

Minutes of Cedarville Village Council

Held April 8, 2019

Council met in regular session on April 8, 2019 with Mayor Pergram presiding. Council members present were Brooks, Chisholm, Pergram, Stancliff, Terrell, and Ware. The Fiscal Officer recorded the minutes.

Minutes: Minutes of the March 25, 2019 meeting were accepted as submitted.

Mayor Pergram:

- Mayor expressed his appreciation for Officer Holmes' many years of service to the Village – will have a public celebration soon.
- Mayor also made recommendation to the Council that Officer Holmes be allowed to keep his duty weapon – a common practice for officers with long-term service.

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Terrell seconded to approve Mayor's recommendation and allow Officer Holmes to keep his duty weapon. Motion passed with all ayes.

- The Park Committee would like to know if any funds are available for the next phase of the project.
- Mayor also wants to evaluate possible uses for the Legion Bldg if it cannot be renovated into the police station.
- Mayor has notified department managers that they are to have evaluations for all employees completed by the end of April.
- Mayor made a recommendation to donate the police department golf cart to past Chief Gillaugh.

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Chisholm seconded to approve Mayor's recommendation and donate the golf cart to Chief Gillaugh. Motion passed with all ayes.

- Mayor presented Mr. James Combs as candidate for Police Chief. After a statement by Mr. Combs and questions from Council:

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to approve Mayor's recommendation to hire Mr. Combs as the Village police chief. Motion passed with all ayes.

Police Chief Combs:

- Made a statement to Council and to those in attendance regarding some of his goals for the department.

Village Administrator Furay:

- Working at the park – restrooms are being opened this week
- Will be rolling the grass at the park

- ODOT scheduled to be starting work “soon”.
- ADA-accessible ramps are being installed throughout town.
- The low-hanging wires previously mentioned in Council meetings along Main St have been cut down. (They were not ‘live’.)

Old Business: None

New Business: Resolution 2019-04: Agreement Between the Greene County Engineer and Cedarville Village to be part of the Collective Bid process for chip seal work.

Mr. Stancliff moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to approve Resolution 2019-04. Motion passed with all ayes.

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$31,996.20 were submitted.

Mr. Stancliff moved and Ms. Ware seconded to approve the warrants for payment. The motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations – to meet 4/19
- Finance/Utility – e-mail accounts being established for all Village officials
- Fiscal Officer – presented March financial reports
- Solicitor – no report
- Zoning Administrator –
 - House on Elm St – County will not foreclose.
 - Mrs. Miller’s restaurant opening this week
 - Provided written report
- Parks Director –
 - Expressed appreciation to Gary and crew for work at the park

Council Comments:

- Ms. Ware: Committee is looking for people to paint the new trash cans

Guests Comments:

- Emily Kaster
 - Easter Egg hunt was big success
 - CedarFest planning continues
- April Smith – wanted to offer support to Officer Smith
- Angela (?) – wanted to offer support to Officer Smith
- Chief Gillaugh – wanted to offer support to Officer Smith

After all guests had spoken:

Council was introduced to five (5) (four (4) in person) individuals who had applied to fill the vacant Council seat. Applicants included:

- Ms. Lisa Battaglia
- Mr. John Cody Jr.
- Mr. Paul Cope
- Mr. Darren Guy Dawes
- Ms. Emily Kaster

After statements, comments and questions from Council,

Mr. Brooks moved and Ms. Ware seconded to move to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and Council candidates. Action is anticipated afterward. Motion passed with all ayes.

Ms. Ware moved and Mr. Stancliff seconded to return from Executive Session. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Brooks moved and Ms. Ware seconded to approve the recommendation from Chief Roberts and the decision by Mayor Pergram to terminate Officer Aaron Smith. Motion passed with all ayes.

Council then held elections to fill the open Council seat. On the second vote, Mr. Dawes was selected and will take oath prior to the next council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 pm.

The next council meeting will be held on April 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.