

July 16, 2024

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

The following members answered roll call: Tom Richter, Bob Miller, Mia Lane, Garrett Kurtz, Wayne Troyer.

Motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting by Bob Miller, 2nd by Wayne Troyer; roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Motion to pay bills totaling \$232,750.66 by Tom Richter, 2nd by Mia Lane; roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Motion to accept financial report by Tom Richter and 2nd by Bob Miller; roll call vote five (5) ayes.

VISITORS:

ALYSSA MILLER, LYNN EILER, LANA GUISINGER, ALAN KING, RUTH PLYLER, SCOTT LANE, BRITTANY DOWNS, TARA FRANCIS, RUSSELL NEISWANDER, JAYVIN NEISWANDER

BRITTANY DOWNS WANTS TO VACATE ALLEY ON 302 S. BUTLER AND CORNER OF FACTORY STREET BECAUSE SHE WANTS TO BUILD A FENCE

MOTION TO ALLOW BRITTANY DOWNS TO VACATE ALLEY BY GARRET KURTZ: 2ND BY TOM RICHTER: ROLL CALL VOTE FIVE (5) AYES.

FIRE:

Gary Stein-

Utv will be here this week sometime. Should have it by homecoming.

The tanker went in today. Alan King said that nothing is wrong with it. The tanker just needs alignment. Last night they voted on buying an aluminum trailer to haul the UTV whenever it comes.

Fire dept bought a new breathing air machine to fill the trailer and that cost them \$34,853.00. The trailer has 12 bottles in it and that will fill the bottles that go on their backs for fire calls. The grant wouldn't let them buy this and they had to go to Sugarcreek to fill the tanks. They bought the compressor to fill their tanks with the Balder Estate money received.

Maddie Smith will no longer be the department Ems Captain. Alan King is going to be taking her spot.

The big trucks needs to be serviced.

Motion to service trucks by Tom Richter and 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

The fire dept is going to put \$100,000 back to help pay for the new tanker going to need one in 3 years.

Dept bought a new cot, Lucas, and a new lens scope for \$2,500.00. They want to see about carrying blood. Startup cost \$4,000 and would split up between Sugarcreek, Dundee and Baltic Fire Dept. and would cost about \$1,500 a year to maintain it. You must be a medic to give the blood and the dept only has 2 medics. The blood expires every 42 days and takes back up to 30 days and the patient would get billed for the blood and then they could purchase more to replace that blood that they used. You must have a special cooler to carry the blood and a special cooler to refrigerate the blood. Then once you get the blood you must have a warmer to warm the blood back up. We may have used the blood 3 times last year.

V.I.T: A deposit of \$53,695.84 was made July 1st and of that amount \$17,646.04 is the ½%. A deposit of \$3,749.64 was made July 15th. Of this amount \$1,249.63 represents the ½%.

COMMUNITYINTEREST/PARKS/MAINTENANCE:

Wayne Troyer-

There are 2 electrical posts that need to be replaced by the ballpark. One by the park and one between the creek and the playground. The horse at the playground is broken and the spring needs to be replaced on that.

Motion to pay \$399.72 to replace the spring for the horse at the playground by Wayne Troyer and 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

The Catch basin at park has weeds dug out and by the parking lot. Bob said that Richard was working on that, that day.

The changing table in the women's restroom at the park is unsafe and needs a new one. Wayne is going to look for a new one and get a quote.

STREET/EQUIPMENT:

Thomas Richter-

Dena called 811 for Keith to dig up sunset up from W Main St. to Craig St. for the drainage pipe and got a load of gravel from Fiat Trucking.

Newton repair across the street from the Post Office for 1-\$2,000.

Motion to approve max up to \$2000 for paving that hole over by the Post Office by Tom Richter and 2nd by Bob Miller: roll call vote by five (5) ayes.

Clark Township mowed the creek banks.
Keith had to get a new battery in the Gravely mower.

FINANCE:

Tom Richter (interim)-

Meeting is going have a meeting Aug 20th at 6pm.

