

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR VILLAGE OF QUINCY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

HELD: MARCH 5, 2024

The regular Village of Quincy Council meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. until 9:12 p.m. at the Quincy Community building located at 503 S. Carlisle Street, Quincy, Ohio. The following members, employees, and visitors were present for the meeting:

MILLARD SHAFFER	PRESENT	DAWN SMITH	PRESENT
ROBERT WARD	PRESENT	JOHN HICKMAN	ABSENT
MORGAN COLLIER	PRESENT	SHERYL HATFIELD	PRESENT

EMPLOYEES: MIKE WEBER ADMINISTRATOR, SANDRA WARD FISCAL OFFICER, STEVEN FANSLER SOLICITOR

VISITORS: DEB MORRISON, TERRY BRENTLINGER DEGRAFF POLICE CHIEF

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

Reports were not available for this meeting due to year end preparations and time constraints.

The minutes of the February 20, 2024 meeting were presented to each Council meeting and some physical minutes for Council to review, discuss, correct, and final approval. Dawn Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and allow these minutes to be entered into the permanent records of the Village of Quincy. Sheryl Hatfield seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Millard Shaffer Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Robert Ward Aye, Morgan Collier Abstain due to absence from the February 20, 2024 meeting, and Sheryl Hatfield Aye. The minutes were approved.

The Fiscal Officer reported receipt of the AMENDED OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES. The total of the certificate is \$977,563.40 for 2024 and represents the amount available for all appropriations. Bob Ward made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the Appropriation Ordinance as an emergency. Dawn Smith seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Shery Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved. Robert Ward then made a motion to approve the 2024 Annual Appropriation Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer reported that the totals were slightly less than the 2023 amounts available but at this time adjustments would be made to accommodate the differences. At that time Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye! The motion was approved.

The bills were then presented for review, discussion, and final approval for payment. Millard Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills presented. Dawn Smith seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved.

Steve Fansler, Solicitor, reviewed the laws regarding drones being used. After research he found pretty much the same rules that were presented at the last meeting. A law officer can be called if a person feels that they have been violated by the use of a drone on their property. If the owner is known an officer can ward the owner to keep the drone away from private property. There are federal regulations regarding how high they can be flown and areas where they violate use through the F.A.A. Drones with cameras are still not very well regulated regarding a person's privacy. However, if a drone is on your property without consent and something happens to the drone there are gray areas regarding this issue. Mr. Fansler was questioned on the Dale Clary property clean-up. Orders were delivered with a time limit to clean up the debris on his property. This clean-up has not been done and Council was concerned about the timing from the time the notice was delivered by a Sheriff deputy and the Village being able to step in and do the clean-up. Due to weather conditions and finding someone to do the whole clean-up at once instead of piece milling the jobs separately the clean-up has not started. The warning was issued in the Fall of 2023 and the question was if a new warning was needed. Mr. Fansler stated that once the warning was issued with a deadline the clean-up could be done at any time. DeGraff Police Chief questioned the steps being taken to get to the point of the Village of Quincy going on a property and cleaning up at the home owner's expense by putting the costs on real estate tax as a lien. A discussion was held regarding the next steps and as soon as the weather permits and a company can be obtained to do the work all at once, the clean-up will begin.

Mike Weber, Administrator, then presented his notes to the Council. He stated that eclipse glasses are still available for .50 per pair. Installation of security cameras at the Annex building was started February 29th. Two new cameras were installed outside the building. Six cameras inside the building were hooked up, two new monitors were installed and training was completed. One camera facing the front door, two cameras were located at the drive thru window, one camera looking out the front window down South Street, with two new infrareds outside facing north and south. Mr. Weber reported on the fire hydrant situation on the corner of South and Miami Street. He stated that LeVann's had a major fire at the shop and office and lost almost everything. They are working to get everything up and running and will get to our hydrant as soon as possible. A P.E.P. insurance inspection was conducted February 26, 2024. The preliminary recommendations were reviewed. A camera was needed on State Route #235 at the guardrail because it has been hit twice with no known person reporting the accident. Cameras on fire hydrants were suggested as several have been hit and run. As discussed in a prior inspection the merry-go-round at Finrock Park has safety issues. Gaps in the seating need filled, a bent handle needs repaired, add pea gravel under the merry-go-round for fall safety. Mr. Weber gave suggestions on cost involved in this project repairs of \$1,052.41. A \$1000.00 P.E.P. grant is available and Mr. Weber suggested using that funding for this project. Bob Ward made a motion to allow for the grant funding from the P.E.P. Grant to be used for the repairs at the Finrock Park equipment. He suggested tires under the teeter-totter to prevent cherry bumps. He also recommended this for next year P.E.P. grant funding. Mr. Weber reported that he was having issues with downloading the Ohio Basic Code. DeGraff has the program and will allow the Village of Quincy to use the program when needed. Mr. Weber reported that funding was available for water infrastructure. After reviewing the situation it was suggested that a \$5.00 rate increase be discussed to put the Village in line to apply for the grant funding for updates to the neglected maintenance and repairs of an aging water system. Mr. Weber presented a 2024 water rate increase study for review. After review and discussion Sheryl Hatfield made a motion to have an ordinance prepared to increase the Village of Quincy water rate by \$5.00 from \$25.50 to \$30.50. Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Robert Ward Abstain, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved. It was suggested that the public be made aware of the possible increase. The original water plant started 01/01/1945 per E.P.A. and Health Department records. Mr. Weber then

presented several sign prices and designs from four companies. All prices were under \$1,200.00. Council will review and try to decide at the next Council meeting. This sign will cover most if not all of the old sign on the Annex building. Contingency Plan meetings are on old for this moment.

Millard Shaffer then discussed the condition of the Quincy Community building after a funeral dinner the day of this Council meeting. Food was on the counter and tables, floor had sticky on it, tables were not correct and several other items were left and rules were not followed. This was a last-minute item and rent is not charged for funeral dinners. The Council discussed the issue and tried to determine what to do with the deposit. Millard Shaffer made a motion to withhold the \$100.00 deposit. Morgan Collier seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved.

Terry Brentlinger, DeGraff Police Chief, reported a dumpster fire by propane tanks and that he would be receiving the new dog for the DeGraff Police Department with a few weeks. Everything else seems to be going well and with the new dog he will not be as easily available while he trains with the dog.

The Fiscal Officer suggested that the Village again obtain mosquito control for the year. It is now only March and when she was out during the week when it was warm mosquitoes were out, swarming, and attacking. Mr. Weber will contact Bug-A-Boo to get a schedule set up for spraying the entire Village.

The final matter discussed was the Solar Eclipse and the emergency trailer. It has been suggested that the trailer be parked at the Quincy Community Building. This will allow for access to restrooms and rest areas if needed. Mayor Robinson then suggested that some type of activity could be held on this date. He asks for permission to use the Community Building if things could be pulled together. He stated that his wife was willing to coordinate this activity. Millard Shaffer made a motion to allow the Community Building to be open on this date for restrooms, rest area, and other activities that could be gathered. Dawn Smith seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved. Council also decided that the Finrock Park restrooms be open during the Solar Eclipse as well.

Mayor Robinson then adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m. until March 19, 2024 at the Quincy Community building.

DANIEL ROBINSON, MAYOR

SANDRA WARD FISCAL OFFICER

ABSENT

JOHN HICKMAN, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ROBERT WARD

DAWN SMITH

SHERYL HATFIELD

MILLARD SHAFFER

MORGAN COLLIER

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.