VILLAGE OF CASTALIA MEETING MINUTES

March 22, 2022

The Council of the Village of Castalia met in Regular Session on March 22, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall at 126 Main Street Castalia, Ohio. The meeting was called to order followed by Roll Call with the following in attendance: Mayor, Kevin Nemitz, President James Johnson, Si Nicholson, Jake Smith, Georgia Artrip, and Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to table the approval of the 3/8/2022 minutes until the 4/12/2022 meeting. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the Financial Report of 3/21/2022. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Artrip made a motion to accept Payment Warrants from 3/8/2022 to 3/21/2022. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the Receipts from 3/8/2022 to 3/21/2022. Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Johnson stated there is a sink hole on West Main Street (205 Main Street) in front of the First Congregational Church. The estimate from Paul Fox Co. is from \$8,875 and to not exceed \$14,921, this includes the use of a temporary traffic light when the sink hole is repaired. Mr. Smith made a motion to approve Paul Fox Co. to repair the sink hole located at 205 Main Street, which includes the use of a temporary traffic light with a cost from \$8,875 to not exceed \$14,921. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The motion carried. Mr. Johnson will contact Mr. Fox.

There was a discussion on a sidewalk study for the Village. Council members commented that the repair of roads in the Village are the top priority.

Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm stated the Village received \$69,419.45 for the first half real estate taxes. Ms. Niehm also stated she has been having difficulty receiving all of the Village mail. Ms. Niehm stated there are some invoices that are addressed to 126 Main Street that are not being received. Ms. Niehm will notify vendors to please send all correspondence to the p.o. box.

Mr. Nemitz stated an estimate for a new 95% efficient furnace for the Village Hall was received from Keller Plumbing for \$3,412.00.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the estimate of \$3,412.00 for a new 95% efficient furnace for the Village Hall from Keller Plumbing. Mr. Nicholson seconded the Motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. The motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer stated the website photographs will be rotated. The maintenance fee from Sterling will be \$800.00 a year for the website. Council members agreed the Village Charter and the Zoning Resolution will need to go on to the website eventually. Mrs. Weyer stated the Village website will be up and running by the first week in April followed by the Village newsletter to residents.

Mr. Johnson stated he will be on vacation the first week in April. Mr. Nemitz stated he will be on vacation starting April 9, 2022 and President of Council, Mr. Jim Johnson will be in charge.

There was a discussion on the repairs that were not completed due to the damage from the snow plow this winter. Mr. Brett Kromer did not do the repairs, Gysan Landscaping will do the repairs for the Village.

There was a discussion on the signs for the Easter Program. Mrs. Artrip stated the program will be in the parking lot of the coffee shop and not on Main Street.

Mr. Nicholson stated he emailed the Erie Metro Parks and is also working on getting estimates on the Village Hall restrooms.

There was a discussion on the Village ordinances in regards to the Sherriff department enforcing them. Council stated Mr. Strickler needs to review the ordinances.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to enter into Executive Session with no further business to come before Council. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes. The Council went into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to exit the Executive Session. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. The Council exited the Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Nicholson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mr. Johnson, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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