

**ZOAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 9, 2024**

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

Roll Call:

David Irwin	Present	Mark Gaynor	Present
Jill Harshey	Present	David Gannon	Present
Jeff Eadie	Present	Kim Klingaman	Present

A motion to approve the 8/13/2024 regular meeting minutes was made by Jill Harshey and seconded by Mark Gaynor. Roll Call: David Irwin- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Jeff Eadie- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Gannon- yes, and Kim Klingaman- yes.

The following bills were presented for signature to be paid in September 2024:

1	AEP	456.58	Street Lighting
2	AEP	123.71	Community Center
3	Tom Klingaman	150.00	Salary September
4	Patty Smith	450.00	Salary September
5	OPERS	108.00	OPERS September
6	Columbia Gas	56.78	Community Center
7	Tusc Cty Wtr Swr	64.12	Community Center
8	Huntington Bank CC	143.37	Ink Fiscal, Grass Seed Straw
9	Village of Bolivar	1,513.00	Police Protection Services
10	Doug Frautschy	400.00	3rd Qtr Solicitor
11	Lacee Felix	435.00	2nd Qtr Litigation
12	Auditor of State	294.00	UAN 4th Quarter Fees
13	Eddy's Convenient Lawncare LLC	900.00	Mowing Contract
14	David Irwin	10.00	Reimburse Fire Extinguisher Tags

**5,104.56**

Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial statements and pay the monthly bills for September was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by David Irwin. Roll Call: David Irwin- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Jeff Eadie- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Gannon- yes, and Kim Klingaman- yes.

**Public Speaks:** None.

**Fiscal:** Patty stated the budgets are due to the county auditor by September 30, 2024. She will schedule with David Irwin concerning the street budget. Tom and Kim will also meet with Patty and go over all budgets before submission. She said carry over for all budgets is looking pretty good. Patty will provide council with copies at the October meeting.

Patty stated the cemetery grant was not awarded and suggested council pass at this meeting a resolution to amend appropriations in the cemetery fund to allow for an additional \$5,000 in

appropriations to support the costs needed to move forward with Phase I expansion. She said the cemetery has the funding to support these costs.

**Street Committee:** David Irwin stated he ordered the crack seal material and it will be arriving this week.

**Safety Committee:** David Gannon sent a letter requesting a meeting with Scott Reynolds of the Tuscarawas County Economic Development Department.

David said that the Village of Navarre is posting a job opening for a zoning inspector. He said he has seen quite a few of these postings. David would like to see Zoar hire a zoning inspection if the budget can support.

### **Planning Commission, Historic Preservation Commission and Event Center Building Committee:**

**PC** - Tom said the PC met last week to discuss abandoned properties issues. Melissa Dials thought she may have access to an ordinance concerning this from the city of Medina. She said their ordinance actually incorporates a Historic District. PC also talked about scheduling a meeting with ZCA to begin discussion of a possible line item in the budget for Zoar from OHC. Tom stated OHC owns quite a few buildings in Zoar that do not support the village with taxes. He would like to begin discussions with OHC and see if they could support the village with some funding as they enjoy no taxation, and police, fire, and EMS protection that is paid by the Village. David Irwin stated he was successful in getting OHC to help with paving costs a few years back.

**HPC** – Mark Gaynor said HPC will meet this Thursday evening. The Event Center meeting will follow the HPC meeting. Mark stated 2 permits have been submitted for review.

### **Event Center Building Committee –**

Mark will be submitting a grant to the Reeves Foundation this month. He will request funding for a generator, possibly additional tables and chairs, and acoustic panels for the meeting room.

Mark requested an estimate for the acoustic panels and an analysis of how many will be needed from ProAV. They will conduct an audio test and recommend a solution to the acoustic problem. He will attempt to expedite the estimate for the Reeves Grant submittal.

**Solicitor:** Doug contacted the agencies helping the village with the Dover Zoar road possible annexation. He was basically told this will take some time. Nothing new to report.

Tom was approached about the possibility of closing east street and ask Doug to explain the process. Doug stated it is possible if by closing no one is land locked or if access is cut off. Doug said if these two items are satisfied the street can be vacated if council wishes.

**Additions to Agenda:** None

**Mayor's Notes:**

Tom will contact the surveyor and Red Oak about the cemetery Phase I expansion if council chooses to allow the resolution for the funding.

There was a brief discussion on the need to replace the levies in 2025. David Gannon would like to see some of the increased money be used for a zoning inspection. Patty commented that they generally command \$100 per hour.

Tom and Kim secured the Tuscarawas County United Soccer League to use the Event Center for spaghetti dinners beginning in December. The negotiated rate is 20% of the proceeds for rental of the facility initially and to re-visit after a few months. Patty said this is a win win for both the TC United Soccer League and the Village. Everyone should try to pack the house for these events.

TC United requested the village provide some cooking utensils and pots and pans. Tom suggested using the money left over from the landscaping for the flagpole, monument area. A total of \$400 was raised at the Ladies Tea during the Civil War Event. The money went to ZCA who gave the village a check in the amount of \$400 intended for the landscaping. The landscaping was completed mostly with volunteer labor and materials. Tom will request a letter from Jon Elsasser asking if the balance of the money can be used to purchase items for the Event Center kitchen.

**Ordinance 2023-08:** Update Ordinance 1984-12 Village Street Weight Limit. **On hold.**

2<sup>nd</sup> reading on a resolution to accept the amounts and rates of the Tuscarawas County Budget Commission.

1<sup>st</sup> reading to approve Public Defender's Agreement for Indigent Services

1<sup>st</sup> reading to continue the adoption of the alternative formula from Tuscarawas County Budget Commission.

Amend Appropriations as an emergency to support funds needed in Cemetery Fund (2031) to continue expansion Phase I. Additional appropriation of \$5,000 in cemetery fund. Motion to suspend rules and regulations was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by Kim Klingaman. Roll Call: David Irwin- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Jeff Eadie- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Gannon- yes, and Kim Klingaman- yes. Motion to pass as an emergency was made by Mark Gaynor and seconded by Kim Klingaman. Roll Call: David Irwin- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Jeff Eadie- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Gannon- yes, and Kim Klingaman- yes.

Next meeting will take place on October 8, 2024, 6PM. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by David Gannon and seconded by Kim Klingaman. Roll Call: David Irwin- yes, Jill Harshey- yes, Jeff Eadie- yes, Mark Gaynor- yes, David Gannon- yes, and Kim Klingaman- yes.

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Patty Smith, Fiscal Officer

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Thomas Klingaman, Mayor

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