

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF DEGRAFF COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

August 15, 2023

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The Legislative body of the Village of DeGraff convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:38 P.M. 107 S. Main St., DeGraff, OH 43318.

Mayor Orsborne called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the following Council Members and staff Present:

- Mayor Stephanie Orsborne – Present
- Mike Dodds, Council Member – Present
- Mike Ropp, Council Member – Present
- Tom Rowley, Council Member – Present
- Nancy Hall, Council Member – Present
- Sandra Short, President Pro Tempore – Present
- Tonya Castallante, Council Member – Absent

Staff Present: Kassandra Staley, Fiscal Officer; Zeb Wagner, Solicitor; Greg Beatty, Fire Chief; Terry Brentlinger, Police Chief

Ms. Short made the motion to suspend the reading and accept the August 1, 2023 minutes, seconded by Mr. Rowley. Roll Call – All ayes. MOTION

Visitors –

- Gabe Kean – Observe
- Clinton Buchenroth – Observe
- Deanna Fly – WPKO Observe

Zoning – No Report.

Solicitor – No Report.

Village Administrator – Mayor Orsborne gave an update for Mr. McAlexander. There is a floodplaine Ordinance on the agenda, and he would like council to do 3 readings on it. The skid loader grant we applied for, the grant is no longer covering skid loaders so Mr. McAlexander would like to switch it to portable traffic signals. The cost would be the same for the Village. This would reduce risk on flagging traffic.

Mr. Dodds made the motion to apply for the portable traffic signals, seconded by Ms. Hall. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Mr. McAlexander has been looking into CDL. He believes the plow truck with grit you would need a CDL to drive. Mr. McAlexander and Mr. Fulmer currently do not have CDL's. Looking into Clark State is the cheapest. Mr. McAlexander wanted to give the recommendation to give our current employee Mr. Vondenhuevel a \$1 raise for his CDL.

Mr. Ropp made the motion to give Mr. Vondenhuevel a \$1 raise for his CDL certification, seconded by Mr. Dodds. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Still looking at other avenues as well. Water line loop bids will be opened on August 29th. The maintenance purchased a new line locator for \$6400.

Safety Committee – Ms. Short went over the following:

- Fire Department has 2 applicants that would like to join, Mr. Randy Hilliard and Mr. Josh Funk.

Ms. Short made the motion to hire Mr. Hilliard and Mr. Funk as volunteer firefighters, seconded by Mr. Dodds. Roll Call – All Ayes.

MOTION

- Some air bottles have been sent in for recertification
- Fire department is looking for permission to take the antique fire truck to some car shows. They have an enclosed trailer they can haul it in. Looked into insurance and is not an issue.

Ms. Short made the motion to allow the fire department to take the antique truck to some car shows, seconded by Mr. Rowley. Roll Call – All Ayes.

MOTION

- Spoke about the quote received from Link Construction for the fire department building. Approximate cost would be \$48,065 for 2 doors and an apron around, with the fire department doing the demo work. Council would like to wait as Mr. McAlexander is trying to set up a special safety meeting along with Pleasant Township, Miami Township, and the Village of Quincy about looking into a district.
- Police department has had 18 citations and 21 warnings
- Riverside EMS has donated an AED to the police department. Council wanted to express thanks to Riverside EMS for the donation.
- In the safety meeting 5 properties were discussed would like council's approval to send first notices.

Ms. Hall made the motion to send 1st notices to the 5 properties, seconded by Mr. Dodds. Roll Call – All Ayes.

MOTION

Finance – Ms. Staley explained there is a Resolution to move money. RITA wanted council to know 310 subpoenas have been sent out to residents who did not respond to the first letter about missing tax returns.

Park Committee – Mr. Rowley mentioned the following:

- Someone marked up the new picnic tables with chalk.
- Exercise equipment was not sent the nuts and bolts. Company is remailing them. Looking at getting trustees from the jail to help assemble.

Cemetery – The Board is starting to pull Veteran's flags as they are getting tattered.

Joint Sewer Board- Still having issues with the mercury levels. There are 4 manholes being tested in Quincy. HVAC in office building is 20 years old got a quote to replace for \$7200. The new heaters for the screen room are now in. The farmer has hauled 15 dry tons out and put on field. He did not till it in right away, Mr. Coy is addressing with him.

Special Firehouse Committee: On hold for now.

Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance 2023-33: An Ordinance authorizing the village Administrator to enter into an amended contract with the architect/engineer for the Village of DeGraff, Ohio well water treatment plant improvement project and declaring an emergency in the Village of DeGraff, Ohio

Ms. Short made the motion to suspend the 3-rule reading for Ordinance 2023-33, seconded by Mr. Ropp. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Mr. Ropp made the motion to accept Ordinance 2023-33 on the first and final reading, seconded by Ms. Short. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Mr. Dodds made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-33, seconded by Mr. Ropp. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Resolution 2023-35: A Resolution transferring various sums of money within the year 2023 budget within various funds listed herein, in order to pay obligated expenditures, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Short made the motion to suspend the 3-rule reading for Resolution 2023-35, seconded by Mr. Ropp. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Mr. Dodds made the motion to accept Resolution 2023-35 on the first and final reading, seconded by Mr. Ropp. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Mr. Ropp made the motion to adopt Resolution 2023-35, seconded by Mr. Rowley. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Ordinance 2023-34: Ohio Model Flood Damage Reduction Regulations

Ms. Short made the motion to accept Ordinance 2023-34 on 1st reading, seconded by Mr. Rowley. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Old Business: No Report.

New Business: No Report.

Ms. Short made the motion to pay bills, seconded by Mr. Ropp. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Ms. Short made the motion to adjourn at 7:48 PM, seconded by Ms. Castellante. Roll Call – All Ayes. MOTION

Mayor Stephanie Orsborne

Sandra Short, Council Pro Tempore

Kassandra Staley, Fiscal Officer

