

PRESIDING OFFICER, THOMAS J. GARDNER, MAYOR

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Joe Bourne, Ed Steffek, Brandie Bourne, John Little, Nate Penrod, Steve Adams

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER ATTENDEES: Rick Swiger, DJ Meek, Donna Meek, Chief Rocky Dusenberry

VISITORS: Nancy Bourne, Jacquie Price, Paul Harvey, Judy Steinbach, Sandra Mann, John Bourne

PLEDGE

The meeting was opened with The Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Gardner.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Joe Bourne and seconded by Ed Steffek to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the minutes from regular meeting held September 6, 2022. All council members present were in favor. (Nate Penrod did not attend the entire meeting on 9-6-22 – approval given only on the minutes in which he was in attendance).

VISITORS

*Heard from resident Jacquie Price and Sandra Mann complaints of poor communication to village residents from the village administration. Price also questioned the need to pass resolutions and ordinances by emergency measures instead of having 3 readings.

*Visitor Judy Steinbach reported that lights are out at the pavilion. Steinbach also requested defining the two pavilions at Belden Park to indicate which size of pavilion is available to rent.

PAY BILLS

***Motion made by Steve Adams** and seconded by Brandie Bourne to pay bills from respective funds. Roll call as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Ed Steffek yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne yay, John Little yay, Steve Adams yay.

FISCAL OFFICER

*Agreed to contract with Joe Krocker for monthly website updates. The village website has been down for a period of time and is now back up and running; but updates are badly needed. Krocker will update monthly minutes, resolutions and ordinances as needed at a cost of \$45 per month.

Motion made by Steve Adams and seconded by Joe Bourne to approve the agreement with Krocker. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

*Reviewed the proposed budget for year 2023 with village council.

Motion made by Brandie Bourne and seconded by John Little to submit the proposed budget to the county auditor as stated. Roll call was taken and all council members present were in favor.

POLICE

***Motion made by Brandie Bourne and** seconded by Steve Adams to hire two part time patrolmen. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor. Mayor Gardner will administer the oath of office in the near future. Kyle Lawver of the Gnadenuhuten Police Dept. and Tristan Lambert of the New Philadelphia Police Dept. will begin once the oath of office has been administered.

POLICE – CONT'D

*Police Chief Dusenberry discussed the proposed Ordinance 2022-05 for slow speed vehicles. Dusenberry is in favor of the ordinance and stated that violators of the ordinance will be given a warning first and a packet with instructions for compliance; and a scheduled time for inspection to obtain a sticker for operation on village streets.

STREET

*Street Supervisor Swiger indicated that 3 loads of stone have been purchased for alleys in the village.

ZONING

*Was reported that two applications are still out and incomplete.

COCHRAN-SOLICITOR

*No Reporting-Absent

INCOME TAX ADMINISTRATOR

*No Reporting

MAYOR

*Reviewed a request from FOHR LLC for approval on lot splits. The owner, Tony Martin purchased the canal land behind his property and now needs the 7 lots to be split (Lot #300(36), Lot #410(1), Lot #411(2), Lot #412(3), Lot #413(4), Lot #414(5), Lot #415(6).

Motion made by Steve Adams and seconded by Joe Bourne to approve and proceed with the lot splits as stated. Roll call as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Steve Adams yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne yay, John Little nay and Ed Steffek yay. Little expressed concerned of accessing the land on the other side of the canal.

*Reviewed Ordinance # 2022-05 for slow moving vehicles. Several spelling errors were found and no action was taken for passage.

*Heard that Erin Wright from The Thrasher Group will be present at the regular meeting on Oct. 18th to update the council on the proposed sidewalk project.

*Trick or Treat is tentatively set for Oct. 31st-Monday from 5:30 - 7pm.

JOE BOURNE

*Was reported – August Delaware Fire Dept. report with 5 calls.

*Heard that the Delaware Fire Dept. will be participating at the elementary school on Oct. 14th – Fire Prevention Week.

*The next Delaware Fire Dept. Breakfast is tentatively set for Oct. 8th from 8-11 am.

STEVE ADAMS

*Councilman Steve Adams expressed gratitude and credit to the village administration for their time and effort in projects that have improved the community. He indicated that since he has been on council; he has observed many accomplishments. The village has received over \$256,000 in grants in the last 7 years, installed new playground equipment at Belden Park, upgraded buildings and new roofing at Belden Park, constructed Bates Ballfield, upgraded the village street garage with doors and restroom, installed a new storage building, updated the village hall restrooms, purchased a new

STEVE ADAMS-CONT'D

mower and bobcat for the street dept, purchased a new street dept truck and a new police cruiser, cleaned up and trimmed numerous trees at the cemetery, assisted in upgrading improvements at the Historical Society Building, purchased the lot beside the village, demo of the "ugly mug" property and sold lot, paved numerous streets, assisted in providing 30% of the cost of the new Christmas Lights on Main Street, installed concrete to enable a handicap access to village hall and many other projects. He also noted the many hours of volunteer work that the administration has donated. He expressed pride for the Port Washington Village Administration for their continued effort in making the community a better place.

NATE PENROD

*No Reporting

JOHN LITTLE

*No Reporting

BRANDIE BOURNE

***Motion made by Brandie Bourne** and seconded by Joe Bourne to approve the usage of American Relief Funds to install an air purification system in the village hall. Approved Brotherhood HVAC Company's quote of \$6900.00. Roll call taken and all council members present were in favor.

ED STEFFEK

*Heard that the Tusc Cty Love Project meeting has been changed to the Oct. 18th.

TREASURER'S REPORT

* No Reporting

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting will be October 4, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Thomas J. Gardner, Mayor _____ Date

Darissa R. Lute, Fiscal Officer _____ Date

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

Motion made by Joe Bourne and seconded by Ed Steffek to suspend the rules and pass on emergency basis **Resolution 17-2022** accepting the alternate formula for Local Government Revenue. Roll call taken as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne yay, John Little yay, Ed Steffek yay, Steve Adams yay.

Motion made by Brandie Bourne and seconded by Joe Bourne to enact the said **Resolution 17-2022** as stated. Roll call taken as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne yay, John Little yay, Ed Steffek yay, Steve Adams yay.

Motion made by Joe Bourne and seconded by Steve Adams to suspend the rules and pass on emergency basis **Resolution 18-2022** to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission. Roll call taken as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne yay, John Little yay, Ed Steffek yay, Steve Adams yay.

Motion made by Joe Bourne and seconded by Ed Steffek to enact the said **Resolution 18-2022** as stated. Roll call taken as follows: Joe Bourne yay, Nate Penrod yay, Brandie Bourne yay, John Little yay, Ed Steffek yay, Steve Adams yay.