

ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
May 9, 2023

The Zoar Village regular Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Gordon at 4:05 pm.

Roll Call:

David Irwin	Present	Mark Gaynor	Present
Tom Klingaman	Present	Kim Klingaman	Present
Jill Harshey	Present		

A motion to approve the 4/11/2023 regular meeting minutes was made by Jill and seconded by Kim. Roll Call: All yes.

The following bills were presented for signature to be paid in May 2023:

AEP	415.04	Street Lighting
AEP	82.07	Community Center
Scott Gordon	150.00	Salary May
Martina Mann	450.00	Salary May
OPERS	108.00	OPERS May
Columbia Gas	73.88	Community Center
Tusc Cty Wtr Swr	41.43	Comm Center April
FIA Card Services	1,816.16	Siren Battery, Asphalt, Bear Carpet One
Scott Gordon	29.98	Trash Bags for Event Center
Eddy's Convenient Lawncare LLC	825.00	April Mowing
Staley Technologies	6,355.30	911 Siren
Staley Technologies	605.00	911 Siren Power Connection
	10,951.86	

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial statements and pay the monthly bills for May was made by Mark and seconded by David. Roll Call: All yes.

Public Speaks:

Village of Bolivar Fire Chief Shawn Lynch mentioned the American flag, donated by the Village of Bolivar Police Officer Eric Minor, has been placed on the flag pole located at the Zoar Village Hall.

Fiscal:

Martina stated that she looked into the PUCO invoice for damage prevention registration. After verifying the PUCO phone number, it was verified that this is a new required annual fee for entities that dig in the state of Ohio and utilize 811 services. Also, sat down with Patty and found that we somehow missed adding ARPA funds to the Permanent Appropriations. After council approval tonight, last month's invoices to Brinkman Excavating can be paid.

Street Committee:

David stated he had questions about the village mowing contract. Some sections of the Village are not getting mowed and some weed eating needs done. A couple of areas that haven't been mowed and are in the contract are the north side of 7th Street, along 1st Street and Cherry Hill. David contacted Doug to see if he heard back from the Army Corps. Doug has not had a response as of yet. Scott spoke of the Army Corps real estate people that want to purchase of a small piece of land from Gail Garbrant. The Corps stated that the village right-of-way for 2nd Street would not change. David stated that Zoar has the first siren in the Township hooked up through the 911 system and will be tested every 1st of the month at noon and will sound once. When there is a tornado siren, it will sound 3 times. This information will be mentioned at the 5/11/2023 Township Trustees meeting to try to get the word out to Township residents.

Safety Committee:

Tom discussed a possible ordinance for regulating golf cart use in the village. He stated that the village previously chose not to create one several years ago. Police Officer Eric Minor stated that the State does not cover the Village, that the Village would need to create its own. The State requires a licensed driver and carts must meet road safety requirements (signal lights, horn, etc.).

Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission:

PC – Scott stated that the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC), is being reconsidered by the PC. They agreed that the Village would be better off to craft its own ordinance code rather than directly adopting the IPMC. The second reading will be tonight, but a revised draft will be presented at the next Council meeting. The preservation of historic structures is the main focus of the code. There is not a consistent penalty code currently defined in the zoning ordinance. This is something the village needs to develop. Scott will ask Doug to put this together and asked Council approval for the cost. Tom mentioned several other violations in the village.

HPC – Mark stated at the next HPC meeting (Thursday night) there is a permit request for a fence replacement at 210 W. 4th Street.

Solicitor:

Doug was not present.

Mayor’s Notes:

Scott received a liquor permit request from the new Los Venados Restaurant to be located at the Tavern building. There was discussion regarding the building, suggested waiting on some progress to the outside of the building by the building owner before approving this liquor permit. All council agreed on this process. Army Corps is back working on the levee and doing the final grading. Thanked Martina and Patty on successfully completing the annual ARPA report. Talked about the remaining projects to be completed using the ARPA Funds. The storm damaged Zoar Garden center tree is being cleaned up by OHC. The stump will be grounded out and new tree (and surrounding disciple trees) will be planted in the fall. Regarding blighted properties, the County Health Department is getting a lot of reports from other communities. Report forms are available online to report any issues in communities. Reeves grant for \$10,000 has helped us get halfway toward the kitchen costs for the Zoar Event Center. More grants are available and are being looked into. Would like to get the front looking nice with signage out front in the near future.

Ordinance 2023-03: Adopting the International Property Maintenance Code. 2nd Reading.

Resolution 2023-06: Amend the Appropriations to include the ARPA Funds. Motion to suspend rules and regulations: motion- Mark, Tom seconded. All: yes. Motion to pass as an Emergency: motion- Mark, Kim seconded. All: yes.

Next meeting will take place on June 13, 2023. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 was made by Kim, seconded by Mark.

Martina Mann, Fiscal Officer

Scott Gordon, Mayor

Date: _____