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**Village of Chauncey Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes
January 13th, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER – The council meeting was called to order by Connaught Cullen at 5:40 PM

PLEDGE TO FLAG - Observed by all in attendance.

ROLL CALL - Taken by Fiscal Officer:

Seat 1 – Diana Burritt, Present

Seat 2 – Connaught Cullen, Present

Seat 3 – Tammy Hawk, Present

Seat 4 – Evelyn Nagy, Present

Seat 5 – Diana Schoonover, Absent

Seat 6 – Vacant

Mayor – Amy Renner, Absent

Solicitor –Assistant solicitor Johnathan Robe

Village Administrator – Chris Russell, Present

Guest – Bobby Fuller from DLZ, Danny Kington from Athens Messenger

Motion to excuse Diana Schoonover made by Tammy Hawk; seconded Evelyn Nagy, AIF

Motion to excuse the Mayor made by Evelyn Nagy; seconded Diana Burritt, AIF

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion to approve bills made by Diana Burritt seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the December 9th, 2021 council meeting minutes made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Connaught Cullen, AIF

Motion to approve the December 23rd, 2021 council meeting minutes made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Connaught Cullen, AIF

Motion to approve the January 6th, 2022 council meeting minutes made by Diana Burritt, seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

APPROVAL OF FINANCES AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER

Motion to approve the December 2021 finances by Diana Burritt seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

Meeting for the 26th to talk about financial statement. 5:30

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2022-3 (First Reading) = Consent to ODAOT for paving State Route 13/Converse Street. Mayor Amy and Solicitor Johnathan are working with compliance and finalize wording. Introduced by Evelyn Nagy, Motion to introduce for first reading made by Tammy Hawk, seconded by Connaught Cullen, AIF

Resolution 2022-4 = Authorizing the Mayor to sign the ODNR Natural Works Grant Agreement. Resolution is declaring an Emergency. Tammy Hawk introduced, Tammy Hawk. Motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency made by Evelyn Nagy and Connaught Cullen. AIF

Connaught Cullen = Yes
Diana Burritt = Yes
Tammy Hawk = Yes
Evelyn Nagy = Yes

Connaught Cullen made the motion to adopt, seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

Resolution 2022-5 = Solicitor's Contract. Resolution is declaring an Emergency. Introduced by, Tammy Hawk. Motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency made by Evelyn Nagy and Tammy Hawk. AIF

Connaught Cullen = Yes
Diana Burritt = Yes
Tammy Hawk = Yes
Evelyn Nagy = Yes

Tammy Hawk made the motion to adopt, seconded by Connaught Cullen AIF

Resolution 2022-6 = Authorizing the mayor to sign the new Land Bank contract for the two additional properties 72 and 74 Main Street. Resolution is declaring an Emergency. Diana Burritt introduced, Connaught Cullen seconded. Motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency made by Evelyn Nagy and Connaught Cullen. AIF

Connaught Cullen = Yes
Diana Burritt = Yes
Tammy Hawk = Yes

Evelyn Nagy = Yes

Connaught Cullen made the motion to adopt, seconded by Tammy Hawk AIF

NEW BUSINESS

Zoning Code Review Part 1- All Districts = Will be put on hold until February. Mayor Amy is still working on this. Athens County map department is willing to map the village zones.

Council Committee Assignments = Diana Burritt new chair of the planning and development commit. Tammy Hawk made a motion to make Diana Burritt chair, seconded by Connaught Cullen. The rest of the committees to wait until John's seat is filled.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

Bobby Fuller from DLZ = Still working on plan. They are roughly about 50% finished. Believe that they have about 2 months left of work. Waiting on EPA on a Permit to Install. Once that happens, they are "Shovel Ready". Any areas that Village of Chauncey would want to extend its services. Only area of concerns would be to extend to the Abdell Properties. It will be cheaper for the sewer system to get permits for under the railroad for sewage for the park instead of tapping into Spring Street.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

39 Ellis is asking to get a separate water tap. What is the price for the second meter? Do we want to assign an address. Council would like to assign the address of 39 ½ for the new water tap.

Demo at the park is in progress.

The Village of Chauncey is going to wait on purchasing a backhoe.

Rick Wasserman = Has a grant that allows him to tear down houses and the land owner keeps to keep the property. 45 Mill Street is what Rick asked about. It would be up to the Village Administrator or Mayor to take action.

55 Mill Street and 67 Mill Street are the burnt houses. 55 Mill Street owner will allow the land bank to tear it down as long as they get to keep the property. 67 Mill Street has not responded to communication about the land bank tearing it down.

14 and 16 Mound Street = Owner is going to allow the land bank to tear them down as long as they get to keep the property.

93 Converse Street is going to allow the Land Bank to tear the building down.

20 and 22 Smith, owner is trying to get it under condemnation so that the property can be tore down by the Land Bank

Motion to accept Village Administors report, made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Connaught Cullen AIF

SOLICITOR'S REPORT/OPEN ITEMS

Village records need gone through at Texas Eastern. Solicitor is going to check on laws and rules through the state. May come up with a new policy in regards to our record retention.

Motion to accept Solicitors report, made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Tammy Hawk. AIF

MAYOR'S REPORT

Sopec will be taken care of the mine buildings within the village.

ODNR has agreed put of demolition of the mind buildings.

Would like council members to get together and go Texas Eastern to clean records. Shelves are currently being built and will let council know when shelves are done. The solicitor will look at the records retention policy and rules by the state.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

Connaught Cullen = Wants to ask about opting out OPERS since council is being paid.

Diana Burritt = Nothing

Tammy Hawk = Nothing

Evelyn Nagy = Resident on Ellis is requesting to put a Stop sign where Ellis and Monroe meet.

Will not be here for the March 10th meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, motion made by Evelyn Nagy and seconded by Tammy Hawk to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:46 PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 10th, 2022 at located at the village hall beginning at 5:30 PM.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

RECORDED BY

Connaught Cullen

Connaught Cullen, President of Council

Kevin Simons

Kevin Simons, Fiscal Officer