

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Village of Ottoville Council

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held February 27, 2023

Members of Village Council met this day in regular session in Council chambers, Municipal Center of Ottoville, Ohio at 7:00 pm.

Present William D. Miller Daniel Honigford
Julianne Brickner Adria Petrick
Joc Moreno Charlie Buss

Solicitor: Theresa Von Sosson

Presiding: Mayor Ronald N. Miller presiding

The meeting was opened with members reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The January 23 meeting minutes were provided to each Council member prior to the meeting and approved as written.

Mr. Moreno moved to approve bills presented for payment (see register attached), seconded by Mrs. Petrick. Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.

Fire Department

- Would like to meet with Fire Board to discuss purchasing policies and guidelines.
- Mr. Moreno made a motion to approve the VFIS Fire Department accidental and sickness policy and each fireman will contribute \$1.00 towards the policy premium seconded by Ms. Brickner. Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.
- Chief will look at the heat in the fire building, possibly lower it because the last natural gas bill was \$881.50 for January/February.

BPA

- 3 quotes from Liquid Engineering to have the water towers inspected were presented.
 - a. \$4705 was obtained January 2022 for cleaning and inspection but Liquid Engineering could not fulfill because of manpower shortage.
 - b. \$3500 for inspection only not cleaning obtained December 2022 via ROV (Remote Operated Vehicle).
 - c. \$7965 obtained January 2023 for cleaning and inspection.
 - i. Mr. Davies made a motion to check if Liquid Engineering will honor the January 2022 \$4705 quote. If unavailable go ahead with the \$3500 ROV inspection only of both towers seconded by Mr. Calvelage. A vote of three yeses passed this motion.
- 2 quotes for the painting of the Ottoville Commerce Park water tower were presented.
 - a. Leary Construction \$64,984.06
 - b. Pittsburgh Tank \$84,500
 - i. Mr. Davies made a motion to table until next month seconded by Mr. Calvelage. A vote of three yeses passed this motion.
 - ii. The project could possibly be postponed for a year, but rusting has started.
 - iii. Mr. Helms will help check on other companies since the quotes were higher than expected.
- State Route 66 pump station was down for a few days due to a blockage in the line. It is now up and running.
- Schweller continues working on the VPN (wireless water tower) project.
- Information has been submitted to 120 Water regarding the lead and copper project. We are waiting to hear back from them for the next steps.

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- Ottoville School had a water leak due to a valve for the fire suppression system in the athletic complex. They have asked for a credit for the sewer portion of the utility billing since it didn't run through the sewer. It is thought that the fire suppression systems are not metered; this will be checked into.
- Mr. Davies made a motion to credit utility late fees if payment comes in after the due date but is postmarked on the due date or before seconded by Mr. Helms. A vote of three yeses passed this motion.
- 2 residences, account numbers 220 and 266, asked for the vacation RTS credit as noted in BPA minutes July 28, 2014.

Fiscal Officer

- Fiscal Officer attending the Local Government Conference March 27 -- 29. March council meeting rescheduled for March 20 at 7:00 pm.
- Mr. Moreno moved to approve ACII fees of .8% to pay Microtonix bills via ACII, seconded by Mrs. Petrick. Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.
- Fiscal Officer will supply Finance Committee with Appropriation Supplements quarterly for review.
- Tawa Mulch completed the mulching but obtained damage to the hammers and cutters on their grinder due to a large granite rock in the brush pile. They asked that the village cover half the repair cost of \$642.00. Mr. Moreno moved to approve paying the additional \$642 for repairs seconded by Mr. Miller. Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.

Resolution 2023-02, A Resolution Directing the Expenditure of Public Funds for a Proper Public Purpose was emailed prior to the meeting. Mr. Moreno moved to approve the 2nd reading with one amendment suggested by Mrs. Von Sosson; cite the reference 'proper public purpose' seconded by Mr. Honigford. Roll Call Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.

Mr. Miller moved to approve the 1st reading of Resolution 2023-03, A Resolution requesting the Putnam County Auditor certify to the village of Ottoville the total current tax valuations and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the tax levy, seconded by Mr. Buss. Roll Call Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.

Mr. Joe Moreno

- Splash Pad update
 - Met with Chamber of Commerce; they will be getting Council additional information so Council can make an informed decision to approve or not the construction based on expenses, water usage, etc. Also discussed location of potential project within the village.
- Network upgrade
 - Pugsley Audio and Microtronix submitted quotes.
 - Microtronix did not include labor or additional material cost needed in quotes, so these quotes seem lower.
 - Pugsley will integrate with the park's camera system.
 - Based on these findings, and after some discussion, Mr. Miller moved to accept the Pugsley quote to upgrade the building's network for \$3,870.62 seconded by Ms. Brickner. Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.
- Will invite Brian with Choice One to March's council meeting to discuss storm sewers; Second Street and Red Maple Court. Would like to try for the county level OPWC grant.
- Discussion about other committees/departments attending council meetings regularly. Mr. Moreno will reach out to BPA to invite them to the monthly council meetings.

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- Discussion on the 2024 Solar Eclipse. Brian Hilvers, coordinator, attending the Chamber of Commerce meeting Thursday, March 2. Village would like to be involved in this event.
- With moving forward with the installation of 3 cameras in the municipal building and adding to the park camera system the need for larger storage drive compacity is eminent. After discussion of future needs in mind, Ms. Brickner moved to go with the larger of 2 options, the 48 TB compacity drives \$2450 seconded by Mrs. Petrick. Vote: Miller, yes; Brickner, yes; Moreno, yes; Honigford, yes; Petrick, yes; and Buss, yes.

Ms. Julie Brickner

- A meeting was held with full time employees concerning moving the renewal of vacation from anniversary date to calendar year. Based on conversation with the employees it was decided to continue with vacation renewal, as is, on the employee's anniversary date. The 3 employees who earned the 4 weeks after 10 plus years of employment will start to receive the 4 weeks on their 2023 anniversary.
- A small group, including the Chamber of Commerce and some local businesses, will be meeting Wednesday, March 1 at 7:30 pm to plan some village summer activities.

Mr. W.D. Miller

- Will have signs posted to advertise mulch.
- The new tractor should arrive in March.
- Agco tractor has sticky injectors, repairs next week.
- EMS remodel progressing well; almost complete.
- Ottoville School did test on the village radio repeater; went well.
- Austin Markward's storm sewer tile complete, still water on street, will monitor.

Mrs. Theresa Von Sossan

- Open Local Entrepreneurial Program applications on the Chamber of Commerce's website. This program helps small business owners take their business to the next level.
- Noticed a few situations in news; emails need to be kept to reminders, no discussion. Discussion must occur at the open meeting. If have questions on anything can contact the Ethics Commission.

Mr. Ronald Miller

- Several residences are getting peaches and other food thrown in their yards with ill-suited writing on the food. Will continue to monitor with hopes to catch who is behind the situation.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Ronald N Miller
Mayor

Michelle T Weyrauch
Fiscal Officer