

# Village of Chauncey Council Meeting on May 16, 2017

## Meeting Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER-** The Mayor, Robert Matthey, called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm at the Village Hall.

**PLEDGE TO FLAG-** Observed by all in attendance.

**ROLL CALL-** Taken by Fiscal Officer: Mayor Robert Matthey - present; Joe Canter- present; Larry Pierce- present; Teresa Cline-Scurlock-absent; Ashley Campbell-absent; Tammy Hawk- present; John Canter - present. There was a motion to excuse Teresa Cline-Scurlock as she is out of town by Joe Canter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Pierce. AIF

**APPROVAL OF BILLS-** Village bills were reviewed by Council members. It was moved for approval by Tammy Hawk and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Pierce, AIF passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES-** The April 19, 2017 meeting minutes were approved on Motion by Larry Pierce and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tammy Hawk, AIF passed.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER-** The Financial Report was reviewed by Council. There was a Motion to approve the Financial Reports by Tammy Hawk and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Canter, AIF passed. The Fiscal Officer, Leslie Nicholson notified Council of receipt of a letter from the Internal Revenue Service regarding tax year 2014. Leslie also told Council that while researching the current issue with the IRS it was found that from the year 2012 forward no fiscal officer filed form 940 with the IRS. Leslie states that she is actively working with the IRS to avoid any penalties and fines. Leslie also stated that she had received a letter from the Athens County Budget Commission regarding a difference in year-end balance for 2015 and the beginning balance of 2016 were different. Leslie states that she believes this is from the audit adjustments from 2014 and 2015.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS-**

None at this time

**NEW BUSINESS-** Council Member Joe Canter introduced Ordinance 2017-4. An Ordinance increasing the Sewer Rate's as of June 30, 2017 by 10 % per 1000 gallons of sewage. The Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Pierce.

**RESIDENTS COMMENTS-**

Ashley Miller of CCIC informed Council that they will be putting on a Bike Rodeo in conjunction with the Athens County Health Department. There have been approximately 60 helmets donated to distribute at the Bike Rodeo. The Bike Rodeo is planned for June 23 from 1 until 4. She asked that Council consent to the closing the portion of Sycamore Street from Route 13 to just past the Library for the purpose of the bike rodeo. Joe Canter moved to approve Council's consent and Tammy Hawk 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. AIF.

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT-**

The Village Administrator advised the following:

- Sewer Line Repair has been made
- Sewer liner will be place May 24, 2017
- Met with AEP regarding the update to the electric at the Sewer plant; AEP indicated that the pole the meter base sets on may need replaced.
- Received a bid on Paving Lexington Avenue and sealing Birge and Monroe Street for a cost of \$43,578.00.
- There was a discussion regarding if the Village needed to receive more bids on the Paving and Sealing because there is only being one contractor in the area that does this. Solicitor Shostak advised that he did not believe so

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT-** Solicitor Shostak advised that the transfer of monies from the Water fund to the Sewer Fund was approved. Solicitor also advised that the nuisance properties have been given to Keller Blackburn, Athens County Prosecutor, for prosecution.

**MAYOR'S REPORT-** Mayor notified Council that Sydney Eads had resigned with his last day being May 12, 2017. There was an ad put in the paper for the position of Assistant to the Village Administrator with several applicants. However, there was only one applicant that was able to meet the Class B CDL requirement. The Mayor reports that for that reason the Mayor extended an offer to Mark Sanders for a full-time position at \$13.00 per hour.

Joe Canter moved to approve the hiring of Mark Sanders, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from John Canter. There was a voice vote of AIF.

Mayor also reports that Chris Russell's 90 day probation will be ending so his pay will increase to \$16.00 per hour and he is allowed to use the \$500 clothing allowance.

Mayor also advised that there was 14 Clean-up Notices mailed and that the Railroad needs to be billed for the mowing on their property. The Mayor is also looking into a security system for the Village Hall because of the break in that happened in March.

Council also received a letter from Council Member Ashley Campbell notifying Council that she is unable to fulfill her duties as a Council member at this time.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS-**

Ashley Campbell- Absent

Tammy Hawk- Thank you Larry for stopping the Rumpke Trash Truck from driving down the Alley.

Teresa Cline-Scurlock- Absent

Larry Pierce- Mark Abdella still has a trash truck running down the alley.

Joe Canter- Asked if Council should have a special meeting for the reading on the Sewer Rate increase?

Joe Canter made a motion for there to be a Special Meeting on June 6, 2017, at 5:30 pm to discuss Sewer Rate Increases and the regular council meeting will be held on June 14, 2017, at 5:30 pm . This motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Canter. AIF

John Canter- None at this time

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**- None Needed

**ADJOURNMENT**- At John Canter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by , Larry Pierce. AIF passed.

APPROVED BY

RECORDED BY

  
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Mayor Robert Matthey    Date

  
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Leslie Nicholson, Fiscal Officer    Date