

Village of Castalia Council Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

The Village of Castalia Council met on December 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Kevin Nemitz called the meeting to order, and the following members were in attendance: James Johnson, Barbara Weyer, Jake Smith, Georgia Artrip. Mr. Nicholson was absent. Mr. Johnson made a motion to excuse Mr. Nicholson. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of 11/22/22. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous.

Mrs. Artrip made a motion to Approve the Finance Report of 12-11-22. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous

Mrs. Weyer made a motion to Approve the Pay Warrants from 11/30/22 to 12/11/22. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to Approve the Receipts of 11/30/22 to 12/11/22. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas unanimous.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve as amended Ordinance/Resolution 2022-20 An Ordinance Declaring that One 2004 Ford F5 Super Duty Truck and One Sixteen -Foot Trailer Owned by the Village of Castalia, Ohio, are No Longer Needed for Municipal Purposes. Mr. Johnson made a motion to Suspend the 2 Reading rule. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. Motion Carried. Mr. Johnson made a motion to Adopt Ordinance 2022-20 as an emergency. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. Motion Carried.

Zoning Inspector Tom Johnson gave the Council his report. He stated there was 1 shed permit, the Planning Commission is working on the Zoning Book, and it should be completed by Spring. There was a discussion on the lights on the streetlight poles. The sorority was upset about the lights not done on the poles. Council would like the businesses to notify the Council that they would like to use the Village's power. Council would like a letter sent to the businesses.

There was a discussion on the procedure for community events involving barricades. Mr. Tom Johnson stated his firefighters were told they had to install the barricades, that is not their job. The Council person in charge needs to notify everyone involved. There were many miscommunications about the procedures. Mr. Johnson stated the Village should not use the wood barricades as he has a price on plastic barrels and barricades: barrel \$58.00 each and 8-foot barricades at \$159.00 each. The barrels and barricades could be housed in the Village Hall. Mr. Nemitz stated the barrels/barricades will be discussed at future meetings.

Mr. Smith made a Motion to Purchase 6 Barricades and 20 Barrels for the Village. Mrs. Artrip seconded the Motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous.

Ms. Niehm informed Council that the insurance office requested if the Council wants to file a claim for the storm damage at the park that the deductible is \$5,000 and several photos will be needed for a claim.

There was a discussion on the future payments for snow/ice removal. Ms. Niehm stated she needs an invoice, and a check will be sent in the mail. Ms. Niehm stated the check for January would be released prior to January 15th.

Ms. Niehm stated she checked into the credit card for fuel for the truck. BP informed her they would need her Social Security number. Council said no one should give out their number.

Mr. Johnson stated Paul Fox told him the storm sewers will be done. The North Washington storm sewer needs cleaning. Mr. Johnson stated the CTL report of boring showed the sub grade on Adams and Lester are in poor shape based on ODOT standards.

ROUND TABLE

Mr. Nemitz stated he would like to hire Brett Kromer for events in the Village. Mr. Smith stated the Council needs to wait on that for now. Mrs. Weyer agreed.

Mr. Smith stated he and Mr. Johnson met with Township employee Bob Biglin regarding working with the Township, Mr. Smith stated he will work on a proposal over the winter.

Mr. Nemitz stated he will have Brett Kromer pick up the remaining bikes that are in the garage.

Everyone thanked Mr. Smith for the financial report.

Mrs. Weyer stated she updated the website, and she would like a Christmas photo for the website home page. Mrs. Weyer stated the communication with the Christmas in the Village was very frustrating. She received over 9 calls during the day and when an organization pays \$300 for the permit, they expect to get the service they paid for. There was a discussion on who will put and take down the barricades.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Denny Grahl informed Council the Doctors Kuns offered the land to the Village on Reed Court in exchange of paying for the title search. Mr. Grahl stated they requested this be done by the end of the year. Council thanked Mr. Grahl for the presentation. Mr. Sessler stated the streetlight on Cement Street is out. Mr. Nemitz stated the lights are out of stock now.

With no further business to come before the Council, Mrs. Weyer made a motion to go into Executive Session with no business to follow. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous. Council entered Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to exit the Executive Session and enter the Regular Session at 8:49 p.m. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: yeas, unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Kevin Nemitz
Kevin Nemitz, Mayor President of Council

Kathy Niehm
Kathy Niehm,
Fiscal Officer