

THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER COUNCIL

Record of Proceedings

April 4, 2024

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

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

The Village Council of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio met in regular session on the 4th of April ,2024 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tammy Kreais 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, Shawn Hall, Linda Wildman, and Terry James. Also, in attendance were village employees, Brandon Donaldson and Jimmy Irwin. Motion to approve the minutes from March 21, 2024, council meeting was made by Mike, 2nd by Terry. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Linda, Terry, and Shawn. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: Brandon Donaldson and Jimmy Irwin (employees)

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS NOT ON THE AGENDA 5 MINUTE LIMIT- none

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT-Not in attendance

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT- Tom Wildman- Tom reported that the fire department will need to purchase 4-55-gallon drums to remove the expired foam which will be free of charge through a program from the State Fire Marshall's Office. He stated that that they will come to pick it up. April 27th at 5:30 p.m. will be the awards banquet for fire department members at the fire station. This year is also the 130th anniversary of the Bradner Fire department. Lori asked if it would be open to the public and Tom stated that it would not be as it is an awards banquet only.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS –

ORDINANCE 09-2024 ORDINANCE ENACTING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE EXPENSE OF TRIMMING AND MAINTAINING TREES ALONG THE STREETS IN THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER. (second reading)

ORDINANCE 10-2024 ORDINANCE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE STREETS IN THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER BY LIGHTING AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF THE COST THEREOF ON ALL THE LOTS AND LANDS IN THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER. (second reading)

BUSINESS OF THE MAYOR – Mayor Kreais- Tammy printed off an e-mail that she received from the USDA regarding the figures that Angie provided for the past five years budget per their request. According to the USDA, those figures show that the village is projected to have an estimated loss of \$69,278.00 and the special revenue account only shows a net of \$1,973.00. According to the USDA, this would prevent the village from showing repayment ability if it should need a loan from them to complete the new fire station. John mentioned that the USDA was taking the general fund, the new fire station fund, the fire station fund, and the ambulance fund into account. The new fire station fund has no revenue going into it as it is all donations. Whatever goes out of it shows up as a loss. The ambulance fund revenue coming into it is what we transport locally and what we do out of Perry Twp. Typically we show around 10-15 runs per year. This is where the loss is at. John stated that the only year that the fire fund shows a loss of revenue was in 2019 when it paid for a new tanker which was about 268,000.00. He feels that they are lumping everything together. He also explained that the fire fund is the only fund that is paying towards the new station, not any of the other funds. The USDA previously explained that it is a general obligation debt and that is why they had to look at everything. John further stated that the fund that is creating the biggest loss is the ambulance fund. In 2019, the SE Ambulance district was voted in so it should have shown a loss because of this. Terry asked John what he thought was the solution. John stated that he thought that the absolute minimum that the village needs to borrow is 130,000.00 at 7200 square feet at \$200.00 a square foot if everything would fall into place perfectly. He also presented the council with a couple of scenarios if the village would borrow 200,00.00 and 300,00.00. In the end, the USDA is requesting a written budget for the project from the Design Builders. John sent them a proposal using the \$130,000.00 borrowing proposal with the square footage and costs mentioned above. We will await their response.

Tammy received a letter in the mail from the Ohio department of Commerce regarding the yearly renewals of local liquor licenses. Objections must be received by May 2, 2024.

She also received a letter for a safety recall for the police cruiser. She will have that taken care of. She also had an interview with a candidate for the open police chief position. She stated that there were a couple of hurdles to go through first before hiring. He did not have a current LEADS certification, and will need a background check, and a physical. She told him that she would prepare a hiring packet for him upon completion of the above mentioned.

BUSINESS OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – John Linkey- John received a quote from Hawk tree Services of \$8100.00 for the removal of 4 trees and 5 stumps within the village. Terry made a motion to accept the quote, 2nd by Linda. Roll Call: Yes: Christina, Mike, Lori, Shawn, Mike, and Terry. Motion Carried. John provided copies of the well report to the council. John has a preconstruction meeting at 9:30a.m tomorrow for the East/Evans streets waterline project. He was not sure of that start date but probably within the next two weeks. The project will be approximately 2,000 square feet of 8” waterline to replace the 4” that is there from 1936.

John also reported that he went up to Rossford to view the procedure that NW Water and Sewer was using to identify lead service lines. Lori asked if any of the new trees had been planted yet and John said no. She also asked if he had gotten any quotes to install a bathroom at the light plant. John stated that he had 1 but would like to get a couple more.

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

BUSINESS OF THE FISCAL OFFICER- Angie Roth- Angie presented the February reconciliation to be signed. She has been helping with the tax collections as Kathy has been ill.

APPROVAL OF CLAIM ORDINANCE 07-2024 VC –Motion of approval of Claim Ordinance 07-2024 made by Mike, 2nd by Terry. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried.

REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES – Mike gave a report from the SE Ambulance Committee that they are currently looking at prices for a new Ambulance but are just in the early stages. They also made an agreement with Perry Twp. to charge \$500 per run plus soft billing if they should get any runs within that area.

OLD BUSINESS -Lori asked if the new fire department members have gotten their physicals yet. Christina stated that they were going to go the following week to take care of it. She also asked if Tammy had talked to the zoning inspector, Paul, about his attire while at work. Tammy told her she had. Lori questioned if they have been fitted for their turn out gear and Tom said two have but the other hasn't shown up yet.

Tammy reported that she along with Linda, Christina, Angie, and Lori went to the Northwest Ohio Mayor's Association meeting in Pemberville. It went well and she will be receiving future e-mails with meeting dates and times.

NEW BUSINESS- none

Motion to adjourn at 7:37 pm made by Linda, 2nd by Lori. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried.

ATTEST: *Angie Roth*
Fiscal Officer: Angie Roth

SIGNED: *Tammy Krais*
Mayor: Tammy Krais

Approved: 4/18/2024

SIGNED: *Terry James*
Council President: Terry James

