

VILLAGE OF BERRIEN SPRINGS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Village of Berrien Springs Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, March 07, 2022.

President Barry Gravitt called the council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: President Barry Gravitt, Trustees: Jack Davis, Lonna Johnson, Sheila Snyder, Sandy Swartz, Kristin von Maur, Clerk Sheri Kesterke and Attorney DeFrancesco.

Absent: None

Also Present: *The Journal Era* and several audience members.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

***Moved** by Sheila Snyder seconded by Lonna Johnson to approve the agenda with the addition under Finance & Personnel to pay the Treasurer for collection of 2021 delinquent taxes. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 21, 2022.

***Moved** by Sandy Swartz seconded by Kristin von Maur to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 21, 2022, as presented. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

*The *Central County Senior Center* March Newsletter was received.

Audience Comments: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL –

*The next regular committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

Pay the bills.

***Moved** by Jack Davis seconded by Kristin von Maur to pay the bills in the amount of \$71,160.09. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

Approve payment to the Treasurer for collection of 2021 delinquent taxes.

***Moved** by Sheila Snyder seconded by Kristin von Maur to pay the Treasurer for collection of 2021 delinquent taxes. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PROPERTIES AND ORDINANCE –

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FIRE – Trustee Jack Davis: Village Representative

*Future Fire Board Meeting dates in 2022 are: March 23, May 25, July 27, September 28 and November 16, 2022, at 5:00 P.M..

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Chair Sandy Swartz

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SHAMROCK PARK COMMITTEE – Sandy Swartz, Chair

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LIBRARY BOARD – Sandy Swartz

Nothing to report at this time.

MEDIC 1 – Clerk Sheri Kesterke

*Clerk Sheri Kesterke gave a synopsis of the Medic 1 Board Meeting held February 24, 2022.

RECREATION BOARD – Jack Davis

*Trustee Jack Davis stated they are starting enrollments for soccer, etc.

POLICE COMMITTEE –

*Future Police Board Meetings are scheduled for: April 28, July 28 and October 27, 2022, at 3:30 p.m..

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE: Chair Sheila Snyder

*Synopsis of the Committee Meeting held February 28, 2022.

*The next Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Square.

SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE: Chair Kelly Ewalt/update by Committee Member Sheila Snyder

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ONGOING BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS

Committee Appointments.

President Barry Gravitt handed out Council Committee Appointments.

President Pro-Tem Appointment.

***Moved** by Sandy Swartz seconded by Kristin von Maur to appoint Council Trustee Jack Davis as President Pro-Tem. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

***The April Committee Meetings were rescheduled** from Wednesday, April 13th to Wednesday, April 6, 2022.

Shamrock Spring Spruce-Up

***Moved** by Kristin von Maur seconded by Lonna Johnson to approve Shamrock Spring Spruce-Up Day, April 3, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

Approve Berrien County Foster Adoption Network Resource Fair to be located at Grove Park.

***Moved** by Sandy Swartz seconded by Lonna Johnson to approve the Berrien County Foster Adoption Network Resource Fair to be located at Grove Park again this year on July 28, 2022. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

***Council Workshop Scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.**

President Barry Gravitt scheduled a Council Workshop for Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. He asked each council member to bring to the workshop 3 or 4 ideas of what they would like to see done in the village. Projects that would enhance the livability of the village. He will compile them and make a list of priorities. He wants to get something done then move on to the next item on the list.

Audience Comments: None.

ADJOURNMENT

***Moved** by Sandy Swartz seconded by Lonna Johnson to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0. Motion carried.

Sheri Kesterke MiPMC/MMC
Village Clerk

Barry Gravitt
Village President