

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR VILLAGE OF QUINCY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

HELD: AUGUST 6, 2024

The regular Village of Quincy Council meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. until 10:09 p.m. at the Quincy Community building located at 503 S. Carlisle St., Quincy, Ohio. The following members, employees, and visitors were present for the meeting:

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

EMPLOYEES: MIKE WEBER ADMINISTRATOR, SANDRA WARD FISCAL OFFICER, STEVE FANSLER SOLICITOR, AND ALYZA HOELSCHER PART-TIME OFFICE HELP

VISITORS: MATTHEW BURCHETT, PAUL BROWN, CARLTON MILLER, DEB MORRISON, RANDY HILLARD, KAITLYN BAILEY, KAREN GUTHRIE, LEVI BARTHAUER, JEREMY BARTHAUER, JUSTIN BARTHAUER, LINDA BARTHAUER, KATHY STOTLER, BRUCE STOTLER, MARVIN MCCULLEY, CHARLENE FOREMAN, BRIAN RICHMOND, ED STEVENSON, MISSY CUMMINS, ROB CUMMINS, TERRY BRENTLINGER DEGRAFF POLICE CHIEF.

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

Each member of Council, Mayor, Solicitor, and Administrator was presented with a copy of the bills ready for payment, receipt to date, and fund balances to date for review.

The minutes of the July 16, 2024 regular Village of Quincy Council meeting as prepared by the Fiscal Officer was emailed to each member of Council, Mayor, Solicitor, and Village Administrator for review prior to the meeting. After review Morgan Collier made a motion to approve the July 16, 2024 regular Village of Quincy Council meeting minutes and allow these minutes to be entered into permanent records of the Village of Quincy. Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: John Hickman Aye, Robert Ward Abstain due to absence from the meeting, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved.

A listing of bills was presented to each member for review. Bob Ward made a motion to pay the bills presented for payment. Millard Shaffer seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: John Hickman Aye, Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, Millard Shaffer Aye, and Morgan Collier Aye. The motion was approved.

Several Village residents as well as township trustees, township citizens, and those showing interest as to the status of the formation of a Joint Fire District. The entities involved with the Joint Fire District

formation include the Village of Quincy, Village of DeGraff, Miami Township, and Pleasant. An e-mail had been posted on Quincy Neighbor Watch stating that the Village of Quincy did not want to participate in the formation of a Fire District and was holding up the progress by voting to accept a resolution to form the District. Mayor Robinson opened this discussion by reading a section of the Village of Quincy Council meeting regarding the formation of Fire District with the Village of DeGraff, Miami Township and Pleasant Township dated November 7, 2023. The minutes read that the Village joined in an agreement to have Riverside E.M.S. to provide ambulance service to the Village of Quincy, for a cost of \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 until December 31, 2024 at which time the Joint Fire District should be up and running. As chairman of the committee to form a fire district Marvin McCully ask the Village of Quincy Council if they planned on participating in the Joint Fire District and was planning on joining in a tax levy to provide financing for the Fire District. The Council responded that Mr. Fansler Solicitor has made many attempts to contact David Comstock, the person that has legally agreed to help with the formation of a fire district. Mr. Comstock has not responded to his calling. It was noted that the Village has agreed in November 23, 2024 to be a part of the fire district and agreed to pay for one-fourth of the fees to Mr. Comstock for his services and has paid the invoices that have been submitted. Several members of the audience expressed the opinion that the Village of Quincy will not donate the current rescue building to the district and therefore have held everything up by not doing so. The building has never been agreed upon for donation to the district but has supported a lease for \$1.00 as long as the building is needed with the return of the building as soon as a new building was built. Sheryl Hatfield ask the group what Quincy has not done that everyone else has done. Lynda Barthauer stated that all of the other entities have agreed to be a part of the district but Quincy has not. Sheryl Hatfield ask if all the entities have submitted in writing to an agreement presented to each entity for approval. Chuck Strayer, Pleasant Township Trustee and Board representative stated that the original ordinance had been reviewed by the Committee with changes made and submitted for Mr. Comstock's review. At this time no one has heard back from Mr. Comstock and therefore no one has passed an ordinance to formally form a Joint Fire District. It was determined that until a formal ordinance is presented and all entities pass this ordinance nothing formal can be done by any of the four entities involved. Mr. Fansler agreed to contact the Village of DeGraff Solicitor and legal representatives for the townships to determine how to proceed and get this matter back on track. A proposed levy had been looked at with no legal action being taken so therefore funding for this project can not be done by way of a levy as the deadline to place a levy on the ballot is about to be reached not allowing time for signatures on the necessary petition to put the levy on the ballot. The committee has not met during the Summer and therefore no action has been taken. Marvin McCulley will receive the necessary information from Mr. Fansler to get the meetings started to move forward. Quincy-Miami Township Fire Chief left the meeting half way through with profanity and throwing something slamming the door stating that he was done with all this. This is included in the minutes due to prior meetings informing the Quincy Council that there was no reason that the Rescue Building could not be donated and stating that himself and other members of the department were ready to submit their resignations if Quincy didn't donate this building. He was informed that this would not happen. The people for the creation of the Fire District then left the meeting while waiting to hear what Mr. Fansler found out from the other entities' legal representatives.

