

VILLAGE OF BETHANY  
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
January 12, 2023

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Jon Book. The following Trustees were present; Dave Doty, Jeannie Ruppert, Mike Jennings, Greg McLain, and Raven Allen. Brian Gill was absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2022, regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve the "Statement of Income and Expenses", seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee McLain to approve the "Banks and Checks Journal", seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

**Public – John Diss; President of Findlay:** John came in to thank the Board and the Village employees for their assistance with a water main break on Christmas Eve that left the entire town of Findlay without water. 3 of our employees went above and beyond to help and it was greatly appreciated.

**Bethany Celebration Committee:** Cassandra Lambdin and Kaytie Orris came to turn in their liquor license application and present donation information. The Bethany Celebration will be June 23rd and 24th, 2023. Locations and beer tent will be the same. Last year, the Board contributed \$1,500 for fireworks and \$500 for an ad. A motion was made by Trustee Allen to make a contribution to the Bethany Celebration in the amount of \$1,500 for fireworks and \$500 for an ad to be paid from the Electric Fund, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Allen to approve the Special Event Liquor License for the Bethany Celebration for Friday, June 23rd from 5:00pm to 12:00am and Saturday, June 24th from 2:00pm to 12:00am, seconded by Trustee Doty. Toll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

**Greg Gustafson Water Improvement Project Update** - First anniversary inspection on the water tower will be this year, 2023, in June or July. We received a letter from the IEPA on the water main project. Greg also presented our EPA submittal letter that was submitted before Christmas. IEPA is in the process of reviewing the documents and has a 50-day window to do so. In that timeframe they will get back to us with their review. He also presented the plans and specs for the remaining projects.

**Zoning Ordinances/Code** - Tabled until next month.

**Crisis Pay for Certified Part-Time Officers** - This will be discussed in Executive Session.

**Hire of Auxiliary Police Officer** - This will be discussed in Executive Session.

**Property at 502 S Washington St.** - This will be discussed in Executive Session

**Employee Appreciation Dinner** - Tabled until next month.

**Reports** – Manager Shannon Risley and Chief Nichols

**Correspondence** – None

**Committee Meeting Dates** - None

Trustee Allen made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation and personnel seconded by Trustee McLain. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

Trustee McLain made a motion to enter back into Open Session, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carried

A motion was made by Trustee Allen to implement Crisis Pay for Part-Time Certified Police Officers for weekends or holidays in the amount of \$75.00 per shift and weeknights in the amount of \$50.00 per shift, seconded by Trustee Doty. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Allen to hire Adam Payne as an Auxiliary Police Officer with a pay rate of \$13.00 per hour to be paid out of the General Fund up to 40 hours a month with anything over to be approved by the Village President to take effect on February 1st, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Jennings-abstain (conflict of interest); McLain-yes; Allen-yes; Doty-yes; Ruppert-yes; motion carried.

With no other business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee McLain and seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica Henderson, Interim Clerk

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Jonathan Book, President