

VILLAGE OF CASTALIA

MEETING MINUTES

November 28, 2023

The Council of the Village of Castalia met in Regular Session on November 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall at 126 Main Street, Castalia, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Barb Weyer followed by Roll Call with the following in attendance: President Pro Tem Barb Weyer, Jake Smith, Georgia Artrip, Cindy Crawford, Si Nicholson, and Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm. Mayor Johnson was absent.

President Pro Tem Barb Weyer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Mrs. Artrip made a motion to Excuse Mayor Johnson. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Mr. Smith made a motion to Approve the 11/14/2023 Minutes. Mrs. Crawford seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Mr. Nicholson made a motion to Approve the Finance Report dated 11/26/2023. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Mrs. Artrip made a motion to Approve the Pay Warrants dated 11/26/2023. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Mrs. Artrip made a motion to Approve the Receipts dated 11/14/2023 to 11/26/2023. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Zoning Inspector Mr. Tom Johnson stated he met with Tim King of Erie Regional Planning Commission and he will contact the Mr. Randy Strickler regarding political sign issues. Mr. Johnson stated he received a complaint about the sign located at 514 Coffee House. The complaint was regarding a large bright light reflecting across the street. Mr. Johnson stated he spoke with the owner and they will either remove or reposition the light.

Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm stated the Village received a grant of \$3,500 Erie County Community Foundation for flashing speed limit signs and there needs to be a resolution to accept the grant amount. **Mr. Smith made a motion to accept the grant of \$3,500 from the Erie County Community Foundation to be used for flashing speed limit signs. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Crawford, yes. Motion Carried.** Ms. Niehm will deposit the check. Ms. Niehm stated with the end of the year spending needs to be essential only.

There was a discussion on permanent flashing signs. Council will speak to the sheriff for recommendation to give to the Ohio Department of Transportation. There will be discussion at the next Council meeting.

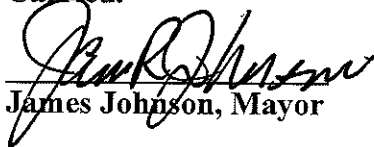
Mrs. Weyer stated the Mayor spoke with the sheriff regarding dirt bikes being used in the Village at all hours. The sheriff stated they have been responding to the complaints and are making progress.

There was a discussion on OPWC small business funding as it is in limbo.

Round Table

Mrs. Weyer thanked Jake for the budget update. Mr. Smith stated the Village Council committees list needs updated. Mrs. Crawford stated she will update the representative from ODOT and will get photographs of the traffic light box. Mrs. Artrip stated she was concerned for the safety for the Christmas in the Village program that will be on December 3, 2023 as the road will not be closed down during the program.

With no further business to come before Council, Mr. Nicholson made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, Unanimous. Motion Carried.


James Johnson, Mayor


Kathy Niehm, Fiscal Officer

