

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## REGULAR VILLAGE OF QUINCY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

HELD: OCTOBER 1, 2024

The regular Village of Quincy Council meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. until 8:49 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:

JOHN HICKMAN	PRESENT	ROBERT WARD	PRESENT
DAWN SMITH	PRESENT	SHERYL HATFIELD	PRESENT
MILLARD SHAFFER	PRESENT	VACANT SEAT	

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

VISITORS: PAUL BROWN, DEB MORRISON, AND TERRY BRENTLINGER DEGRAFF POLICE CHIEF

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

The current reports were presented to each member of Council for review. The following reports were received: payment listing, receipt listing, and current fund balances.

The minutes of the September 17, 2024 were e-mailed to each member of Council to review. After review, discussion, questions, or corrections John Hickman made a motion to approve the September 17, 2024 and allow the minutes to be entered into the permanent records of the Village of Quincy with a verbal vote as follows: John Hickman Aye, Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Abstain due to absence, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, and Millard Shaffer Aye. The motion was approved.

A list of bills ready for payment were presented. John Hickman made a motion to pay the bills presented. Dawn Smith seconded the motion with a vote as follows: John Hickman Aye, Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, and Millard Shaffer Aye. The motion was approved.

The vacant Council seat was then discussed. The Fiscal Officer posted the vacant seat on the sign at Finrock Park stating that anyone interested should express interest to the Village Council. Paul Brown was the only note of interest received. After a discussion with Mr. Brown it was noted that he has lived in the Village of Quincy all his life, he has been attending meeting for the past several months, and expressed his interest in the Council seat. John Hickman then made a motion to appoint Paul Brown to the vacant Council seat. Bob Ward seconded the motion with a verbal vote as follows: John Hickman Aye, Robert Ward Aye, Dawn Smith Aye, Sheryl Hatfield Aye, and Millard Shaffer Aye. The motion was

approved and Solicitor Steve Fansler swore Mr. Brown into the Village of Quincy Council filling the unexpired term left vacant by Morgan Collier.

Steve Fansler then presented a resolution to place a lien on the real estate taxes for collection of: Dale Clary for \$3,200.00 for the clean up of his Allentown property due to failure after notification and extensions given to accomplish the clean-up, the Village Council opted to hire Bobcat Multi-Works to complete the project. Mr. Clary was given several notices over several years to accomplish this request and chose not to complete the project. Anita Norman had \$3,357.00 assessed to her property real estate tax due to a period of time when she did not report utility usage during a period of time. The property owned by L. B. Smith for delinquent utility usage for \$281.70 would be placed as a lien on the real estate tax due to none payment. A vehicle was parked on top of the shut off valve and when notices were served no contact was made when people were seen in the residence. At this time the service has to be left on until the vehicle is moved or towed. Mr. Fansler stated that he had responded to the letter from the Genesee and Wyoming railroad regarding rental for utilities ran under the railroad. This was the sixth year he has responded stating that there was no action taken by Council regarding rental under the railroad and that this a utility right away and no charges are due. Mr. Fansler stated that he contacted Daniel Bey, Attorney, regarding his replacement of Mr. Comstock to help with the formation a joint fire district. Mr. Bey had contacted Mr. Comstock notifying him of the change of attorneys. Mr. Comstock has agreed to forward the work that he has completed and billing was current. Mr. Bey will be proceeding with drawing up an agreement between the villages and townships for his legal representation to form a joint fire district.

