

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of VILLAGE OF CLEVES Council Meeting Held on June 8, 2022

Mayor Stephen Myers began the Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Member Mr. Kurtis Hume was sworn in for the remainder of Mrs. Tricia Brady's term ending December 31, 2023.

Roll Call was taken. Mr. Hume, Mrs. Myers, Mr. Williams and Ms. Boyce were present. Village Administrator Rahall and Solicitor Nicholas were also present.

Motion to Approve Previous Council Meeting Minutes from May 11, 2022 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR

Motion to Approve Special Meeting of Council held May 19, 2022 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Ms. Boyce. ALL IN FAVOR

A Motion to Adopt of Pay Ordinance #6-2022 was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR

A Motion to excuse Mr. Burns' absence was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Mr. Williams. ALL IN FAVOR

A Motion to excuse Ms. Meister's' absence was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Ms. Boyce. ALL IN FAVOR

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Mayor Myers said he would lift the 3-minute limit on members of the public addressing Council if there were no objections. Hearing no objections, the Hearing of the Public began with:

Mr. Chuck Birkholtz, 604 Coleberry Court, thanked the Mayor for the opportunity last month for 109 and 119 N. Miami to be placed on the Agenda. He said he had hoped there would have been an opportunity for Public discussion at that last meeting. Mr. Birkholtz discussed recent events at 109 and 119 N. Miami, noting that someone had sawn the steps in half leading to the second floor.

Mrs. Erin Jennings, 118 Porter Street, said there were witnesses to the damage at 119 N. Miami. She said she was worried about safety. She asked "what if someone took shots at 119 N. Miami and hit her house?" She said she had been a resident at her address for 14 years and she told her family members to move away..

Ms. Monica Maddy, renter at 118 Porter Street, stated she has sent pictures by email and feels nothing has been done. She said a maniac cut the steps, what happens when the next maniac decides to shoot or burn down 119 N. Miami.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 4 – 2022: A RESOLUTION CONSENTING THAT THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION MAY RESURFACE A PORTION OF SR 264 IN THE VILLAGE OF CLEVES

Mr. Knuf explained why ODOT was asking for the approval. After a short discussion:

A Motion to adopt Resolution No. 4-2022 was made by Mrs. Myers. Seconded by Ms. Boyce. **ALL IN FAVOR**

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – 2022: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT RACK AND BALLAUER EXCAVATING AS THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR THE SOUTH MIAMI REHABILITATION PROJECT

Mr. Rahall explained the project proposal, saying a portion would be paid from a grant and the remainder would be paid from a 20-year 0% Interest OPWC Loan. Ms. Boyce congratulated him for his work on obtaining financing for the project and getting all the different grants. After a discussion:

A Motion to adopt Resolution No. 5-2022 was made by Mrs. Myers. Seconded by Ms. Boyce. **ALL IN FAVOR**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE

Sgt. Carney was not available. Lt. Downey provided the following information. The statistics for May, 2022 included 176 calls for service, 37 were non-billable. The calls included 1 criminal report, 5, non-criminal, 5 auto accidents and 3 citations having been issued for the month.

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FIRE

Fire Chief Brien Lacey informed Council that the Run Report data for June, 2022 was unavailable. There was a discrepancy between the Departments in house totals and the Communication Center's. The person in charge at the Communication Center is on vacation, so the Run Totals will be included in next month's Council Packet. The Department training for the month included working with Air Care and swift water rescue. He discussed the runs to 109 N. Miami and explained why the patient was not transported. He said the investigation at 119 N. Miami is still ongoing. The Chief explained the Condemnation process, saying the upper unit had been condemned, but if someone enters it is a civil matter, not something they or the Sheriff's Office can enforce. The Chief also mentioned a great process from the Sheriff's Dept. with rolling road blocks for the parade, first time he experienced it here, very successful.

SERVICE

Service Director John Knuf said they had spent most of their time on grass cutting and had cleared a fallen tree on Symmes St. He stated the Video Camera for surveillance, purchased with a grant from the Ohio EPA would be installed in July. It will be situated to observe the Recycling Dumpsters at the Service Department. Mayor Myers asked about the drainage in the alley. Mr. Knuf said the Storm Sewer Project was still held up waiting on pipe. He said he would ask the contractor if they could start in the alley in order to repair the alley road surface. Ms. Boyce thanked Mr. Knuf on Yard of the Month Committee.

