

## Minutes of Cedarville Village Council

Held October 24, 2022

Council met in regular session on October 24, 2022 with Mayor Pergram presiding. Council members present were Brooks, Cody, Combs, Dawes, and Jones. Fiscal Officer recorded the minutes.

Minutes: Minutes of the October 10, 2022 regular meeting were accepted as amended.

Mayor Pergram:

- “Beggar’s Night” is 10/31 from 6:00-8:00.
- Little Town of Lights to be December 3<sup>rd</sup> (always 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of December) from 5:00-8:00 with the parade at 6:00. This is one hour sooner than typical to accommodate the Joe Mullins concert at the opera house which begins at 7:30.
- Talked with a builder regarding the stage project at the Community Park. He can build on the same size or larger for \$8,000.
- Township Trustees (and others) have sent a letter to the Greene County Commissioners and the Xenia Council regarding the drastic price increase being proposed for dispatch services. Mayor Pergram presented a letter to Council that he intends to send as well.

Police Chief Smith:

- 238 calls in the past two weeks.
- “Drug Takeback” scheduled for 10/29/22 from 10:00-2:00.

Village Administrator Porter:

- Opera house renovation – needs HVAC and plumbing work. Work to start in December.
- Recommends flat \$10 fee for records request. (This is not allowed as labor cannot be billed for these requests – only the cost of the paper used if they are printed.)
- Getting pricing for a permanent “parklet” to include concrete, seating, bike rack, etc.
- Two (2) CU students are working on mapping the Village’s storm drains. They have been hired under the Federal Work Study Program.
- The fitness course at the park has been removed. The wood was rotting and the structures were no longer safe.
- Introduced Ordinance 2022-20 regarding (permanent or temporary) renewal of the, currently, temporary income tax of 1.25%. Tabled for future discussion.
- Ordinance 2022-21 presented for first (1<sup>st</sup>) reading. This would amend section 1121.03(a).
- Requests Executive Session at end of meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: (as above)

Warrants: Warrants in the amount of \$60,176.94 were submitted.

Mr. Combs moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to approve the warrants for payment. The motion passed with all ayes.

Committee Reports:

- Community Relations – None.
- Finance/Utility – None.
- Fiscal Officer –
  - Update on Rumpke
  - Update on Electronic Deposit. Council in agreement that all employees will be paid electronically once this process is in place.
  - RITA collection letters.
- Solicitor – Telephone calls to attorney(s) not being returned.
- Activities – None

Guests Comments: None

Council Comments: None

With Councilmember Stancliff leaving, there is an open council seat. Two people have applied for this position:

- Mr. Paul Cope
- Mr. Jayson Ruth

Since both had spoken at the previous meeting:

Mr. Brooks moved and Mr. Dawes seconded to move to Executive Session for deliberation and selection of Council Member to fill Mr. Stancliff's seat. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Dawes moved and Mr. Brooks seconded to return from Executive Session. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Jayson Ruth is selected to fill the open council seat and was sworn in with term running through 12/31/25.

Ms. Jones moved and Mr. Cody seconded to move to Executive Session to discuss legal matters. No action is anticipated afterward. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mr. Dawes moved and Mr. Combs seconded to return from Executive Session. Motion passed with all ayes.

Mayor Pergram noted that the Zoning Appeals Committee had met and recommended rezoning 185 N. Main St. from Single Family Residential to Multi-Family Residential. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.