## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## VILLAGE OF QUNCY COUNCIL MEETING

## **REGULAR SESSION**

HELD: FEBRUARY 16, 2021

The regular Village of Quincy Council meeting convened from 7:30 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. at 503 S. Carlisle Street, Quincy, Ohio. Mayor Daniel Robinson called the meeting to order with the following Council members, employees, and visitors present:

MILLARD SHAFFER	PRESENT	MARILANE FRY	PRESENT
ROBERT WARD	ABSENT	JOHN HICKMAN	PRESENT
BRUCE STOTLER	PRESENT	CHERYL LOZIER	PRESENT

EMPLOYEES: SANDRA WARD FISCAL OFFICER

VISITORS: DEB MORRISON

Mayor Robinson opened the meeting with an invitation to join in The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and reciting of The Lord's Prayer.

The Fiscal Officer presented each Council member with a list of bills ready for payment, fund balances, delinquent utility users, and the January 2021 utility deposit.

The minutes of the regular February 2, 2021 Village of Quincy Council meeting were e-mailed to each Council member for review, corrections, and approval to allow the minutes to be entered into the permanent records of the Village of Quincy as prepared by the Fiscal Officer. John Hickman made a motion to approve the minutes as prepared by the Fiscal Officer for the February 2, 2021 regular Village of Quincy Council meeting and allow them to be entered into the permanent records of the Village of Quincy. Marilane Fry seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Millard Shaffer Aye, Marilane Fry Aye, Robert Ward Absent, John Hickman Aye, Bruce Stotler Abstain due to absence at the February 2, 2021 meeting, and Cheryl Lozier Aye! The motion was approved.

A listing of bills ready for payment was reviewed as part of the report package. Cheryl Lozier made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills presented for payment. Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Millard Shaffer Aye, Marilane Fry Aye, John Hickman Aye, Bruce Stotler Aye, and Cheryl Lozier Aye. The motion was approved.

The Fiscal Officer reported that she had received an e-mail from Steve Fansler Solicitor stating that he was unable to attend the meeting. He forwarded two items for the Quincy Council to review and discuss. The first item was notification that Mr. Fansler had received an affidavit from John Short in Florida regarding ownership of the property and trailer on State Route #235. The affidavit stated that Mr. Short had signed the land and trailer over to Diana and Josh Short several years prior but they had

not transferred the deed or title to the property and trailer. Since that time all the metal from the trailer has been removed and a wooden shell with trash and weeds have been left as an eyesore on State Route #235. The Mayor has tried to request help from Diana and Josh Short. They stated they had nothing to do with the trailer and would not help with any type of clean-up. The Village has contacted a salvage company to remove the frame and clean up the trash and weeds. When the owner went to do an estimate of cost for cleanup the Short's ordered him to leave the property. The cost of the frame removal and cleanup will be assessed to real estate taxes of the property owner. At this time the Council again discussed the situation and determined that property owners are responsible for anything left on the property they own. With the affidavit it was determined that there is a need for another estimate or two and the matter be brought back to Council to move forward with cleanup. John Hickman made a motion to move forward with obtaining more estimates. Cheryl Lozier seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Millard Shaffer Aye, Marilane Fry Aye, John Hickman Aye, Bruce Stotler Aye, and Cheryl Lozier Aye. The motion was approved.

The second item Mr. Fansler sent was regarding a \$600.00 yearly fee being requested by the Indiana Ohio Railway. Mr. Fansler and the Fiscal Officer have been in contact with the railroad several times. At first no one could explain the reason for the charge. A contract was then presented where former Mayor Brian Carpenter had signed the agreement pledging a \$600.00 fee for allowing the Village of Quincy to replace a utility for storm drainage under the railroad. The agreement stated that the Mayor and Fiscal Officer or Village Administrator needed to sign the agreement. The agreement was only signed by the Mayor. At this time nothing could be found in minutes around September 16, 2019 approving such an agreement and the Fiscal Officer did not remember agreeing to this commitment. Mr. Fansler stated that he felt that in Ohio a former Mayor cannot commit a Village for a long term commitment like the \$600.00 without action of Council or an ordinance entering into the agreement. The letter was from a litigation firm representing the railroads interest and stated that if more evidence was not presented the Village needs to honor the agreement and if not paid would be considered in default of the agreement and the installed line would need to be removed. Council had several questions regarding the situation and felt a discussion needed to be held with the Solicitor being present. The Solicitor suggested that due to the costs involved in going to Court with this matter might be better to just pay the agreement but would be willing to do whatever the Village decided to do. The Council determined to place this item under advisement as Mr. Fansler would be attending the second meeting.

The Fiscal Officer then presented the 2021 Appropriation for review and final approval. She noted that larger carryover balances from 2020 allowed for bigger fund balances for appropriation. She stated that she did not allow for increase in funds received but pretty much budgeted receipts the same. The 2021 General Fund Appropriation was for 223.003.79 and the entire 2021 Appropriation was for \$1,113,624.12. After review and discussion John Hickman made a motion to approve the 2021 Appropriation Ordinance 2021-1 and allow the Appropriations be submitted to the Logan County Auditor. Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Millard Shaffer Aye, Marilane Fry Aye, John Hickman Aye, Bruce Stotler Aye, and Cheryl Lozier Aye. The motion was approved.

A quote was received from Solman Electric to replace the present lights with energy efficient lights at the Rescue Building. The Council was aware of the need to do work on the electric panels due to the increased need for power to add the touchless systems in the building. At this time there is not enough space in the panels to add more sources of electric. The matter was tabled until the Administrator could be present to discuss the matter.

The Fiscal Officer then reported that she had been in contact with Low Voltage regarding the security system to be installed to determine where things were with the project. She reported that part of the system was on order and they would be checking as to where the orders were and get back with the Village. When the equipment arrived they would make contact with the Village to get started on the install.

A quote was reviewed from Strayer Plumbing and Heating regarding the installation of the touchless part of the toilet chambers. After review of the quote John Hickman made a motion to proceed with the installation of the touchless equipment. Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Millard Shaffer Aye, Marilane Fry Aye, John Hickman Aye, Bruce Stotler Aye, and Cheryl Lozier Aye. The motion was approved.

The Fiscal Officer then opened a discussion regarding the creation of a website for the Village of Quincy. The Fiscal Officer stated that she had met with Ben Robinson the website developer to review information. Mr. Robinson was informed of the problems that had occurred when opening the design of the creation of a logo for the website to the community. After review and discussion the Fiscal Officer suggested that colors and logo move away from the red and blue for Riverside School or Orange and Black for Quincy Trojans and go with something universal. The Village of Quincy was founded due to the crossing of two independent railroads going through the Village. Some old pictures of the old Morgan Tower and railroads in the Village were reviewed and Mr. Robinson gathered ideas and sent some logo designs and a preview of the look of the website. Mr. Hickman hooked up the internet so that the logos and website could be reviewed. After review it was unanimous that the picture Mr. Robinson had taken of a D.T. & I. engine taken from the Liberty Street crossing was good and voted to go with the logo of an old engine going through the Q in Quincy with tracks and the year the town was incorporated vertical in front of the engine was the best logo.

Mayor Robinson reported that it is possible that Eric Ordean of Miami Street has moved from the Village. All the campers and vehicles but one have been removed from the property. The Fiscal Officer reported that water service needs shut off right away as the bill is delinquent. This will end the need to clean the property up at this time.

The Lance Dungeon property on Mill Street had been given a warning to clean up the property again. The Steve Scot property on Main Street has pulled in another vehicle and not moved the fifth wheel camper from the front of a trailer at this time and needs to be moved forward.

A review of utility shut off was then discussed. At this time it is not possible to shut off utilities due to heavy snow and freezing temperatures.

A vehicle was presented as a problem at the Methodist Church Parking lot. An unlicensed vehicle has been left in the parking lot for a long period of time. Mayor Robinson will review the matter and go forward with whatever needs to be done.

Cheryl Lozier presented a new app that is very helpful and provides a lot of local information. The app is get help now heart download for Logan County.

Bruce Stotler reported to hold up on the food service license purchase as ball season has not been determined at this time. He stated that he would let the Council know as soon as possible.

Mayor Robinson then adjourned the meeting. A reminder of the Joint Sewer Plant Committee was given for March 1, 2021 at 7:00p.m at the Quincy Community Building due to Corona Virus Pandemic. The Asset Management meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on March 2, 2021 before the regular Village of Quincy Council Meeting at 7:30p.m., both at the Quincy Community Building.

DANIEL ROBINSON MAYOR SANDRA WARD FISCAL OFFICER

MILLARD SHAFFER MARILANE FRY

**ABSENT** 

ROBERT WARD JOHN HICKMAN

BRUCE STOTLER CHERYL LOZIER

All formal actions of the Village of Quincy Council concerning and relative to the adoption of resolutions, ordinances and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public in compliance with the law, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.