Village of Custar, Ohio

Minutes from **March 9, 2022**

Regular Council Meeting

Council President Renee Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:33pm. Mayor Cavin was absent.

Council members Cheryl Vanscoder, Dee Bates, Dawn Berry, and Brian Cron were all present.

The minutes from the previous meeting (2/9/22) were reviewed by council. Ms. Berry made a motion to approve them as read, which was seconded by Ms. Bates; all were in favor.

All members of the BPA were in attendance until 7:47pm.

* Barb noted that the bills this month (Feb usage) will be a little bit higher since the January bills were estimated; Jerry was unable to get out and read meters while on medical leave.
* Since past due amounts can no longer be assessed to property taxes, they’ll need to go back to shutting off service for delinquent customers. We’ll first need to have a written procedure in place. Barb and Sarah will be meeting with the solicitor to work on this.

Maintenance employee **Jim Beaupre** was in attendance until 7:48pm.

He suggested the addition of a fence around the recycling area to prevent trash from blowing into nearby yards when the bins are full. In order to do so, we would need to organize a meeting of the recycling reps from each community (Milton Center, Milton Twp, & Custar) and discuss plans. The need for an additional container was also mentioned, as well as the possibility of asking that another location be added somewhere in the township. The Fiscal Officer will write a letter to the WCSWD to address our capacity issues and offer possible solutions.

Fiscal Items:

* Council reviewed the payment register for 2/10/22-3/9/22, which included:

 Regular check #’s 14138-14142, totaling $5,239.00

 Payroll check #’s 14125-14137, totaling $1,507.61

 6 EFT payments, totaling $26,444.42

Ms. Bates made a motion for approval, and Mr. Cron seconded; all were in favor.

* Council then reviewed the February 2022 financial reports. Mrs. Vanscoder made a motion for approval, which was seconded by Ms. Berry; all were in favor.
* Ordinance 2022-2, to prohibit the placement/use of rail box storage containers within the Village limits (for a period longer than 90 days), received the third/final reading. Ms. Bates made a motion for passage and Mrs. Vanscoder seconded. A roll call vote was taken, with all in favor.
* Ordinance 2022-3, to regulate traffic in excess of 6 tons received the third/final reading. After the previous reading, the wording in Section 3 was amended to include all side streets and alleys (this includes all roadways within village limits, except for 281). Mrs. Vanscoder made a motion for passage, Ms. Berry seconded, and all were in favor; ordinance passed.
* The Fiscal Officer informed council that we received an additional $38.47 in ARPA monies, which was the reallocated portion for the entities that did apply for funding.

Committee Business

Committee assignments were given, based off of the interest sheets previously submitted. This year’s committees are as follows:

* Finance- Cheryl Vanscoder, Renee Hartman, & VACANCY
* Parks & Recreation- Renee Hartman, Dawn Berry, & Brian Cron
* Safety- Dee Bates, Cheryl Vanscoder, & Dawn Berry
* Streets/Sidewalks- Dawn Berry, Brian Cron, & Dee Bates
* Recycling- Renee Hartman, Dee Bates, & VACANCY
* Water & Sewer- Brian Cron, Cheryl Vanscoder, & VACANCY

**Parks & Rec**-

* Jim will be able to move the rocks from Rob’s neighbor’s house over to the park if given about 2 days’ notice beforehand.
* Roger will work with Jim next week to move the park equipment items indoors so he can start putting them together. Once the tables are finished, they’ll get them put in the shelter house. They will shoot for early May to install the grill.
* Roger will be able to do the mower maintenance this year, which will save us a few hundred dollars.

**Streets**-

* There’s an orange barrel by the problem spot on Custar Road until it can be fixed.
* The Mayor will contact Dave Steiner and/or Dave Kuhn for an update on the Custar Rd project.

**Zoning**- The Mayor needs to schedule the annual committee spring meeting.

**Recycling**-

* Renee went to D&D to look at rocks for the area near the recycling drive. There were several sizes, but they have not yet called her back with pricing.
* The bins are still off in the grass area, and need to be put back onto the pavement. The Mayor will be reminded to contact WCSWD.

Other Business:

* Habitat for Humanity confirmed that they do not want the property on High Street. The Fiscal Officer will contact the solicitor to go over what we need to do to list it for sale.
* Council scheduled the Community Garage Sales for May 6th and 7th. They decided to do another trash drop-off this year, which we will plan to hold the following Saturday (May 14th). These items will be included in the spring newsletter, which will go out after the next meeting.

No further business was brought before council.

At 8:28pm, Ms. Bates made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Berry seconded; all were in favor.

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