Kathy Stotler, Bruce Stotler and Charlene Forman were present for the meeting to discuss the Quincy Sports Association and a problem with the Finrock Park concession. Charlene Foreman stood up and informed the Council that if there is a Quincy Sports Association she will be the 2025 chairman. She informed the Council that she felt a post on Quincy Neighborhood Watch was very unprofessional and rude regarding a recent issue at the Finrock Park Concession Stand. A post was made by the Fiscal Officer stating that recent events at the Finrock Park Concession Stand and a visit from the Logan

County Health Department the Quincy concession stand would be closed for the remaining 2024 season. She stated that this post pointed fingers at Bruce and Kathy Stotler and herself and her husband. In response the Fiscal Officer responded and showed the Council a copy of the actual post on Quincy Neighborhood Watch and stated that the post did not state what happened and did not name anyone blaming them for the issues. The Logan County Health Department, Jennifer, had contacted the Fiscal Officer trying three times to contact Bruce Stotler who was the last person known to be the President to perform the year end inspection. The Fiscal Officer informed Jennifer that she did not have a key to the concession stand and referred her to Mike Weber, Administrator, to set up a time for the inspection. Upon entering the concession stand Jennifer found a crock pot in the sink with mold growing on it, a bucket of stagnate water draining from an ice machine both a refrigerator and freezer standing open with bad food left in them and a microwave with a plate of salt and thirty seconds on the timer. Mr. Weber had also tried to contact Mr. Stotler with no response. At this time the Logan County Health Department report had not been received. Several people had reported that Bruce Stotler was no longer involved with the Sports Association, which was the reason for the post on Quincy Neighborhood Watch. Mrs. Ward stated that there had not been any problems with the concession stand and only good reports of the food that was being served and that she thanked them for their years of service. Mrs. Foreman stated that everyone knows who runs the concession stand and the post was finger pointing. After several minutes of discussion, the next thing on the agenda was an upcoming Riverside Alumni softball game planned for August 3, 2024 at the Finrock Park. Mrs. Foreman stated that she was unaware that permission was needed to have a tournament. Mrs. Foreman was informed that the Village of Quincy owns Finrock Park. The Council allows the Quincy Sports Association is allowed to use the Finrock during regular ball season. Any other use of the Finrock Park has to be handled with the permission of Quincy Council to coordinate use of the park with other groups such as the soccer teams for practice. A car show had been scheduled several weeks prior to the softball tournament. However, the Village was not even aware of the activity until someone reported seeing this on Facebook. Mrs. Foreman stated that the Logan County Health Department had not shut down the concession stand and ask about use for the tournament. It was noted that Mr. and Mrs. Stotler had went out to the concession stand and cleaned up the mess that was left, they lost the food in the freezer and refrigerator. Mrs. Stotler stated that she had left the bucket and crock pot while the icee machine drained and the crock pot was left soaking and she forgot to return and clean it up. She did not know how the refrigerator and freezer were left open. It was noted that the current food service license was signed by the Fiscal Officer. It was noted that as long as all the rules are followed and clean up was completed the concession stand could be used for the tournament. Comments were referenced for the 2025 season. Mr. Shaffer is chairman of the Park Committee and a rental agreement will be needed much like the use of the Quincy Community building. Mrs. Foreman stated that it will be determined if the Quincy Sports Association will continue with games in the Village of Quincy, as there were other places for the kids to play ball. Mayor Robinson stated that the Finrock Park will be used for the season. It was noted that none of this would have happened if Mr. Stotler had responded to the Logan County Health Department and finger pointing and accusations were read into the post that was removed from Quincy Neighborhood Watch within hours.

