

Village of Cement City Council Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2023

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: 6 Citizens present. Members present: Mel Cure, Cathy Senkewitz, John Weber, Dustin Blakley, and Dave Vescelius. Treasurer Chari Cure and Clerk Carol Ladd were present.

Departments

Police: Columbia Township reported.

Guest Speaker-Welcome Mrs. Campau inquiring about residential to commercial zoning on the corner lot. There is an issue in insuring the property that says current zoning would not allow for a rebuild in the event of destruction. Senkewitz asked for time to look into legalities of rezone. Cure stated that he has inquired with the Village lawyer and that the owner is able to continue use as a non-conforming residential use. Campau is asking the village to figure out a way to rezone. No zoning requests are on file.

Minutes Reviewed- Regular Meeting minutes of the 4-13-23 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Vescelius to accept the Regular minutes. Ayes all, motion passed.

Receipt of Treasurer's Report-Report reviewed by all. Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Vescelius to accept the April Report subject to audit. Ayes by all, motion passed.

Presentation of Existing Bills- Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Vescelius, to pay existing bills with the authorization to pay Addison Fire Dept via West Shore \$225 siren allotment. Pre-Authorization for Quickbooks payroll up to \$600 was also added as a late addition. All ayes, motion passed.

Staff Progress Reports-

DPW: Thank you to Brian Wheaton for filling in for some mowing detail and additional needs. Special thanks to Tim Wheaton as he works on parade planning. The group is looking for additional volunteer hours to clean graffiti off the bridge. Chief Niles may have someone to report.

Zoning: The zoning department continues to look at zoning and blight ordinances.

Planning: The Planning Committee will meet again June 5 at 7:00 p.m.

Special Project Coordinator: Cure is looking into signage for pedestrian traffic/safety concerns at the bridge.

Old Business -Village residents are invited to participate in Clean Up Day on May 20. Proof of residency required.

New Business -A May budget preview was presented per the charter. A Truth in Taxation Hearing will be held at the Budget Meeting June 8 at 6:30 p.m. It will take place just before the Regular Meeting at the Village Hall.

FYI: The Village published the Noxious Weeds Ordinance as per the charter.

Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Vescelius to have a parade on Memorial Day and to close the roads for public safety. Ayes all, motion passed.

Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Vescelius to order a port-a-john for the summer for park usage and an additional one at the hall for the parade day. Ayes all, motion passed.

Public Participation- A citizen spoke in concern for blight and safety at the vacant lot at Woodstock and Vicary.

Good & Welfare Mr. Karnaz presented the results for President for a Day and would like to add the ceremony to the June Meeting. A guest speaker will be in attendance to make a presentation, hand out certificates and to present a resolution for the event.

Motion made by Cure, second by Vescelius to adjourn at 8:40. Ayes all, motion passed.

Submitted by Carol Ladd, Clerk

Approved by Mel Cure, President