

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

February 20, 2024

7:00 p.m. the meeting of council was called to order by Mayor Plyler: followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members answered roll call: Chris Miller, Thomas Richter, Wayne Troyer, Robert Miller and Village Administrator Rose Baxter. Absent Zach Fanning.

**Motion** to accept minutes of the previous meeting held by Thomas Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert Miller; roll call vote four (4) ayes.

**Motion** to pay bills totaling \$63,460.35 by Chris Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thomas Richter; roll call vote four (4) ayes.

**Motion** to accept financial report by Chris Miller and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thomas Richter; roll call vote four (4) ayes.

VISITORS:

Paul Neiswander, Lance Neiswander, Alyssa Miller, Justin Klein, Garry Stein, Ervin Yoder Jr., Edward Raber, Shane Renfrew, Gina Renfrew, Kaleen Erb, Ruth Plyler, Cedrick Gerber.

Sedrick Gerber though he’s not a current resident of Baltic, Ohio but was born and raised he is currently the Principal at Baltic Elementary for the last 3 years. Tonight he was here on the behalf of Garaway Local schools to show their appreciation and gratitude and just to say Thank You for the police presence that we provided amongst the community. Cedrick has had many conversations with staff, parents and community members in general about how nice it is that whenever they drop their kids off at school or pick up to see a police officer in or around our facilities.

Shane Renfrew wanted to get some answers on his water bill for the month and Mayor took the lead on that and said he was “working on that as we speak.” He has explained that as he put in the news letter, that the County will be taking over in the summer sometime. He said he’s got a court date and still has some stuff that needs done since we are in 3 different counties. Mayor has been in contact with Mike Jones and said he they’re really good guys and they have the staffing to run the plant.

Chris explained about the reasoning with going with the County to take over, said that it will eventually even out across the board and basically will try and stay plateau. There was more to be said but Mayor cut everyone off and said that we have other business to be talked about.

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**V.I.T:** A deposit of \$32,996.86 was made February 1st and of that amount \$10,935.44 is the ½%. A deposit of \$11,077.34 was made February 15<sup>th</sup>. Of this amount \$3,692.44 represents the ½%.

**COMMUNITYINTEREST/PARKS/MAINTENANCE:**

Zachary Fanning, Chairperson (Not Present)  
Barb Troyer would like to clean again this year at the same rate as last year \$10/per time cleaning.

**Motion:** to continue cleaning by Thomas Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Miller: roll call vote four (4) ayes.

Doug is going to attend the first meeting of the year for the Historical Society on March 14. He will introduce himself at this time. He may not be able to go every month.

The village wants to have yards separate from Sugarcreek. Doug out of curiosity put a poll on Facebook regarding this issue and said maybe 30 people respond with 87% voting to have our own date. He said that he didn't think he would get that kind of result. Chris said the sooner we decide on a date the better people could prepare for the yard sales. Doug wants to do the first weekend of May.

**Motion:** to have our own sales separate from Sugarcreek first weekend of May by Thomas Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Miller: roll call vote four (4).

Down spout on the NE corner of the pavilion needs to be drained to the creek. We are able to do this ourselves. Keith called Holmes Rental to rent a ditcher at \$229.00 per day and \$2.10 per mile for delivery and pick up. We also will need 100 feet of 4" pipe.

**Motion:** to rent the Ditcher and buying the pipe by Thomas Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert Miller; roll call vote four (4) ayes.

Easter Egg Hunt is going to be March 30. Registration is at 12:00pm and the hunt starts at 1:00pm. Doug said that he would be including this information in the newsletter for the Village.

Keith has the bleachers fixed for the ball field.

**STREET/EQUIPMENT:** Thomas Richter, Chairperson-  
There is a recall on the Gravely mower. Owens Implement does not have the parts to fix it. They will call when it comes in.

There is a quote in the packet for a tiller for seeding grass at the cemetery. One from Rural King for \$729.99 and one from Holmes Rental for a Troy Built Mustin for \$1,099.

**Motion:** to accept the quote from Holmes Rental for \$1,099 by Thomas Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wayne Troyer: roll call vote four (4) ayes.

Keith wants to get filters through Napa March 4-9<sup>th</sup> with the sale of 40% off. He would like to purchase filters for the Kiota Tractor and both zero turns for a total of 10 filters.

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REGIONAL PLANNING:

Mayor was not at the meeting on Feb 13, 2024 at 7pm at Dover Township Meeting hall and mention that he forgot about it.

SAFETY & WELFARE:

Mayor talked about the issue with the credit card that was issued to an employee who is no longer employed. There was a purchase made with this card recently and we are in contact with the Sugarcreek Police Dept, Credit Card Company. The credit card company took care of the charge. The account has been closed down and Mayor said that we are good and now it's in Sugarcreek PD hands. They're involved with both Rose and Mayor. Everyone is going through with the procedures are what needs to be done.

FISCAL OFFICER: Dena Jones Burrier-  
Nothing at this time.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Rose Baxter-  
Jeff Rose has filed a claim with the Village Insurance regarding a piece of cement that hit his can close to West Street (across the cemetery). Rose had him file a police incident report. Rose said that she's not sure if they're going to allow claim because they had asked if there was any other claim and she said no.

Audit has started and she's trying to get preliminary papers filled out for Perry and Associates.

Spectrum will be here to update internet service the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Keith Ely's probation is up and his raise has been added to this pay period.

Rose applied for a new plate for the new fire truck.

Registration has been completed for SAM. This is done annually for federal grants.

Mike Jones sent an email saying they will not read meters this month for water billing even though they know Richard is on vacation. Richard is on vacation until Easter. He stated he is no coming back to work in water/wastewater.

Mayor: Doug Plyler  
He stated that he will be out of office Feb 22-26<sup>th</sup>. He will be contactable if there is an emergency call or text me. I won't be able to use email.

Keith suggested we sell the Burger building at the same time we have the Auction and Attorney Frautschy said that we need to have an ordinance for that. Attorney Frautschy said that we can do the ordinance now and decide what to do with the building later. We have to pass the ordinance and then advertise it for 5 weeks in the newspaper and take bids and sell it at the auction and we will go through Kaufman for the Auction.

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
February 22, 2023

7 P.M. the meeting of council was called to order by Council President, Bob Miller. Those in attendance: Tom Richter, Chris Miller, Zachary Fanning, Keith Ely and Rose Baxter.

The purpose of this meeting was to approve the paving estimate received in order to participate under the County contract. The bid came to \$170,214.12 to pave the Cemetery (\$14,074.43), Maple Street (\$103,989.49) and N. Butler (\$52,150.20). Motion made by Bob Miller to accept the estimate and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Richter; four (4) ayes.

Meeting adjourned by Bob Miller and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Richter.

Council President

*Bob Miller*

*Rose Baxter*  
Village Administrator