



COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.
BRIDGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY & ZOOM

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Commissioners of Bridgeville was held on February 12, 2024, at 7:00 PM, at the Bridgeville Public Library, and via Zoom.

The following were present:

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| Tom Carey | President |
| Tom Moran | President Pro Tempore |
| Marlene Saunders | Secretary |
| John Tomeski | Commissioner |
| Clifford Oliver | Commissioner |
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| Bethany DeBussy | Town Manager |
| Greg Morris | Town Solicitor |
| Burke Parker | Chief of Police |

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by President Carey.

QUORUM PRESENT:

President Moran reported that a quorum was present to conduct Town business.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Oliver and seconded by Commissioner Saunders to approve the agenda. Motion carried: 4 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Commissioner Moran to approve the minutes from January 8th and January 29th, seconded by Commissioner Oliver. Motion carried: 4 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No new correspondence.

FINANCIALS STATEMENTS:

Town Manager DeBussy read the following information from the September Financial reports:

Balance Sheet-

- General Fund-\$515,412.00
- All Accounts - \$9,278,577.00

Accounts Receivable - \$61,972.34

- Income - \$1,917,930.00
- Expenses - \$1,253,685.00

Accounts Payable-

- The Town paid bills totaling \$88,320.41 in January.

TOWN REPORTS:

Town Department reports were reviewed and discussed by the Commissioners and Town Manager DeBussy.

CITIZENS PRIVILEGE:

Holly Smack- Ms. Smack commented that the property at 115 First Street has received several code violations in the last 3 years. She hopes the new nuisance ordinance will help resolve the issues the property has, and would like to be kept in the loop of the progress. Town Manager DeBussy and Chief Parker assure her that the new ordinance will help with the violations at the property. The timeline listed in the ordinance will be followed, but specifics regarding the communication with the property owner is not public knowledge.

Darryn Harris, 55 Church St- Mr. Harris thanked Commissioner Saunders for her years of service on the Commission.

OLD BUSINESS:

No new business.

NEW BUSINESS

FY23 Financial Statements-Lank Johnson and Tull

Rick Tull presented the FY23 Financial Statements/Audit. Mr. Tull assured the Commission the Town finances looked “healthy,” and appeared to be trending up.

A motion was made to approve the FY23 Audit by Commissioner Moran; seconded by Commissioner Saunders. Motion carried: 4 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

Grant-In-Aid/Donations

A new request was received from Cornerstone Community Center.

Commissioners Carey, Moran, Oliver, and Tomeski donated \$100 to Cornerstone Community Center. Commissioner Saunders donated \$400 to Cornerstone Community Center.

A motion was made to donate \$800 to the Cornerstone Community Center by Commissioner Carey and seconded by Commissioner Tomeski. Motion carried: 4 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

NEW BUSINESS

Misc.

No miscellaneous items.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION/ORDINANCES:

A Resolution to amend the FY24 Operating Budget was read into the record.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Commissioner Oliver asked when the new ordinance would be available on the e360 code website. Town Manager DeBussy states the ordinance is on the Town website, but updates for the e360 code website take place once a year and new ordinances are only shown in the notices bar until then. Commissioner Oliver also mentioned a discussion had at the SCAT dinner regarding the proposed new law for DNREC tax.

Commissioner Saunders stated her sorority AKA is still interested in cleaning up the railroad. Town Manager DeBussy stated there were some legal issues that would need to be discussed prior to that starting.

Commissioner Tomeski thanked the Commissioners that attended the annual Fire Company dinner. The equipment that the Emergency Funds were allotted for have been purchased and will be arriving soon.

Commissioner Carey thanked Commissioner Saunders for her service to the Commission and the Town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm by Commissioner Tomeski, seconded by Commissioner Moran. Motion carried: 4 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene Saunders, Commission Secretary

Shelley Lambden, Transcriptionist