

Village of Chauncey Council
September 12th, 2024

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 (Late 5:57)

Seat 2 – Tammy Hawk, Present

Seat 3 – Karla Dellinger, Present

Seat 4 – Evelyn Nagy, Present

Seat 5 – Mike Kraus, Present

Seat 6 – Dylan Skees, Present

Mayor – Amy Renner, Absent

Village Administrator – Present

Village Solicitor – Present

Karla Dellinger made a motion to excuse the mayor, seconded by Mike Kraus. AIF

NEW BUSINESS

Phase 1 Sewer Project Update: Almost up to Sycamore Street. The other crew is up on May Avenue. They ran into 3 gas lines, so that slowed that down a few days. Karla Dellinger: How are people going to get out of Nye when they do that section? Chris: They are going to make sure that people have access to get in and out. They may have to wait 5-10 minutes. Drew did message the trailer park owner about putting an ally between lot 33 and 34 but, he has not heard back from the owner.

Phase 2 Sewer Project Update: The bids was opened today and it looks like Fields Excavating was the best price by about 2 million dollars. DLZ has worked with them before. Jonathan advised Chris to make sure the DLZ just watches them closely.

Appalachian Community Grant Program: Drew, Chris, and Roxanna met with Buckeye Hills to talk about the project and next steps. There is a lot of paperwork that they need from Kevin and I so we need to prioritize that next. Designing Local is officially under contract for the design of the project.

Village Clerk Update: We offered the village clerk position to Roxanna Chiki for \$35,360 and she waived health insurance. She started on Monday and Tracie has been working with her.

Halloween Trick-or-Treat Date: November 2nd at 5:30 to 7:00.

Edwards Easement: Jonathan needs to get some additional information to over to the mayor about this.

Athens County Loves Libraries: There is tax levy on the ballot this November that we are asking Athens County Residents to pass. A flyer was handed out to the council.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion to approve the bills made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Dylan Skees, AIF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of August 8th, 2024: Motion by Connaught Cullen, seconded by Evelyn Nagy, AIF

APPROVE FINANCES AND REPORTS FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER

Motion to approve July's Financial Statements made by Dylan Skees, seconded by Mike Kraus.

Motion to approve August's Financial Statements made by Dylan Skees, seconded by Mike Kraus.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTION

Resolution 2024-17 Authorizing Mayor to sign and apply for EPA Loan Forgiveness for Phase 2 Sewer: Evelyn Nagy made a motion to introduce, seconded by Karla Dellinger. AIF. Tammy Hawk would like to declare an emergency and suspend the rules to adopt resolution 2024-17 due to the timing of the application. AIF

Connaught Cullen: Yes

Dylan Skees: Yes

Mike Kraus: Yes

Tammy Hawk: Yes

Karla Dellinger: Yes

Evelyn Nagy: Yes

Motion to adopt made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF

Resolution 2024-18 Authorizing Mayor to apply for AMLER: Motion made to introduce the resolution made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded Connaught Cullen. AIF. Tammy Hawk would like to declare an emergency and suspend the rules to adopt resolution 2024-18 due to the timing of the application. AIF

Connaught Cullen: Yes
Dylan Skees: Yes
Mike Kraus: Yes
Tammy Hawk: Yes
Karla Dellinger: Yes
Evelyn Nagy: Yes

Motion to adopt made by Connaught Cullen, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF

Ordinance 2024-8 – Accepting the bid from a contractor for Phase 2 sewer project: The bids was opened today and it looks like Fields Excavating was the best price by about 2 million dollars. Evelyn Nagy made the motion to introduce, seconded by Connaught Cullen. AIF. Tammy Hawk would like to declare an emergency and suspend the rules so that the contract can be signed in a timely manner. Karla Dellinger seconded.

Connaught Cullen: Yes
Dylan Skees: Yes
Mike Kraus: Yes
Tammy Hawk: Yes
Karla Dellinger: Yes
Evelyn Nagy: Yes

Motion to adopt made by Connaught Cullen, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF

Resolution 2024-19 Cost of living increase for all staff that is through there probationary period: Karla Dellinger would like to introduce, seconded by Tammy Hawk. AIF. Council would like to give a 5% raise to staff effective September 1st. Tammy Hawk would like to declare it emergency and suspend the rules to make effective September 1st. Karla Dellinger seconded.

Connaught Cullen: Yes
Dylan Skees: Yes
Mike Kraus: Yes
Tammy Hawk: Yes
Karla Dellinger: Yes
Evelyn Nagy: Yes

Motion of adopt made by Karla Dellinger, Tammy Hawk Seconded. AIF

MAYORS REPORT

Not in attendance. Mayor emailed council some items.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

The water plant has been cleaned and painted. Sherwin Williams donated part of the paint, we did have to buy a little more paint.

Mendon is expecting to be completely done with Phase 1 by Thanksgiving. They are moving slow and I hope it picks up once they are into good soil.

VILLAGE SOLICITOR

On going work with the utility projects.

47 Main Street: They had a mediation session, nothing really happened. There is talk between Mr. Funk and the Landbank about them buying it back.

There is an issue with a property was purchased in the Village limits. The property has back water fees and the village has always followed the rule that the fees have to be paid up prior to the water being turned back on.

BZA hearing: Some items have been referred to the planning commission for comments. The council does not have to make any determination at this meeting due to waiting on feedback and recommendations from the planning commission. The property that is in question will need to have someone from the state inspectors office to inspect the home and sign off on the property to make sure it is livable. Drew would be the one to talk to the property owner.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

Tammy Hawk: Want to thank Chris for all of his hard work he does for the village.

Connaught Cullen: The mural was sent out. I think she is going to wait until the dust is has settled and the project is by the village hall.

Mike Kraus: I had conversation with the board of elections about council members. Kevin has sent information in the past and nothing has changed. Kevin did email them during the meeting.

Dylan Skees: We did get approval to paint the bottom of the utility poles.

Evelyn Nagy: Nothing

Karla Dellinger: Nothing

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nothing

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be on October 15th, 2024 at 5:30 pm at the Chauncey Firehouse.

Motion by Connaught Cullen at 7:32 pm, Dylan Skees seconded. AIF

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

RECORDED BY

Tammy Hawk, President of Council

Kevin Simons, Fiscal Officer