

Village of Castalia

Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2024

The Village of Castalia Council met in Regular Session on May 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Castalia Hall located at 126 Main Street, Castalia, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Johnson with the following in attendance: Mayor Jim Johnson, Cindy Crawford, Si Nicholson, Jake Smith, and Barb Weyer. Mrs. Artrip was absent. Also present was Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm.

Ms. Niehm stated she made a typo on the Agenda-Pay Warrants should state 5/9/2024 to 5/26/2024.

Mrs. Weyer made a Motion to Excuse Mrs. Artrip from the meeting. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Nicholson made a Motion to Approve the 5/14/2024 Minutes. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith made a Motion to Approve the Finance Report, dated 5/26/2024. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Nicholson made a Motion to Approve the Pay Warrants, dated 5/9/2024 to 5/26/2024. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer made a Motion to Accept the Receipts, dated 5/9/2024 to 5/22/2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mayor Johnson led a discussion on the Operating Levy Renewal versus a Replacement. There was a \$12,000 difference in the amount between a Renewal and a Replacement as stated in the Certificates of Estimated Property Tax Revenues supplies by the Erie County Auditor's Office. Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Weyer, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Smith, Mayor Johnson all agreed it was best to ask the Village resident for a Renewal levy. **Mrs. Weyer made a Motion to ask Mr. Strickler to write an Ordinance to proceed with the Renewal Levy. Mr. Nicholson seconded the vote. Roll Call: Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Crawford, yes; Mr. Smith, yes. Motion carried.** Ms. Niehm stated she will contact Mr. Strickler and ask him to prepare the ordinance for the next Council meeting.

Zoning Inspector Tom Johnson stated he has an upcoming appointment with Tim King of ERPC for the Zoning Book. Mr. Johnson stated the property located at 315 Adams Street had been cleaned up and the property located at 711 Main Street still needs cleaned up. Mr. Johnson stated he would like to have a 2-drawer file cabinet in Village Hall for his documents.

There was a discussion on the traffic light on Route 269 and Main Street. Mayor Johnson stated he will contact John Schenk from National Light & Power to remove the arrow on the traffic light on Rt. 269 and Main Street and change to Right Turn on Red after Stop and to Yield to Pedestrians. Mayor Johnson stated Bob Biglin of Margareta Township and John Schenk will coordinate the change.

Mayor Johnson stated he contacted Josh Hula regarding the South Washington Street drainage project and also have him look at Lester Street drainage.

Mr. Johnson stated the gutters of the buildings had been cleaned. Mayor Johnson stated Erie County does not use the "Children Playing" signs as it is a liability issue.

There was a discussion on speed limits on roads in the Village. Bob Biglin suggested Pfeil Lane should drop the speed limit to 15 MPH. Mayor Johnson stated he will contact Mr. Strickler on lowering the speed limit on Pfeil Lane.

Mrs. Weyer stated she noticed the property located at 315 Adams is for sale. Mrs. Weyer also stated she attended the Margareta Township meeting last week with the Mayor.

Mr. Smith stated he has not heard back from Brad Link of Perkins Township on sweeping the Village streets.

Mrs. Crawford stated the Veteran plaque is back at the Village. Bob Biglin stated if the Village cannot get hardware he will see what it needs.


Mr. Nicholson stated there were no grants this year for a basketball pad and hoop for the park. Mrs. Weyer stated there is a liability for injury on Village property in parks. Ms. Niehm stated she will contact the insurance office for their input.

Public Participation

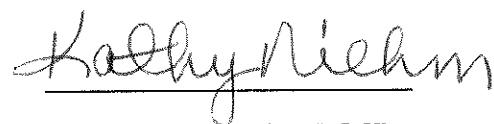
Tim Sessler stated there are vehicles located behind the Market.

Bob Biglin stated his staff sprayed the park today with Roundup.

With no further business to come before Council; Mr. Nicholson made a Motion to Adjourn. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.



James Johnson, Mayor



Kathy Niehm, Fiscal Officer