

**Village of Clinton
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 5, 2023**

Mayor Bud McDaniel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 7:00 PM in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chuck Clark and recited by those present.

Council Members present: Janice Godwin, Ellen Conroy, Marissa Gensimore, Kent Goch, and Louis Rash. Matt Steiner was absent.

Others Present: Residents Diane Gunter and Chuck Clark; Fire Chief, Wayne Conroy; and Street Superintendent, Kevin White.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Goch made a motion to approve the minutes of August 15, 2023 as written, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll Call: Rash, Gensimore, Goch, Godwin, and Conroy voted yes. Motion passes.

Solicitor Monthly Report – No report.

Police Monthly Report

Officer Zampelli read the report (passed out for the packet). Mayor McDaniel brought up the speeding on Clinton Road. The officer will provide a run of year-to-date numbers. The speed cart will not work and is away being fixed.

Mr. Rash asked about putting a car there every day. He said they would put an extra patrol on Clinton Road. Mrs. Gensimore said speeding is on every road – and the off-road vehicles cause problems as well. She indicated the packet lists residents who attended the last meeting with issues about the speeding.

Fire Chief Monthly Report

Chief Conroy read the monthly report (in the packet).

Street Commissioner Monthly Report

Mr. White said there was storm damage to address this month and grass mowing. Mr. Rash asked about Hickory Street going up to the hill on the left. There are branches sticking out and a limb hit his wife in the head. Mr. White said he trims branches before leaves come out and will look at what needs to be done for the coming year. Mr. Rash asked about the stripes on the road as well. Mr. White is expecting calls from two individuals about this.

Fiscal Officer's Report – No Report.

Unfinished Business – No Unfinished business.

Mayor's Communications

Mayor McDaniel reported on the quotes received for the outside lighting that needs done and the final quote came in which is the best – approximately \$1,275 to make our Village sign LED, a spotlight on

the flag, and the sign, "Village Greens," lit. A photocell needs added. Mayor McDaniel will ask about this addition to the electric project. This is still a great price compared to the others.

Mayor McDaniel reported on a NWS Sky Warn training session coming up on severe weather overview if there was any interest to attend.

Mayor McDaniel met with Michael Gainer who is the Assistance VP of Field Operations of Go Rail. They discussed the issue of the train stopping at our, and local intersections for lengthy periods of times. Orville has a train that was raised up due to this problem of blocking intersections. Mr. Rash said they told us this would not happen – the blocking of all three main roads. Mayor McDaniel asked Mr. Gainer to check into this situation and will get back to council when he has anything new to report.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports

Mrs. Gensimore said she needs articles by September 8 for the next Community Newsletter.

Mrs. Gensimore asked if council wants to have Trick or Treat on October 31, 2023 which is a Tuesday.

Mrs. Godwin made a motion to have Trick or Treat on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, seconded by Mrs. Gensimore.

Roll call: All in favor said YES. No one was against. Motion passed.

Mrs. Conroy asked if anyone can set up an area on Main Street to pass out treats this year. She was told yes, and a car could be decorated and candy given out – like Trunk or Treat. The insurance company needs to be asked about it.

Applefest is on September 17, 2023.

Citizens Comments

Chuck Clark brought up a noise issue concerning roosters crowing constantly. He asked about the noise ordinance. Police have been called but cannot do more as our ordinance doesn't cover excessive noise during daylight hours. He asked the Village to adopt Summit County's ordinance.

Mr. Goch said this has come up in the past and using decibel meters the readings can be different. Mrs. Gensimore stated that she has spoken to him about this and can be discussed at the next Laws and Ordinance Committee meeting.

Mayor McDaniel reminded council that in the early 2000's, decibel levels were written in our ordinance and years later we took it out as the meter's accuracy came into question. He asked the Committee to find out what New Franklin's ordinance states as we contract with them. We have a lot of new technology now, even on our phones.

Mr. Rash asked how do you determine what is noisy? Is it a lawn mower? A car? Some areas, depending on acreage, is different. Mayor McDaniel advised that he had just opened a decibel app on his phone and can read the noise decibel in council chambers right now. Mrs. Gensimore said we also have nuisance ordinances that we can explore as well.

Diane Gunter reminded everyone about Appfest and asked how they could deter the yellow jackets. She was reminded of what they did last year and will try again.

Resolutions and Ordinances

First Readings

Resolution No. R-23-19

A Resolution Amending the Annual Appropriations for the Current Expenses and Other Expenditures of the Village for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2023, and Declaring an Emergency.

New Business

Mr. Goch made a motion to approve the Mayor entering into an agreement, not to exceed \$1,500, with Jason Spencer Electrical Service LLC, for exterior Village Hall lighting repairs as quoted, second by Mr. Rash.

Roll Call: Gensimore, Goch, Godwin, Conroy and Rash voted yes. Motion passes.

Council General Discussion

Mr. Rash said he asked for several things to be done and it never gets done. He asked about stripes on the road. Mayor McDaniel asked, do we spend the money now on the stripes or wait till we do the other road and all at one time as a cost savings. Mr. Rash said Hickory is slanted and Mrs. Gensimore agreed drivers don't know the right side from the left, but this happens even when there are lines in the middle of the road. She said we need to do the best job possible with the money we have. Mayor McDaniel asked Mr. Rash to create a list of areas that need addressed and he will get with the zoning inspector about it. Mr. Rash was not sure if he would be preparing this list.

You can get Akron Zoo tickets online and they will be good for the month of September. Village Hall has a limited amount.

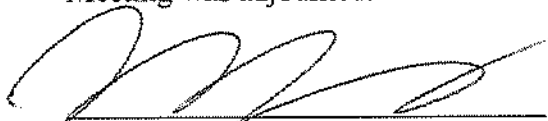
Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

Mrs. Conroy made a motion to approve the purchase orders and bills, second by Mr. Rash.

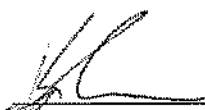
Roll Call: Goch, Godwin, Conroy, Rash and Gensimore voted yes. Motion passes.

Mr. Rash made a motion to adjourn at 7:49 PM, and was seconded.

Meeting was adjourned.



Mayor Bud McDaniel



Kent Goch, President of Council



Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer