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# Village of Chauncey Council December 14th, 2022

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Amy Renner called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

PLEDGE TO FLAG - The pledge was observed by all in attendance.

ROLL CALL - Taken by Fiscal Officer

Seat 1 - Connaught Cullen, Present

Seat 2 – Tammy Hawk, Present

Seat 3 - Karla Dellinger, Present

Seat 4 - Evelyn Nagy, Present

Seat 5 – Vacant

Seat 6 – Dylan Skees, Present

Mayor - Amy Renner, Present

Solicitor - Jonathan Robe, Present

Village Administrator - Chris Russell

### APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion to approve bills made by Tammy Hawk, seconded by Karla Dellinger, AIF

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 by Connaught Cullen, Seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

# APPROVAL OF FINANCES AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER

Motion to approve the October Financial Statements made by Karla Dellinger, Seconded by Dylan Skees, AIF

Motion to approve the November Financial Statements made by Karla Dellinger, Seconded by Dylan Skees, AIF

Sam.gov update: We have finally received our number from the federal government.

Credit Card Update: The credit card company asked for more information.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2022-31 2023 Paid Holiday Schedule for paid employees. This resolution will be passed as an emergency due to the timing. Karla Dellinger would like to introduce, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF. Motion to suspend the rules made by Tammy Hawk, seconded by Evelyn Nagy.

Connaught Cullen = Yes Tammy Hawk = Yes Evelyn Nagy = Yes Dylan Skees = Yes Karla Dellinger = Yes

Connaught Cullen made the motion to adopt, seconded by Karla Dellinger, AIF

Resolution 2022-32 Holiday Bonus (Tracie \$50.00, Chris \$100.00, Chris Jr. \$100.00, Kevin \$50.00). This resolution will be passed as an emergency due to the timing of the holiday. Introduced by Karla Dellinger, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF. Tammy Hawk would like to declare an emergency to suspend the rules due to the timing of the meeting, seconded by Dylan Skees

Connaught Cullen = Yes Tammy Hawk = Yes Evelyn Nagy = Yes Dylan Skees = Yes Karla Dellinger = Yes

Karla Dellinger made the motion to adopt, seconded by Dylan Skees, AIF

Resolution 2022-33 Ohio Municipal Mailer Association: Annual membership, this membership includes a lot of benefits for the Mayor, Solicitor, and Fiscal Officer. Has resolutions, ordinances, job postings, webinars, etc. that would benefit the village in the future. The annual fee is \$ 350.00. This resolution will be passed as an emergency so that the village can have coverage starting January 1<sup>st</sup>. Karla Dellinger would like to introduce the resolution, seconded by Dylan Skees. AIF. Tammy Hawk would like to suspend the rules and declare an emergency, seconded by Karla Dellinger.

Connaught Cullen = Yes Tammy Hawk = Yes Evelyn Nagy = Yes Dylan Skees = Yes Karla Dellinger = Yes

Evelyn Nagy made the motion to adopt, seconded by Connaught Cullen, AIF

2022-34 Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to negotiate the buying of 60 Converse street up to \$5,000. This will be passed as an emergency due to the Landbank having a meeting next week. Tammy Hawk would like to introduce the resolution, Connaught Cullen Seconded. AIF Tammy Hawk would like to suspend the rules to declare an emergency, and Evelyn Nagy seconded.

Connaught Cullen = Yes Tammy Hawk = Yes Evelyn Nagy = Yes Dylan Skees = Yes Karla Dellinger = Yes

Evelyn Nagy made the motion to adopt, seconded by Dylan Skees, AIF

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2023 Expenses: Mini excavator is needed for the village. Want it to be split between water and sewer for 2023. We are looking into the possibility of the dump truck but we will reevaluate it at a further date.

Texas Eastern facility and future village facilities: A person would like to purchase the café just for the parking lot. Mayor Amy told him that it would be not ideal for that space because the towed cars would sit there. Mayor Amy and Chris thought about Texas Eastern and the possibility of selling it. If the building is sold, the village could use the money to build a new building on the current village property and use the rest of the money for other projects. Also, Mayor Amy has talked to the tenants next door about buying the home for village space and offices.

