

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL
November 16, 2022

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16th, 2022, in the Community Room. Mayor Jack Stantz called the meeting to order. Council President Scott Rohrs, Council Members Jim Hohenberger, Robert Valle, Jamie Vogelsong, Mike Sudholtz, and Alex Buchhop were present; Village solicitor Harvey Hyman, Esq., Administrator/Fiscal Officer Sherri Ramey, Billing Clerk Faye Escalera, Miguel Escalera, Jim Isaman, and Dave Weaner were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Previous Meeting minutes

Motion to Approve the Minutes	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	R. Valle
Scott Rohrs	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Financial Reports

Motion to Pay the Bills	R. Valle
Seconded	M. Sudholtz
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Committee Reports

The employee committee met to discuss raises for the Village’s employees. All raises discussed were approved. J. Hurtig and S. Ramey will receive a three percent raise and M. Gregg and F. Escalera will receive a dollar an hour raise.

The nuisance committee met and decided that they will get together with S. Ramey to go over the violations that have been brought to her attention. J. Vogelsong and A. Buchhop both stated that they would prefer to be informed of the nuisance violations through text message.

For the zoning committee, G. Montez is not present, but included in the information given to council is a request from J. Nester to include the area where the barn was torn down into the Keil’s lot split that council approved at the October council meeting.

A. Buchhop asked whether a speed limit sign or yield sign would be a good idea at the Heritage Drive and Wirth Lane area subdivision. Also, S. Ramey stated that the Sheriff Department should be notified that the stoned path that leads back there is not a road, but a private drive.

As to the speed limit signs, H. Hyman informed council that the Ohio Revised Code sets a standard maximum speed based on the type of road it is. It depends on the municipality whether the main roads will be limited to thirty-five miles per hour and the side roads to be twenty-five. Posting it may help slow things down, but it is not entirely necessary. R. Valle asked for confirmation regarding the law’s ability to enforce a speed limit if it is not posted and H. Harvey said he would look further into it.

Motion to allow the inclusion of the area into the Keil's lot	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	R. Valle
Scott Rohrs	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2022 SHERRI RAMEY

LAND/BUILDINGS

The library sign is getting set to be hung. There was a miscommunication, so the sign does not say “Sherwood Library and Community Room”, but “Sherwood Library and Community Center” instead. The lights are getting ready to be installed, the adapters that are needed have been found, so they can be placed in the pillars.

As for the US Rt 127/ Harrison Street grant, the sidewalk has been moved back further towards the north to help save the trees. As of right now, the Village may not have to cut down two of three trees.

The existing storm sewer was viewed with a camera, and it looked to be in good shape so replacing it has been pulled from the project and the sewer will go forward by tying into the existing storm sewer instead.

Directly behind the new fire station addition, an additional ten thousand dollars that is not included in the grant will be needed for pavement and eight thousand will be needed for the storm sewer. It is unknown if the money saved from not having to replace the existing storm sewer will be enough to cover these costs.

It was brought up that a special additive could be added to the new concrete approaches. The concrete additive is believed to help prevent erosion due to salt. It was asked because with the approaches having to be replaced due to the widening of 127 would the village be replacing with the same as what they already had. It is believed that the property owner in question truly had this additive in their concrete approach that was installed just a few years ago. However, the concern is that other property owners might claim that they also had the treatment done to theirs. So, the village should require proof that it was done. Also, Research should be done to see how long the life expectancy of the concrete increases with the additive as well. Depending on the cost, it may be something the village may want to look into investing in for all the approaches.

M. Sudholtz asked what the village’s policy is if someone should decide to write in the fresh wet concrete. H. Harvey stated that it is considered vandalism and defacing property and there are several things that can be done to deter it from happening such as posting a warning. If it should happen, the perpetrator would be responsible for replacing that piece of sidewalk.

EQUIPMENT

A new brush cutter for skid steer was quoted for the cost of \$4,460.25. The one the village currently has is designed for a mini skid steer. That one can be sold and then after that council may want to seriously consider selling the tractor because it will no longer be needed. S. Rohrs asked how often the brush cutter is used. S. Ramey explained that it is used quite frequently, sometimes for residents who have a lot of overgrowth to deal with. The old one should sell for \$1300-1500 since it cost \$2000 when first purchased.

Motion to Buy the New Brush Cutter	S. Rohrs
Seconded	J. Hohenberger
Robert Valle	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogel song	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

PARKS

At Moat’s Park, Woolace is giving the village a quote to replace the Field Lights with LEDs.

Someone removed the lids from three of the catch basins. They have been put back on.

For the gazebo at Memorial Park, the village has received \$1400 from the Defiance Foundation for the roof.