WATER

Superintendent, Mr. Eric Winhusen stated 25 million gallons were pumped in May. Mr. Winhusen also announced that the Ohio EPA had completed its survey of the entire water system and found no violations. Mr. Rahall added that the Village received a letter from the OEPA saying there were no violations and commended the Water Works and Mr. Winhusen for addressing the tank repairs in such a timely and efficient manner.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator, Mr. Mike Rahall, said the Pre-Construction meeting for the Roy Rogers site is set for next week and the project will be started in the summer and completed in the fall. Mayor Myers asked about getting the dirt moved. He also discussed the Miami Ave. paving project that will be starting soon if all goes well. Mr. Rahall said the Memorial Day Parade was well attended and went off very well. He reported that the Park playground equipment installation is expected to begin June 10th provided the final piece of equipment arrives. The project is expected to take 3 weeks to complete. He announced that the Village recycled 45 tons of materials last year and received \$343.85 in a grant for the program. He said while that does not cover the cost of the recycling bins in the Village, the amount of material not going to the landfill is sizeable.

OLD BUSINESS

119 N. Miami Ave.

Mayor Myers asked if anyone had anything to add to this issue, there were no additional comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Levy Renewal

Mr. Rahall suggested the Renewal of the Current 3.9 mil operating levy be Council's priority. He said renewing that levy seemed to be the better choice and then addressing what to do about the levy which failed last November.

Tax Budget Hearing

Proposed for Prior to July 13, 2022 Council Meeting, at 6:45 PM. Mr. Brett explained the process, saying the tax budget is required, however does not greatly reflect the Villages actual Appropriations.

Mrs. Myers moved to set the Tax Budget Hearing for July 13, 2022 Council Meeting, at 6:45 PM. Seconded by Ms. Boyce.

ALL IN FAVOR

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Mayor Myers said the Finance and Parks Meetings were being rescheduled to July 5th instead of the normal committee meeting date of July 6th due to conflicts with attendance for members.

For Discussion:

Ordinance X-2022: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 13-2012 AND ENACTING REGULATIONS ON CHRONIC NUISANCES

Solicitor Nicholas explained that the proposed Ordinance would grant the authority to levy fines for properties meeting the Chronic Nuisance definition. He explained that Council can choose how long the period of looking back at problems at any particular property take place. He also explained that Property Owners would have the right to Appeal any fines to the Legislative Body of choice and then to the Full Village Council if they wished. The process of identifying the actual valid complaints verses the neighbor not liking their other neighbor and calling in complaints was discussed with Lt. Downey commenting on that issue. Mrs. Myers suggested looking at a 90-day review and a 12 month look back period to prevent someone from avoiding the issue for a short period to avoid the penalty and then resuming the problematic issues. Mayor Myers asked that the Ordinance be reviewed by the Sheriff's Office and the Fire Department for comments so the Ordinance can be placed on the July Agenda.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks

Ms. Boyce discussed the meeting saying Mr. Burns would like to gather historical Information about the Park to archive the history. She also discussed the Yard of the Month program. Mr. Rahall reported that the parking areas were being reviewed to allow more parking for Soccer Tournaments. Mayor Myers said a map of the Park was being looked into for the Committee to discuss items and also asked Mr. Knuf about the ball field dirt. Mr. Knuf said as soon as it is available it will be delivered. The material is not available at this time.

Finance

Mayor Myers has asked Councilperson Hume to serve on the Finance Committee, saying Mrs. Brady had previously been on that Committee. Mr. Brett reported that, as the Mayor had mentioned, the July Committee meeting would be held on Tuesday July 5th instead of Wednesday July 6th. The Committee was informed the 2020 – 2021 Audit was completed and being reviewed at the State. Mr. Brett also said Mr. Burns, who stayed after the Parks Meeting, had asked for an update on our current Financial Situation. Mayor Myers discussed the 5 Year Budget saying we need to have something more that just Mr. Knuf's large Project Projections. Ms. Boyce, who also stayed, suggested we have a goal setting meeting. Mayor Myers said a 5-year plan would help our projections and budgeting process. The use of a Facilitator was discussed, both the Pro's and Con's.

Mayors Report

Mayor Myers said he had nothing to add at this time.

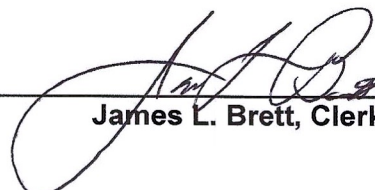
Ms. Boyce added that she wanted to thank Mr. Williams and his wife for helping with the planting of the Flower Planters placed throughout the Village.

There being no further business:

**A Motion to Adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:54 P.M. was made by Mrs. Myers; seconded by Ms. Boyce
ALL IN FAVOR**



Mayor Stephen Myers



James L. Brett, Clerk of Council