

**VILLAGE OF CASTALIA COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 26, 2022**

The Village of Castalia Council met in Regular Session on April 26, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Village Hall located at 126 Main Street, Castalia, Ohio. The following members were present: Mayor Kevin Nemitz, President James Johnson, Vice-President Si Nicholson, Jake Smith, and Barb Weyer. Georgia Artrip was absent.

Mr. Nicholson made a motion to excuse Georgia Artrip from the meeting. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the 4/12/2022 Minutes, as amended. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the Financial Report of 4/24/2022. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Nicholson made a motion to approve the Payment Warrants of 4/12/2022 to 4/24/2022. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Johnson yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Smith, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the Receipts from 4/12/2022 to 4/24/2022. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes. The motion carried.

New Business

Zoning Inspector Tommy Johnson was not in attendance.

Mr. Nicholson made a motion to Install a Door Lock on the Records Room Door, to Include Keys for the Mayor and Fiscal Officer and also a Spare Key. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith made a motion to Approve the Couch Located in the Meeting Room as Surplus and No Longer Needed. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer stated Village Counsel Randy Strickler reviewed the Village ordinances and he will recommend which ordinances need to be repealed or updated. After the review process the Council will need to meet in Regular Session to approve the ordinances. After the approval of the ordinances will need to be posted in 5 separate locations within the Village: post office, Margaretta Township office, Castalia Market, Village Hall window and one other location to be determined.

There was a discussion on records retention, Mr. Strickler commented that the Records Commission Committee needed to consist of: legal counsel, mayor or designee, fiscal officer, and one citizen. Presently Mr. Strickler is reviewing the Village Records Retention Schedule.

Mr. Johnson stated Paul Fox will need to return to fix the sink hole in front of the church in May and to also do yard repair where previous work was completed.

Mr. Johnson stated he will meet with 7L Construction to "walk" the Village streets to prioritize the streets that need to be completed. Mr. Johnson also stated there needs to be a 5-6 year plan on which streets need repaired.

There was a discussion on painting the crosswalks and school zones. It was decided that the road paving should be completed first and then the painting can be done on the crosswalks, school zones, and intersections.

Mr. Nemitz stated Tim Bach from Poggemeyer Design Group will be at the May 10, 2022 Council meeting to advise Council on the OPWC grant for Lester Street and Adams Street. Council members agreed they will look for the lowest and best offer when the project goes to bid.

Mr. Nicholson stated the renovations to Village Hall have been completed by Greg Cook of Mr. Fix It Handyman, LLC.

Round Table

There was a discussion regarding snow plowing and it was noted no salt was purchased last year. Mr. Nemitz stated Brett Kromer would like to purchase the remaining salt.

Mr. Johnson stated Mrs. Weyer did a great job purchasing the new Council chairs.

Mr. Smith stated the financial spreadsheet for 2021 is completed.

Mrs. Weyer stated there are utility vehicles (with license plates) trespassing on the Ohio Edison property. The Erie County Sheriff can charge the offenders for trespassing on the property. Mrs. Weyer stated she has heard good reviews on the Village newsletter.

Public Forum

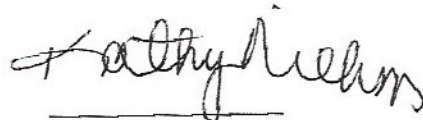
Randy Whyde asked about the Covid Cares Act reporting. Ms. Niehm stated she is working on that with Bob Day.

Cecil Duffett stated there is an issue with the road drainage at his property on Reid Court and it is getting worse. He would like the Village to check on the issue. Mr. Johnson stated the Village will have 7L Construction look into the issue.

With no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Nicholson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Kevin Nemitz
Mayor



Kathy Niehm
Fiscal Officer