Gary Stein and Just Klein Evaluation.

Rate structure of the park.

Mowing and Snow removal at the water dept for the county.

Flushing and Flow testing for the county.

Dragging at the park.

LANDS, BUILDINGS, DEVELOPMENT/ Cemetery:

Garrett Kurtz –

Garrett is going to get a couple quotes for replacing the cemetery building roof.

Joe Barlak sent an email to the Mayor and Office about his wife's burial.

The mayor informed the council about the correspondence he had with Joe Barylak. Mr. Barylak's wife died, was cremated, and given a "green burial" in the Village cemetery. Mr. Barylak claims that his wife was buried one spot over in his plot and consequently her location does not line up exactly with the names on the headstone. According to the funeral director, Mr. Barylak was present at the burial and either said nothing or agreed to the burial location. The burial apparently took place before the headstone arrived and was placed at the cemetery. Since his wife's burial was a "green burial" it is not possible to move her bamboo box over to the next plot. Mr. Barylak is demanding that the Village pay for a new headstone so the location of the names will line up with the location of the remains. Since there is no indication that the Village made a mistake, the mayor recommended that the Village not pay for a new headstone unless and until new facts come to light making it clear that the Village was at fault.

TREE COMMISSION:

Mia Lane-

There was standards for Tree City USA versus the board and committee. Spending at least \$2 on Urban Forestry and celebrating Arbor Day.

The tree committee is requesting from council \$2 from Capita for a 3-year plan. Requesting \$1,800 per year.

Motion to approve \$1800 a year from Mia Lane and 2nd by Tom Richter: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Call gas company about the gas line shut off valve by the end of the road.

Motion: to approve the tentative proposal for the 3-year plan by Mia Lane and 2nd by Garrett Kurtz: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

SAFETY & WELFARE:

Letter was sent to Sugarcreek PD for John Byler for sleeping at the park and having a young female that was of age with him. Police Protection needs approval for Homecoming weekend Aug 16-18th and for the 5K race Aug 17.

Motion: to approve 4 extra hours during he day by Tom Richter and 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

REGIONAL PLANNING:

No July meeting: per Resolution of Cooperation

COMPLIANCE OFFICER:

Mia Lane-
Thumbs up.

Motion: to approve the PNC bills report by Wayne Troyer and 2nd by Garrett Kurtz: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Dena Jones Burrier-

Need a motion to approve Richard to mow 105 S. Butler and to have this added to their taxes.

Motion: to approve Richard to mow and have added to their taxes by Bob Miller and 2nd by Wayne Troyer: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Village Fiscal Officer Training in Twinsburg, OH Oct 24, 2024.

Motion: to approve the \$100 registration and her hourly rate and mileage by Tom Miller and 2nd by Wayne Troyer: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

The village received checks from the Betty Balder Estate for the Cemetery and the Park. We as the Village are very grateful for the generous donation from MS Betty Balder and her will.

Mayor:

Doug Plyler-

District meeting for the county was on July 8, 2024, at 9am at the Village Hall. County does own the water now. Mayor signed all the deeds and lot splits and everything over to the Tuscarawas County Water and Sewer District. Easements are still being worked on and will be squared away here soon. The county is going to charge everyone a flat rate for the remainder portion of the year. The county read the meters 3 times and ran the numbers through their billing system and still came out with some weird numbers. Mayor asked them for print outs so he can do some comparing to our numbers and their numbers.

Mike Jones from the County is going to transfer \$200,000 from the grant funding to put a new tower behind Gerbers and get new meters for the Village.

Mayor asked for a motion to approve and authorize him to sign the letters for funds to be transferred to the Tuscarawas County water and sewer district.

Motion: to approve and authorize Mayor to sign the letters for funds to be transferred to the Tuscarawas County Water and Sewer District by Garrett Kurtz and 2nd by Mia Lane: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Motion: to Adjourn by Bob Miller and 2nd by Tom Richter: roll call vote five (5) ayes.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer