

MINUTES

OHIOVILLE BOROUGH

COUNCIL MEMBERS

REGULAR MEETING

October 19, 2021

The Ohioville Borough Council met in regular session on October 19, 2021, at the Ohioville Borough Building Annex. The meeting was called to order by the President, Robert Ward at 7:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mr. Ward.

ATTENDANCE:

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Nick Girting
Lucas Hill
Richard Decker
John Szatkiewicz
Sherri Zibaila
Robert Ward
Mayor Kevin Chaffee

BOROUGH PERSONNEL:

Natalie Ollis, Borough Secretary/Treasurer
Paul A. Steff, Borough Solicitor
John Klein, Borough Engineer

Absent: Denise Cox

ACTION ON MINUTES:

On a motion by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Girting, it was moved to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2021, meeting. All answered yes to a roll call vote. The motion was carried.

BIDS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Girting

- Put one load of hot mix on Liberty Avenue
- Fixed ditches on Wildwood and Bieler's Run
- Cut grass at Parks, Lock 57, Cemetery's, and Fire Departments
- Moved trees from Ashwood, Engle Ext., Westwood, and Willowbrook
- Cleaned roads from the storms
- Cleaned up the Road Department Shop
- Took spreaders off all trucks and fixed one of the spreaders
- Prepared equipment for winter
- Can the bathrooms be closed and the water be shut off at the Ball Park

Mr. Ward noted to close the Ball Park now and continue to watch the weather for removal of the docks at Lock 57. Mr. Girting called an executive session at 7:33 pm. Mr. Ward called meeting back in order at 7:43 pm.

On a motion by Mr. Girting and seconded by Mr. Ward, it was moved to amend the agenda to include the hiring of a Road Department worker. Mr. Girting noted the Borough put an ad out looking to hire a Road Department worker, applications were collected and interviews followed. All answered yes to a roll call vote. The motion was carried.

On a motion by Mr. Girting and seconded by Mr. Szatkiewicz, it was moved to hire Mark Summerville for a full-time position with the Road Department. All answered yes to a roll call vote. The motion was carried. Mr. Ward noted that Natalie will follow up with the hiring process with the new hire. Mr. Ward stated winter commodities will need checked upon and how much remaining room is available for salt. Leonard will need to call around for Anti-Skid material.

FINANCE / OFFICE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Hill stated there is not a lot of change to the budget for 2022. A new account has been established for the monies received from The American Rescue Plan (ARP). The Finance committee will continue to work on the budget and look into the monies for Act 13 and The Cares Act. Mr. Chaffee stated the Fire Department and the Police Department will need to budget for new radios in the near future. Mr. Ward stated diesel fuel is a set rate and we only get charged for what we use. Mr. Hill will work with Natalie to create a spreadsheet for comparison from the past years with an added column for new budgeted items. Mr. Hill recommends having a discussion with your committee. The Finance Committee would like to meet at 7:00 pm at the next council meeting held Thursday November 4, 2021.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Szatkiewicz - No report

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE:

Mr. Szatkiewicz noted that within the next six weeks a scheduled meeting will be held with the gas company to pass a petition for an extended infrastructure. The 4 lights still remain out at Lock 57.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Fire Committee - No report

Police Committee – Mr. Ward stated the Police Department ammunition supply for next year in the amount of \$1,534.70 will need to be ordered from Markl Supply Company this year and will go on the 2022 budget.

On a motion by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mr. Girting it was moved to purchase the ammunition in the amount of \$1,534.70. All answered yes to a roll call vote. The motion was carried.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Zibaila stated a motion was made on September 7, 2021, to accept the quote of \$10,000.00 for the electrical renovations at the Ballfields for the building and pavilion from Tech Electric. Tech Electric stated there would be an increase of \$1,400.00 due to the supply of materials.

On a motion by Mrs. Zibaila and seconded by Mr. Ward it was moved to resend the September 7, 2021, motion and to rebid in the spring. All answered yes to a roll call vote except Mr. Szatkiewicz who answered no. The motion was carried.

Mr. D'Egidio with the Fairview Grange spoke about upcoming events.

- Trunk or Treat will be held October 30, 2021, from 6-8 pm. No games will be provided in the grange. There will be judging for the scariest and most original cars decorated. No registration will be needed. Prizes will be awarded of cash and gift cards.
- Auctions will start back up in November and will be held every first and third Thursday of every month.

- Saturday November 20, 2021, will be the Christmas Auction. Time - TBD
- December 18, 2021, will be the Santa Parade. Time – TBD
- House Lighting - TBD
- Grange rentals are available for the building and pavilion with a fee of \$100.00 and a refundable cleaning deposit of \$25.00.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Mayor Chaffee - No report

Secretary - No Report

Treasurer - No Report

Planning Commission - Meeting will be held Wednesday November 3, 2021, at 7:30 pm.

Emergency Coordinator - No Report

Borough Solicitor – No report

Borough Engineer – No report

Sewage Enforcement Officer - No Report

Tax Collector - No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

ACTION ON BILLS:

Bill List #18 submitted for approval.

MOTION TO APPROVE SUBMITTED BILL LIST #18:

On a motion by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Girting it was moved to approve Bill List #18. All answered yes to a roll call vote. The motion was carried.

ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS: None

APPROVAL OF PLANS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: None

ACTION ON COMMUNICATIONS: None

AWARDING OF BIDS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

On a motion by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mr. Szatkiewicz it was moved to change the council meeting due to the election from Tuesday November 2, 2021, to Thursday November 4, 2021, at 7:30 pm. All answered yes to a roll call vote. The motion was carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rocco Uccellini of Tuscarawas Road asked why the borough doesn't sponsor the little league baseball teams. Mr. Ward stated the borough does not sponsor any sporting events and that the borough has always maintained and made updates to the dug outs and fences at the ball fields.

Bob Knallay of 6308 Tuscarawas Road asked what the holes in the yards are from and why the community wasn't notified. Mr. Ward stated he heard it was FIOS.

Dominic D'Egidio of 6299 Tuscarawas Road asked who needs to make the call to Duquesne Light about the lights at Lock 57. Mr. Ward stated it is a low priority for Duquesne Light and if more people called in to complain, it may get resolved quicker. Dominic also stated that hats are removed for the Pledge of Allegiance and asked why it is necessary for some to continue to put the hat back on.

Jessica Janicki of 193 Windover Drive asked what the stipulation of the Cares Act monies are that the borough received and she believes they need to be accounted for by December 31, 2021. Mr. Ward stated he did not know the answer at the moment but believed it was handled in the spring.

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING:

There being no other business, on a motion by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mr. Girting, it was moved to adjourn at 8:28 pm, and will meet on Thursday, November 4, 2021, for the regular meeting at the Ohioville Borough Building Annex. All answered aye in favor - the motion was carried unanimously. There were 8 individuals in attendance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalie Ollis
Secretary/Treasurer