

Village of Cement City Council Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2022

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: Zachery Karnaz, Cathy Senkewitz, Jeff Cratsenburg, John Weber and Carrie Shafer. Treasurer Chari Cure and Clerk Carol Ladd were present.

Departments

Police: Chief Niles reported.

Guest Speaker-Welcome Scott Truman of Granger Refuse Truman offered family owned company values and would be interested in servicing garbage refuse in the village. He says our current rate is a similar cost. Recycling is currently unavailable.

Minutes Reviewed- Regular Meeting minutes of the 7-19-22 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Weber, to accept the Regular minutes. Ayes all, motion passed. Special meeting minutes of 7-14-22 were reviewed. Motion made by Cratsenburg, second by Weber to accept the minutes. Ayes all, motion passed.

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

Presentation of Existing Bills- Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Cratsenburg, to pay existing bills. All ayes, motion passed.

Staff Progress Reports-

DPW: Storm Clean-up took place. Wheaton seeking quotes for tree trimming on Woodstock.

Zoning: Terry continues to work on zoning blight issues. No tickets yet but continue with communication. Letters to go out soon for those who have not attempted improvements. Woodstock Township will host a fall clean-up Saturday, October 8th from 8:00 a.m. - noon.

Planning: The Planning Committee will meet 10/3/22 at 7:00 at the Village Hall.

Special Project Coordinator: Cure is working with the Township for special park funding potential at the bridge. Also, looking in speed radar for better communication.

Old Business –Frontier Communication/Metro Act permit needs have been finalized.

A discussion took place in regards to the Lenawee Cares petition to add language to the November ballot regarding medical marijuana. In light of the request, Council suggested that the planning commission look at potential industrial zoning areas.

Motion made by Weber, second by Senkewitz to accept the Lenawee Cares petition subject to state regulations for the November Ballot. A Roll Call vote took place. Senkewitz, yes; Cratsenburg, yes; Shafer, yes; Weber, yes; Karnaz, yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Headlee ballot language was forwarded to the County Clerk.

Council revisited insurance needs for non-monetary professional liability coverages. Motion made by Cratsenburg, second by Weber to increase the village's coverage to \$250,000. All ayes, motion passed.

New Business –Paperwork was presented in regards to a potential village boundary land annexation. Council to look at creative ways to fund a sidewalk to commercial areas outside the village. Council to look into how taxes may affect citizens in the case of annexation.

Petitions for Village Office were reviewed. Per the charter, 6 nominations are suggested. Council nominated Ryan McElvey and Thomas Polyblank for potential office. Motion by Senkewitz, second by Cratsenburg to send letters of invitation to run for public office. All ayes, motion passed.

Public Participation- None.

Good & Welfare The Village of Cement City would like to thank you for your comments and attendance. Motion made by Senkewitz, second by Cratsenburg to adjourn at 8:40. Ayes all, motion passed.

Submitted by Carol Ladd, Clerk

Approved by Zachery Karnaz, President