Village of Cement City Council Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2025 7:00 p.m. Village Hall Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Cement City Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance: 3 Citizens present. Members present: John Weber, Jennifer Porter, Triston Perry and Terry Monatague were in attendance. Blakley was absent. Clerk Carol Ladd and Treasurer Chari Cure were present.

Departments

Police: Columbia Township Chief Niles reported.

Guest Speaker-

<u>Minutes Reviewed</u>- Regular Meeting minutes of the 12-12-24 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Weber, second by Montague to accept the Regular minutes. Ayes all, motion passed.

Receipt of Treasurer's Report-Report reviewed by all. Motion made by Weber, second by Perry to accept the December Report subject to audit. Ayes by all, motion passed.

<u>Presentation of Existing Bills</u>- Motion made by Weber, second by Montague, to pay existing bills. Ayes by all, motion passed.

Staff Progress Reports-

DPW: DPW continues to work on village needs. Sand and salted roads. Repair work is needed but it is too cold. Looking into 25 mph signage. Work should begin in two weeks for the John Deere.

Zoning/Bldg: None.

Planning: The Planning Committee will meet January 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Special Project Coordinator: Cure presented a verbal quote on needed road work as the grant was not awarded. Another plan would be to skip pave needed sections to include roads south of the village at Lewis Rd. and another section on Major Streets. The first part of the plan would total \$56,434. The second section would include repairs to Vicary Rd. near DG and would be an additional cost of \$5,000. Motion made by Weber, second by Montague to approve skip paving plan with JCRC for up to \$70,000 from the Major Street Fund to include the additional section near DG. All ayes, motion passed.

<u>Old Business</u> -Council reviewed the findings of the Planning Commission Hearing to adopt the Proposed Master Plan. The Planning Committee adopted the Resolution of Planning Commission for the proposed master plan on December 16, 2024 with ayes by Polyblank, Vescelius, and Blakley. No nays were heard. Cratsenburg was absent and Williams had recently offered his resignation and the position was not yet filled. The secretary of the Planning Commission submitted a copy to the Village Council. The Village council was presented a Resolution of Village Council for Adoption of Master Plan. Motion made by Montague second by Weber to approve the

Council Resolution to accept the 2023 Master Plan. A roll call vote was taken: Weber, yes; Montague, yes; Perry, yes; Porter, yes. All ayes, motion passed.

Clerk to send Resolutions of the Planning Commission and Village Council to Region 2.

New Business – Motion made by Weber, second by Montague to remove outgoing officer from bank accounts and to add Jennifer Porter to the accounts. Ayes by all, motion passed.

Golf cart ordinances were presented from Woodstock Twp. Council to consider ordinances with a few changes. For example, can the privilege be revoked? How would inspections incur? Council to continue to update ideas in the upcoming months. A citizen spoke in favor of safety inspections.

Motion made by Montague, second by Weber to accept the agreement presented for a code officer with clarification on insurance costs/needs. Ayes by all, motion passed.

Zoning/Legal to consider blight ordinance as route to pursue legal action at Perrin Street.

<u>Public Participation-</u> A citizen spoke in favor of golf cart ordinances.

Good & Welfare Motion made by Weber, second by Montague to adjourn at 7:51. Ayes all, motion passed.

Submitted by Carol Ladd, Clerk

Approved by Jennifer Porter, President