

THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER COUNCIL

Record of Proceedings

February 15, 2024

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Council President, Terry James
Council Member, Linda Wildman
Council Member, Lori Johnston
Council Member, Mike Gudakunst
Council Member,
Council Member, Christina Adams

The Village Council of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio met in regular session on the 15th of February 2024 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tammy Krais and all in attendance were asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken present were Mike Gudakunst, Christina Adams, Lori Johnston, Linda Wildman, and Terry James. Absent was Shawn Hall. A Motion to approve the minutes from February 1, 2024, Village Council meeting was made by Mike, 2nd by Linda. Roll Call: Yes: Lori, Linda, Mike, Terry, and Christina. Motion Carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS-none

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POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT- Acting Chief absent. Tammy reported that police wages need to be increased. The council will need to decide if they want to continue to go with a full-time Police Chief or go back to part-time. She was not sure if we would need an ordinance to move the full-time Police Chief position back to part-time. She stated that we would need to decide on the pay for the Police Chief. Terry stated that they kind of negotiated the pay at the safety meeting. He said that they were talking about raising it to \$30.00 an hour. He felt that the village would be saving money by not having to pay benefits for a full-time Police Chief. He also felt that raising the police officer's pay to between \$20.50 and hour to \$23.00 an hour depending upon their experience, would be sufficient, but would like to wait until we get a Police Chief in. Terry made a motion to raise the Police Chief pay to \$30.00 an hour 2nd by Linda. Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried.

Motion made by Terry, 2nd by Linda to move the Police Chief position from full-time to part-time.

Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT- Tom Wildman- Tom needs to reply to Hylant regarding driver's training so that we may get a discount on our insurance. He reported that the ambulance has had the wire harness replaced and that should play a big part in the repair.

April 27th there will be a banquet to celebrate the fire department being 130 years old. It will include an awards presentation for years of service award including a 60-year award presentation. The location is

TBA but will most likely be at the station. Tom reported that we have had a few runs in Perry Twp. and a mutual aid fire run. He spoke with a representative from Scott Twp., and they are pleased with the service from Bradner. Tom said that the Car show will be on the third weekend in July as usual.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS –

ORDINANCE 01-2024 ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL, SPECIFICALLY REGARDING THE RETIREMENT SECTION 5.14, Final reading.

Linda made a motion to pass seconded by Terry, Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE 02-2024 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER TO REHIRE JOHN LINKEY AS WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR, WASTEWATER OPERATOR, AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, second Reading.

Ordinance 04-2024-ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER TO HIRE MIMI YOON AS PROSECUTOR OF MAYOR’S COURT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion to suspend the rules made by Terry, seconded by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion Carried. Motion to pass made by Mike, 2nd by Terry. Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 05-2024- ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS WITH RS BORES EXCAVATING, INC. FOR EAST STREET TO EVANS STREET WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion to suspend the rules by Mike, 2nd by Terry. Roll Call; Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion to pass mad by Mike, 2nd by Terry. Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion Carried.

Resolution 02-2024- RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXECUTION OF A SCHEDULE WITH AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC. FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY ENERGY SAVINGS SMART THERMOSTAT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion to suspend the rules made by Terry, 2nd by Linda. Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion Carried. Motion to pass by Linda, 2nd by Terry. Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Linda, and Terry. Motion Carried.

Business of the Mayor- Mayor Kreais has been working on the USDA paperwork for the new fire station. She has also begun to work on American Legal Publishing to begin the process of codification. She stated that this will be a very time-consuming process. She stated that this will be sent in increments as she progresses through the job.

BUSINESS OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR –John Linkey- The village will be providing part-time inspection for the East Street/Evans Street inspection. The other half will be done by Kleinfelders. He reported that usually this wouldn’t be a problem, but it almost sounds like he is going to have to have to have a photograph of almost every stick of pipe that goes into the ground. He stated that he will be talking to the inspector from Kleinfelders to make sure that he is complying with what he is responsible for. This will start well after the first of March and maybe even the first of April before this gets started.

There may be a couple of pieces that will be openly drilled but most will be directly cut. He felt that most of the area would be filled back in with no problem as there isn't much rock. If anyone hears of residents having any questions or concerns, they can contact him directly. Regarding the bathroom project at the town hall, the Dotson Company has been awarded the project on behalf of the planning commission. This was community development block grant money that was doing the project. This should be starting after the first of March. John asked if they could give him a cost estimate for installing a new bathroom at the light plant as well. John met with the construction manager with Habitat for Humanity. They have purchased two lots at 121 Maple Steet. They anticipate building two houses there. They would like the lot split facing North and South, but John explained to them that they would have to go through zoning to do that. Tammy asked John if he had received any quotations to do East Park Lane and the remaining section of Lightner. He said that he has not but will do so and have them ready for the next meeting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT-Reid Rothenbuhler-not in attendance.

BUSINESS OF THE FISCAL OFFICER- Angie Roth- Absent- Tammy reported that the village has received a grant reimbursement check for \$5,410.76 from an EMS grant from 2023.

APPROVAL OF CLAIM ORDINANCE 04-2024 VC –Motion of approval of Claim Ordinance 04-2024 made by Terry, 2nd by Lori. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Linda and Terry Motion carried.

REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES – Safety/ Utilities has already been discussed as has Zoning/Streets Terry asked Christina if they had gotten their physicals for the fire department, and she said not yet. Tammy reported that she mailed the information to Kali Fisher.

OLD BUSINESS- Lori has been attending Solar Eclipse meetings to understand what to expect.

NEW BUSINESS- none

Motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm made by Linda, 2nd by Terry. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Linda and Terry. Motion carried.

ATTEST: *Angie Roth*
Fiscal Officer: Angie Roth

SIGNED: *Tammy Krais*
Mayor: Tammy Krais

Approved: 3/7/2024

SIGNED: *Terry James*
Council President: Terry James

