amount of water near her property and that the one property has a basement full of water. It was discussed and Councilman Larry Pierce stated that the reservoir was inspected by divers who side it was clear. Councilman Pierce also stated that he would ask the Village Administrator to look into the possibility of a leak. Councilman Joe Canter stated

that if a sample of the water to taken to him he would test the hardness to help determine if the water was from the reservoir was leaking or if the water was standing ground water.

Pastor Debbie Koons from the Hocking Valley Parish asked if the Parish could use the Village Park facilities for Vacation Bible School the week of June 6, 2016, to June 10, 2016, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Councilman Joe Canter stated that there is no water or restroom facilities at the park and the Pastor asked if it was feasible for the Parish to have a temporary restroom facility placed at the park. After discussion Council agreed that it would be ok for the temporary restroom facility to be placed there.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT- The Solicitor informed Council on the possibility of Solar electric. The Solicitor advises that it is very expensive running \$2,000 to \$40,000 per house and the 30 % tax credit would not be applicable to the Village. However, there are grants available through the National Renewable Energy Program, if Council determines to pursue this further.

MAYOR'S REPORT- None.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS-

Ashley Campbell- No matters to report.

Tammy Hawk- Asked if anyone had found out about the Bike Path that may spur into Chauncey.

Teresa Cline-Scurlock- No matters to report.

Larry Pierce-Clean up on May 7, 2016; Batemans will be set up for the clean up from 8 am to 11 am; The Village Administrator did received a \$20,000.00 grant to upgrade the electric at the Waste Water Plant. The Village may have to pay to change the transformers on the poles.

Joe Canter- No matters to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- None requested or needed.

ADJOURNMENT- At 6:45 PM, Ashley Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Larry Pierce. AIF passed.

APPROVED BY


Mayor Robert Matthey Date

RECORDED BY


Robert J. Shostak, Solicitor Date