Mike Weber then presented his notes for the current meeting. Supplies for bat removal have not been received. Mr. Weber reported that he is continuing with doctor appointments due to health issues. The fire hydrant on the corner of South and Miami Streets is still being monitored for leaking. The hydrant on the corner of Yost and Miami is scheduled for repairs in the next week. Lake Erie Construction has been contacted regarding repairs to the guardrail on State Route #235. Mr. Weber reported issuing a building permit to Dale Clary to build a storage shed on his property for storage of fence material. He noted that the pontoon boat and Isuzu truck is still on the property with deadlines given for removal. A

property line dispute between Brian Richmond and Gray Chrystall was discussed. Also noted was the trash, vehicles, and liter on the Chrystall property located on Liberty Street that needs cleaned-up. Mr. Weber then suggested that the Council consider changing the water reinstatement fee from the current \$35.00 fee to \$50.00. He noted that the current delinquent notice states the fee is \$25.00 and needs to be updated or removed. He also suggested that water service be terminated after one month of non-payment. A problem with the tornado siren on the south end of Quincy is being investigated. Federal Field Service has looked at the siren and determined that the motor is bad and the siren will need replaced. Using the siren that had been replaced on the north end of Quincy may work until funding can be determined to replace the bad siren. Mr. Weber stated that the E.P.A. Service Line inventory is taking a lot of his time and needs completed by October 16, 2024. He asks that someone needs to take over the current website to bring the website up to date and put on required information to the site and required forms.

The Fiscal Officer stated that she had presented Mr. Weber with the copy of the P.E.P. Insurance Removal for review. Mr. Weber found several changes to be made and the list has been submitted to Comer Insurance. The premium is \$28,453.86 for the year. That is an increase of \$4,245.46 over 2023. She reported that there will be changes to the A.E.S. accounts with new numbers being used on the September billing. She reported that there are funds available for preserving historic buildings in communities if anyone is interested. A schedule of upcoming Flood Plain Management Trainings was presented. A meeting was held on August 5, 2024 to review the distribution of Local Government distribution in Logan County. If unable to attend opinions can be submitted until August 31, 2024 in writing to the Logan County Budget Commission. The charges for clean-up of the Dale Clary property were presented. Bobcat Multi Works LLC presented a bill for \$3,200.00 for clean up of the property. The Solicitor will need to be contacted to have this fee placed on the property real estate as a lien by way of a resolution. The Fiscal Officer reported that a concern was expressed over flow rates at the Joint Sewer Plant. The flow rate for Quincy has substantially increased for an unknown reason. Mr. Weber stated that this started after meters were recalibrated a few months back and he feels this is the problem. The meter reflects more water going to the joint sewer plant than what is being pumped by the Village. The final food inspection report was presented stating that there would not be a problem with obtaining a food service license in 2025. The violations were noted as minor.

Mr. Hickman presented regarding the electric aggregation stating that the project was voted on by citizens of the Village. He suggested that residents be notified of this aggregation again. The initial aggregation was completed in 2016.

Millard Shaffer informed Council that there is a problem with the mowing deck on the new mower. A large rock was not seen in time and he hit the rock creating a problem with the deck. He stated that the recommendation of Lakeview Hardware was to replace the deck due to the damage to the deck. Mr. Shaffer reported he could try to round off blades and pound out the deck to make it work if that is what Council wanted to do but he could not guarantee if it would not affect the deck in the future. Council discussed the issue and asks Mr. Shaffer to work with Lakeview Hardware and make the best decision for the new mower. The cost could be \$1,800.00 to replace.

Morgan Collier then expressed her concern over the Fire Chief driving down Miami Street at excessive speed all the time. The Mayor noted that he would be contacted by the Mayor.

Mayor Robinson adjourned the meeting at 10:09 p.m. until August 20, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at the Quincy Community building located at 503 S. Carlisle Street, Quincy, Ohio at 7:30 p.m.

DANIEL ROBINSON MAYOR

SANDRA WARD FISCAL OFFICER

JOHN HICKMAN PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ROBERT WARD

DAWN SMITH

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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.