

Village of Chauncey Council Meeting on July 16, 2019

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER-The Mayor Robert Matthey called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM at Village Hall.

PLEDGE TO FLAG- Observed by all in attendance.

ROLL CALL- Taken by Fiscal Officer: Seat 1-Joe Canter present; Seat 2- Vacant; Seat 3-Tammy Hawk present; Seat 4- Amy Renner present; Seat 5- Larry Pierce present; Seat 6- John Canter, President of Council, present. There was an Amendment to the Agenda, so that Mayor Matthey may appoint Luke Phelps of 55 Ellis Ave, Chauncey, Ohio 45719 to Seat 2, as Mr. Phelps is a qualified candidate. The Mayor opened the floor for discussion, however there was none had. Mr. Phelps had no questions for Council, so Solicitor Shostak administered that Oath of Office to Councilmember Luke Phelps. Solicitor Shostak advised Mr. Phelps that his term on Council would expire on December 31, 2022.

APPROVAL OF BILLS- Village bills were reviewed by Council members. Moved by Larry Pierce and seconded by John Canter that the bills be paid. AIF passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)- Meeting minutes for May 21, 2019 Council Meeting were reviewed by Council. Moved by Tammy Hawk to approve the minutes; second by Amy Renner-AIF approved.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER- Financial report for June 2019 were provided to Council members for review. Moved by Larry Pierce to approve the Financial Report. Second by Tammy Hawk. AIF passed. Fiscal Officer has nothing to report.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS-

Resolution 2019-3 – A Resolution authorizing the Village of Chauncey to withdraw all funds currently on deposit with Hocking Valley Bank and to open a new depository account with Century National Bank .

Resolution 2019-4 – A Resolution allowing William Traugh to perform the duties needed to form and implement an Asset Management Program and a Valve Excise Program at the rate of \$15.00 per hour not to exceed \$1,000.00

Resolution 2019-5 – A Resolution giving all current employees a 2% increase in their hourly/salary rate.

NEW BUSINESS- None at this time.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS –

Sam Savage – Just moved to the here, but would like something done about the intersection of Route 13 and Sycamore St. between the bush and the sign it is hard to see to pull off of Sycamore onto Route 13. Administrator Russell advised that he would contact the property owners about cutting back the bush and possibly moving the sign to not obstruct the view.

Abe Alassaf – Personal Banker with Century National Bank, he advised that he had met with Leslie the Fiscal Officer, John Canter, and Solicitor Shostak; The outcome of the meeting would favorable for the Village to switch the bank at which the Village deposits their funds. There was discussion regarding the only location of the bank being on East State St. and the possibility being an inconvenience for Village Employees to deposit funds. There was a motion from Joe Canter for Resolution 2019-3, with a 2nd from Tammy Hawk. There was a Roll Call vote with the following results: Luke Phelps – yes, Tammy Hawk – yes, Amy Renner-yes, Joe Canter – yes, Larry Pierce – yes, John Canter – yes. All in Favor.

There was a Motion to Suspend the Rules by Joe Canter with a 2nd from Tammy Hawk. There was a Roll Call vote with the following results: Luke Phelps – yes, Tammy Hawk – yes, Amy Renner-yes, Joe Canter – yes, Larry Pierce – yes, John Canter – yes, All in Favor.

There was a Motion to Adopt Resolution 2019-3 by Joe Canter with a 2nd from Luke Phelps. There was a voice vote of All in Favor.

William Traugh, the Village Water Plant Operator advised that the EPA is requiring an Asset Management Program and a Valve Exercise Program be put in place by the Village of Chauncey and surrounding water facilities. Mr. Traugh advised that he has completed this for another Village so he knows what is needed for the programs to be put into place. Mr. Traugh also advised that he would be able to put the programs together for the Village of Chauncey at the rate of \$15.00 an hour but not to exceed \$1,000.00. There was a Motion for Resolution 2019-4. There was a voice vote of all in favor.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- Administrator Russell advised that he has met with the ODNR Representative and the Engineer regarding the Bailey Mountain Bike Trail system. They were wondering if the Memorial Stone and tree grove could be moved if they need to be. Council advised him that yes they could be moved. He advised Council that they would have the final say with the layout of the trailhead and park.

Administrator Russell also asked Council's opinion on the stage and shelter house if they wanted the structures included in the plans or torn down. Council advised that they would prefer to keep the structures with maybe some updates to the existing would be great. There is also the possibility of new playground equipment.

Administrator Russell advised that he has a Part-time employee starting on July 18, 2019 and Council needs set the pay. Council discussed the pay rates and advised Administrator Russell that the rate of \$10.00 per hour with the employee working 3-4 days a week.

Administrator Russell also asks that the employees receive their annual raises. There was some discussion amongst Council with a Motion for Resolution 2019-5 from Luke Phelps and a 2nd from Joe Canter.

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There was a Motion to Adopt Resolution 2019-5 by Luke Phelps with a 2nd from Amy Renner.

Administrator Russell advised that the County Commissioners have given the Village a 2008 Truck.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT- None at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT- Next Council meeting is August 20, 2019 at 5:30pm. The Mayor advised that July 17 is the 1st meeting of the Council of Governance. At that time they will elect officers and Rules of Council. The Village hosted the Landbank meeting in June.

There was discussion regarding the purchase of building permits and work that is being done not having a permit issued. Solicitor Shostak advised Administrator Russell to go to site and shut down all improvements until a permit is issued.

The Mayor advised that he just received a packet from FEMA so he will get in contact with them and see if they are willing to discuss the possibility of compliance.

The Mayor also asked Administrator Russell what was being done with regarding the Village of Chauncey entrance sign on Route 13.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS-

Luke Phelps – None at this time.

Amy Renner – Advised that she spoke with the Athens County Planner regarding the Batemans bill and the County Planner advised that we need to pay for it out of general funds then the County will reimburse the Village. Jessie Powers is having a hard time finding someone to do the Concrete work on the crosswalk at the library.

Tammy Hawk- None at this time.

Joe Canter- What is going on with the house at Lexington and Nye St.? Ask Joe Lucas to clean it up.

Larry Pierce- None at this time.

John Canter- What is the decision on the Recycling bins? Mayor Matthey advised that he is looking into possibly putting them at the Quaker House.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- No executive session was held.

ADJOURNMENT- At 6:33 PM, Tammy Hawk moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Larry Pierce. AIF stood up.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

RECORDED BY



BY Mayor Robert Matthey Date



Leslie Nicholson, Fiscal Officer Date