Village of Custar, Ohio

Minutes from **November 8, 2023**

Regular Council Meeting

Council President Renee Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:31pm. Council members Dawn Berry, Cheryl Vanscoder, Dee Bates, Brian Bush, and Brian Cron were present. Mayor Rob Cavin was absent.

The minutes from the 9/13/23 and 10/11/23 meetings were presented to council for review. Ms. Bates moved to approve both as read, which was seconded by Mrs. Vanscoder; all were in favor.

BPA Business

All members were in attendance for the full meeting.

Mr. Clink noted that they will be working on getting the Christmas decorations put up soon.

Fiscal Items:

* Council then reviewed the payment register for 10/12/23-11/8/23, which included:

Regular check #’s 14575-14582, totaling $10,980.57

Payroll check #’s 14560-14574, totaling $2,920.29

6 EFT payments, totaling $16,788.71

Mrs. Vanscoder moved to approve the payment register, seconded by Ms. Bates; all were in favor.

* The financial reports for October 2023 were presented to council for review. Ms. Bates made a motion for approval, and Ms. Berry seconded; all were in favor.
* Resolution 2023-16R, to authorize the $1 purchase of the real property from the Custar Veteran’s Memorial, Inc, received the second reading. The solicitor completed the purchase agreement draft, which was reviewed by the Legion leadership. A few minor tweaks are being made, and a copy will be ready for council’s review at the next meeting.
* Our audit for 2021/2022 has been finalized and is now available to view online.

Committee Business

* **Parks & Rec:** Renee has received some unofficial / handwritten specs for the larger gazebo, stating that it is 120 lbs per square foot; however, there was no info included to back this up. The person she spoke with at the WC Engineer’s office wasn’t sure if it was a 100 or a 150 pound limit. Ms. Berry suggested that we put this aside until we find out whether or not we get the grant.
* **Streets/Sidewalks:** Roger recently cleaned up the area at the corner of 281 with all of the walnut debris. We might start looking for a company to do this next year, unless we end up getting the front-end loader attachment for the mower. It might be a good time to look at pricing for these now, since it’s the end of the season.

Other Business:

* Mayor Rob recently attended the Wood County Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting. The plan for us to approve should be coming out soon.
* Ms. Berry brought information on an organization that would provide food for the food pantry. Sarah will check this out and/or pass it along to St. Louis.
* Renee will ask Shawn if she would be interested in taking care of cleaning the Legion building on a regular basis (and checking it after rentals) once we own it. We will also need someone to take care of the rental process. Sarah was asked to contact our insurance company to see whether or not alcohol is allowed to be consumed at parties by those renting out the building.
* Council members were given printouts of the Open Meetings part of the Sunshine Law, as well as a few applicable sections of the Ohio Ethics Law.

No further business was brought before council.

At 7:58pm, Ms. Bates made a motion to adjourn, and Mrs. Vanscoder seconded; all were in favor.

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