WATER & SEWER

For the utility billing, there were fifteen shut off notices delivered, and one shut off. It has since been turned back on.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Food Pantry will be Wednesday, December 21st from 8am-10am

S. Ramey prepared a list entailing what a new phone would cost and asked if council had reached a decision on a limit for the cost of a new phone. S. Rohrs asked if the council decided to place a \$1000 limit on a phone and the recipient wanted a \$1200 phone what would happen, and S. Ramey suggested that the remainder could be paid out-of-pocket from the recipient. Council asked for more information because the mayor does not want to pay anything out of pocket, so the actual updated cost is necessary for approval.

M. Sudholtz has asked about championship signs in the past and S. Ramey asked if there has been any decision made regarding that. She got a quote from the same person who will make the “Welcome to Sherwood” signs and was told the champion signs would be around sixty dollars apiece. Council discussed some options they have seen in the surrounding areas and are hopeful that a ‘built to last’ option is available without an exorbitant cost. More research is needed.

There were sixteen donations made to sponsor a snowflake at the time of the meeting. They are the Defiance Library, Straley Insurance, Tender Touch Pet Salon, SMTA, Kuhn Brothers Service Center, Kuhn Truck & RV, JDS, the Fire Organization, Darrel & April Rock, Apache Dairy Bar, Headquarters Barber Shop, Iron Horse Brews, the Sherwood Bank, the Weaner Family, and the two from the Fire Department. There were two thousand lights purchased which will cover all the snowflakes and leave some extra.

Aaron Lashaway brought a bill into the village office and is asking to be reimbursed for dirt he had hauled in. S. Ramey and the engineer had been reaching out to Dangler, the company that put dirt in initially, to see if they could place more dirt. Council said that if he had come to council and asked for more dirt to be brought to his property, it could have been discussed. But since he already had it brought in, it is his own financial responsibility.

Motion to Deny Paying the Bill	A. Buchhop
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogel song	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y

The old police number, (419)-899-2147, is still in service. It is costing the village \$51.36 a month, which is \$616.32 a year. It is transferred directly to the sheriff department. It has only been called nine times since September 3rd, and one of the calls was from the fire chief to see if the number would ring through. Two numbers have already been dropped; one was the old fire department number and the other was a number that was attached to the village account that was not being billed.

Motion to Shut Off Service	R. Valle
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Scott Rohrs	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

The village office will be closed on Friday November 18th and on Friday November 25th.

An energy company called the office to ask if the village would like to change companies from AEP energy. S. Ramey asked council if they would like to change, and council said no.

The village workers invited council and their spouses to their annual Christmas party on December 1st. Council members should let S. Ramey know if they plan to attend so she can update the reservation at Iron Horse.

Old Business

ORDINANCE 22-10-01 – ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023-
2nd Reading

Motion to Accept 2nd reading <u>O 22-10-01</u> with corrections	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	R. Valle
Scott Rohrs	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Citizens

M. Escalera, M. Weaner’s replacement as the Ball Association’s treasurer, spoke to council about the records he received for the Ball Association. He stated that the records do not give him much to go off regarding the finances. S. Ramey spoke to the bank, and they are doing what they can to get the account transferred. S. Ramey was asked what the village intended to do with the account, and she told them that the intention is to have the account stay open because she wants to deposit the money that was made from the concessions.

M. Sudholtz said that he spoke with a few high schoolers, and they volunteered to do some work at Moat’s Park on the pitching blocks in the batting cages. It may cost the Ball Association a little for materials, but the labor will be free. If they are noticed missing, they are not stolen, just being worked on. S. Ramey said that they should know if they make purchases they cannot be reimbursed for tax, but she has a bar code that can be used at Menards for the tax exemption.

D. Weaner made the comment that because phones need updating so often, it may be a good idea to have a policy in place that every other year there is a set amount that can be used to purchase new phones. S. Ramey stated that if it were set up that way, it would be so

that two phones could be purchased every year, and that way it would not be four phones every other year.

New Business

ORDINANCE 22-11-01- AN ORDINANCE TO RESTRICT PARKING FROM STONE LOT ON N ROCK ST


Motion to Accept <u>O-22-11-01</u> and do so as an Emergency	S. Rohrs
Seconded	R. Valle
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogel song	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y


M. Sudholtz asked if a deer were to get hit and it was on a property in the village, are the village employees allowed to move it or dispose of it or do they have to call the sheriff. D. Weaner said that he once taught hunter’s education and according to ODNR, if there is a police report filed on it, it is the property of the person who filed the report. If there was no report filed, then it is the property of whoever it wonders into. If they do not want it, they can call the sheriff and it will be tagged and signed over. H. Hyman stated that the best course of action would be to call the sheriff and have the tag issued.

A streets committee was created that includes R. Valle, A. Buchhop, and J. Hohenberger. They will set up a meeting.

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn	J. Vogel song
Seconded	R. Valle
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y


Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk


Jackie D. Stantz, Mayor