Mike Weber then presented his notes for the meeting. Mr. Weber noted that plans are still in the works to dig up the sidewalk area at the corner of South Street and South Miami Street to place a cap on a line before winter. This seems to be leaking underground. He stated that he is still experiencing medical issues and medication adjustments. As a result of an issue with Cindy Stewart on August 20, 2024 an investigation has been completed. Walnut Street has been measured at 60' wide. This places Village property at the edge of the front of each home on the street. Perdue Tree Service will be providing service to deal with tree issues at this time. The cost of the project will be \$2,800.00 for the project. The worst tree is on the corner of New Street and Canby Street. This tree will be cut down, chip the brush, and leave the wood in long lengths. 111 Walnut Street will remove one split limb, side trim the limbs hanging over the house, chip the brush, and leave the wood. 114 Walnut Street, same tree, top and trim white oak tree, chip the brush, and leave the wood. Finally, three stumps will be removed. Mr. Weber reported that the leaf vacuum is ready to go but they are still having issues with the fly wheel and getting the machine to start. He is still working on completing the USEPA Service Line Inventory ready. 242 of 311 letters are ready to go. This must be completed by November 15, 2024. The project regarding the South end of Quincy siren is still being reviewed. The Miami Township Trustees have stated that this is a Village project and not a Miami Township issue. Federal Siren wants to charge \$5,075.00 to remove and reset the siren. The repair will be separate. Area Electric will remove and reset the siren at \$2,700.00. Repairs on both estimates does not include repairs. Area Electric will remove the siren from the pole at the Maintenance Office, fabricate a bracket and install the siren on the township building for a cost of \$4,000.00. A water leak on Liberty Street needed to have water service shut off during repairs. The Main valve was located on State Route #235. The valve was knocked off by Barrett Paving and the box was filled with black top. O.D.O.T. has been contacted for reimbursement of repairs on the valve for \$1,500.00. A response is still pending. Mr. Weber reported that Brightspeed has purchased Century Link and will be running new service to Quincy and DeGraff and needs to know what right-of-ways need to be obtained. After discussion it was determined that any rights-of-way were unknown at this time. Mr. Weber ask that this company works with the Village

regarding utility lines being avoided. Mr. Brentlinger discussed the situation of the railroad track being closed on State Route #235 and semi-trucks using Village street to go around the detours. Several incidents have occurred. The Village was informed that detour signs are incorrectly placed. It was determined that the detour would only last one more week at most. Mr. Weber reported that a tree had taken down lines on Poplar Street during a wind storm. A.E.S. closed the street and made repairs but did not clean up the debris and threw it onto a resident's property. Other utilities are still needing to make repairs.

Millard Shaffer made a motion to approve a resolution to assess charges for clean-up of the Dale Clary property, Anita Norman for utilities used without reporting or paying for the usage, and L. B. Smith for non-payment of his utility bill. Paul Brown 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 Paul Brown Aye. The motion was approved and Mr. Fansler will file to liens.

Chief Brentlinger reported that he has been warning trucker traveling through the Village. He did not cite anyone as proper signing was not in place. After discussion it was determined that the railroad had closed State Route #235 with proper signing. The Village stated the no thru trucks were permitted on Village streets. Chief Brentlinger stated that the round about at State Route #235 and State Route #47 was not detoured property and there was no signing in the Village of DeGraff. Signs posted on the corner of State Route #706 were being thrown in the ditch as well as the sign at State Route #235 and County Road #35. This meant that traffic, especially semi-trucks were notified of the railroad closure until that got into town without a way other than Village streets to turn around. The signs needed to be placed so that they could not be thrown in the ditch. The Council was concerned why O.D.O.T. did not make sure the proper signing was not put in place. The Village was not notified of the closure at any time. Chief Brentlinger notified the Village that several streets in Quincy may need to be closed due to a motorcycle group riding through town on a ride for toys for tots. He expects a large motorcycle presence going through Village streets due to the railroad being closed.

The second resolution was presented to list funds used during the Covid pandemic received by the government for use during this time period of 2022 and 2023. After passage of this ordinance this money can be transferred into the General Fund for use on reimbursement of expenses during the period. John Hickman made a motion and Sheryl Hatfield 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 Paul Brown Aye. The motion was approved.

A letter was presented regarding growing and cultivating marijuana. The Council discussed the issue and determined not to act at this time.

Mayor Robinson reported that he would be on vacation from October 12, 2024 until October 28, 2024. The Fiscal Officer will be on vacation from October 21, 2024 thru October 27, 2024. Robert Ward will be on vacation during the same time. Mr. Hickman will act as Mayor during the time Mayor Robinson is out of town and conduct the October 15, 2024 meeting.

Mayor Robinson then adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m. until October 15, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at the Quincy Community building at 503 S. State Route #235.

DANIEL ROBINSON, MAYOR

SANDRA WARD, FISCAL OFFICER

JOHN HICKMAN, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ROBERT WARD

DAWN SMITH

SHERYL HATFIELD

MILLARD SHAFFER

PAUL BROWN

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 AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW, INCLUDING SECTION 121.22 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.