Mining Building Interpretative Study: Would the village like anything changed in the study before it is final? Connaught asked if there is a way to move some of the small buildings that you can not see down to the rest of the buildings. No other council members had comments on any changes.

ACGP Application Update: Jessie for ORCA put in a grant for 18 million dollars. \$8 Million was put aside for the Baileys trails and campground in Chauncey to get the water and sewer extended to the trailhead facility. If she is awarded this grant, this would be enough to finish the Baileys.

The same people who are looking at the old school on the hill are looking at getting some kind of grant for a downtown area for the village. There will be an advisory council for the downtown and what they would like to see.

Rural Action put in for a grant. Their grant will have to be shovel-ready. The Village of Chauncey's project is getting almost to the point of being shovel-ready.

Landbank Property -60 Converse Street: The land did not sell. The landbank has reached out to the village regarding the possibility of buying it.

Sewer plant inspection findings: The violations are new and not old violations. The first one is from June of 2022, two samples did not get pulled. Going forward Oscar needs to write an email/letter telling them the sample was not pulled within 24 hours. The second one is a valve leaking. Chris is going to put two new valves on the line. The third violation is that we must report number two within 24 hours. The fourth violation is the paddles are missing from the pump. Chris is getting the paddles ordered and will replace them within 30 days. The fifth violation is supposed to be a composite sample instead of a grab sample. Chris will start helping Oscar get these composite samples. To correct this, Chris will set a schedule written up on when the sample will be collected. The sixth violation is that we need to have a separate book for when the calibration is done. The seventh violation is that we need to start removing the sludge. Chris will start removing the sludge more often. They want a daily temperature check report. Chris and Oscar have a meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December regarding training and what the EPA is expecting. The village has 30 days to respond to the EPA on the fixes.

Newsletter: Mayor Amy has started the newsletter. Evelyn has some items to send to Amy and Tammy to write an article for it. Amy will need 500 stamps.

### VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Larry Pierce reported that there is a tree that needs to be cut down because it is on the services line. He believes that the tree is in the village right of way. The price to have the limb cut off is \$900.00 and \$2,400.00 for the whole tree to be cut down.

Chris has a catch basin that needs to be put in. It is on Birge Drive. It is across the street from the school. The price is roughly \$ 2,400.00. If this does not handle it, the village may need to talk to the school about putting a bigger pipe in.

Concrete is done in the restrooms and waiting on the electricity. The safety inspection for the playground is not done yet but they are hoping to be done by the end of the year.

February 8<sup>th</sup> is the new expected date of completion for the park.

### VILLAGE SOLICITOR REPORT

No update on David Funk. We have not received anything else.

The Mayor has asked me to look at something on the floodplain ordinance.

#### MAYORS REPORT

NFIP, Laura Olbers is taking it from Amy and finishing it up.

ORCA was awarded a grant of 3 million dollars for the visitor's center. It will be a 5,000-square-foot building. The building will have retail spaces and restaurant spaces.

Sewer update: We still have not heard from the Ohio EPA regarding the 4-million-dollar grant. We were supposed to hear by the end of November.

US Army Engineer grant is 1 million dollars. We are getting reimbursed for our 500k loan for our design for the project and they will pay DLZ going forward.

ODOT: Reached out to Amy in regards to the paving of Converse Street. It needs to happen in 2023.

#### MEMBER REPORTS

Evelyn Nagy: I'm working with an outside organization regarding an ordinance about housing and housing able-to-use vouchers. They will also be able to help tenants who are having a hard time with the owner. Pay to stay ordinance will be brought to the council regarding the tenant being able to pay a portion of the rent instead of being evicted.

Tammy Hawk: The tree lighting and decoration ceremony was a success.

Connaught Cullen: Talked to Jim Edwards and Jim would like sponsor entertainment for the opening of the park.

Dylan Skees: Nothing

Karla Dellinger: Regarding the permits for rental property, are we enforcing the January 1<sup>st</sup> deadline? We passed the ordinance. Amy: We do not have a code enforcer right now. We are going to push this out a little longer.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be on January 4th, 2023 at 5:30.

Motion by Tammy Hawk at 8:35, Connaught Cullen seconded. AIF

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

RECORDED BY

Connaught Cullen, President of Council

Kevin Simons, Fiscal Officer