

**ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**November 8, 2022**

The Zoar Village regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Gordon at 6:00 pm.

**Roll Call:**

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| David Irwin     | Present | Mark Gaynor   | Present |
| Tom Klingaman   | Present | Kim Klingaman | Present |
| Gayle Potelicki | Present | Joe Potelicki | Present |

A motion to approve the 10/11/2022 regular meeting minutes was made by Mark and seconded by Gayle. Roll Call: All yes. A motion to approve the 10/3/2022 special meeting minutes was made by Mark and seconded by Gayle. Roll Call: All yes.

The following bills were presented for signature to be paid in November 2022:

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| AEP               | 430.21 | Street Lighting                |
| AEP               | 77.44  | Community Center               |
| Scott Gordon      | 150.00 | Salary November                |
| Martina Mann      | 450.00 | Salary November                |
| OPERS             | 108.00 | November                       |
| FIA Card Services | 55.08  | Tire Repair/Comm Center Repair |
| Harold Raines     | 125.00 | Cremation Burial               |
| WEX Bank          | 55.42  | Fuel Village Truck             |
| Columbia Gas      | 157.08 | Community Center               |
| David Irwin       | 10.00  | Reimburse PEP Fire Ext Cert    |
| Tusc Cty Wtr Swr  | 84.26  | Comm Center Sept/Oct           |

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial statements and pay the monthly bills for November was made by Gayle and seconded by Kim. Roll Call: All yes.

**Public Speaks:**

Shawn with the Bolivar Fire Department requested to store a fire truck, during the winter or until it is sold, at the Zoar Village Community Center. Their insurance company covers the truck wherever the vehicle goes. The village will not be liable for any damage it may cause while stored there. If, during its stay, there is a community event, it would be temporarily moved. Council unanimously agreed to allow. Shawn also asked the Village to consider moving voting back to the Community Center building in the future as it has more space than the current location of the Baptist Church.

**Fiscal:**

Martina stated that she and Patty were still working on the temporary appropriations and this would be included in December's package.

### **Street Committee:**

David noticed a discrepancy on one of the vouchers, OPERS. There was a typographical error and this was corrected. David stated there is a need for paper products for the Community Center restrooms and the Board was presented with a quote. Motion to approve by Kim and seconded by Gayle. Roll Call: All yes. The Village truck's two front shocks need replaced. The quoted parts from Ford were \$147. David asked for \$250 for any other additional needs he comes across while replacing those parts. Motion to approved by Joe and seconded by Tom. Roll Call: All yes. David stated there has been a lot of tree trimming work (75 hours reported for Tree City report) on Main Street, Cherry Hill, 1st St, Cemetery etc. David mentioned that the corporation sign on SR212 North was peeling. Scott will contact ODOT to replace.

### **Safety Committee:**

Tom again stated the concern of people hunting at the end of 5th Street- Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. This particular area is within the village corporation limits, and with Doug Frautschy's guidance the Council decided a metal "No Public Hunting" sign will be placed per a village ordinance. Tom mentioned the Fire Department's recent ISO rating and asked Shawn to fill everyone in on how we are rated as a Village and Township. Shawn stated the Village's ISO rating went from a 3 to a 4 when a fire department was no longer located in Zoar. The County water system itself needs attention. This rating is very good and should have little or no impact on insurance rates.

### **Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission:**

Gayle stated that PC agreed to pass the Ordinance changes, with a stipulation that there was an understanding the ordinances would be reviewed in 2023 for language consistency, other factors- like not having the driveways in this time. PC will review that through 2023. The PC passed 3 to 1 to approve the International Maintenance Code. There will be parts that will be used and parts that won't- adopted as Zoar Maintenance Code Standards. There were several ongoing issues with permits- Cherry Hill and Park Street. The Zoning Officer would like Council to vote that the Zoning Officer can write violations and fine people and would like this information in the paper for public's knowledge. Discussion on getting PO Box, addresses and emails from residents of the village to help with the post office issues.

Mark informed the Council about the "Building Doctor" class for historic preservation that was attended by several members of HPC..

### **Solicitor Report:**

Doug stated that Jill retired from Regional Planning and they now have a new director.

### **Mayor's Notes:**

Scott explained that the Army Corps is in the final process phase with the levee which included reshaping the final grade and getting ready for the topsoil. There is a problem with them moving the fence like previously arranged. After much discussion with the Army Corps, Scott left them with the knowledge that Zoar doesn't want any issues after they leave. Army Corps will be replacing some panels. The fence will not be moved. The ball field will be reseeded and Scott wants to go for a grant to add a piece of playground equipment. In addition to this, ZCA would like to move the carport from the #3 House to a new park area and be placed as sort of a pavilion with some added picnic tables.

The Appalachian Community Grant Program is somewhat complex. It looks like Ohio and Erie Canal and the County Parks Department are going to go for a combined grant for completing the Towpath Trail through Dover to New Phila and include the connector from the footbridge into Zoar. This grant uses points, the more points you have improve your chances of being selected. OMEGA is the official grant applicant, we would have to sign a resolution to grant them to be the applicant for the plan to be submitted. Scott hasn't received this yet.

Tusc Art Project, they will do a preview at the PAC Center December 8. Community Center, Mike Smith has given information on a catering kitchen. Post Office update – a 7 page letter was hand delivered to Bolivar Post Master. He told Scott that he will give it to his supervisor to review and try to work out a resolution regarding the mail issues and overweight truck on village side streets. Paving of 212 through Zoar will be done next year and will include new higher reflective crosswalks.

**Ordinance 2022-05:** Zoning Ordinance revision. A motion to approve a public hearing for the revised zoning revisions to be scheduled at the December 13, 2022 Council meeting was made by Joe and seconded by Tom. Roll Call: All yes. A motion to approve the Zoning Officer's request to write violation notices and to issue fines as provided in the Zoning Ordinance was made by Tom and seconded by Gayle. Roll Call: All yes.

**Ordinance 2022-12:** Public Defender's Contract. 3<sup>rd</sup> and Final reading. Motion to approve made by Mark and seconded by Tom. Roll Call: All yes. Ordinance passed.

**Resolution 2022-14:** Solid Waste Plan. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

**Ordinance 2022-17:** Temporary Appropriations for 2023. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.

**Ordinance 2022-18:** Create Fund and amend appropriations for the Reeves grant and allocating into the new fund. Motion to suspend rules and regulations made by Gayle and seconded by Mark. Roll Call: All yes. Motion to pass as an emergency made by Gayle and seconded by David. Roll Call: All yes. Ordinance passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 was made by David and seconded by Joe.

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Martina Mann, Fiscal Officer

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Scott Gordon, Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_