

THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER COUNCIL

Record of Proceedings

Special Meeting as a whole

To discuss:

Village Administrator, John Linkey's Rehire/Retire

Mayor Kreais' Letter of Resignation

Vote on New President of Council

Available Council Seat

Thursday, April 25, 2024

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Council President, Terry James

Council Member, Lori Johnston

Council Member, Linda Wildman

Council Member, Shawn Hall

Council Member, Mike Gudakunst

Council Member, Christina Adams

The Village Council of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio met in a special meeting as a whole on the 25th of April 2024, at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Terry James 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. A guest sign in sheet was available and 25 guests signed in.

Terry James read aloud Mayor Tammy Kreais' letter of resignation to all in attendance. Motion to accept the letter of resignation was made by Linda, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Linda, and Terry. No: Lori and Shawn. Motion carried.

Terry expressed to the guests that he had in front of him letter from the village's solicitor stating that as this is a special meeting the floor is not open for guests; Terry and council did open the floor to allow the guests to express their questions and concerns regarding the meeting and what led up to Mayor Kreais' feeling to resign. The floor remained open for 30 minutes allowing individuals to take turns in the open discussion. Several guests expressed they wished to hear the recording of the April 18th council meeting. It was made known that a written public records request would need to be made with the fiscal officer.

Once back to the agenda of the evening, motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel was made by Linda, 2nd by Christina at 7:38pm. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried. Motion to come back from executive session at 7:52pm was made by Linda, 2nd by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried.

Outcome of the executive is as follows: council accepts John's rehire/retire; he will receive a \$12,000 lump sum/bonus payable in two \$6,000 pmts.; as well his sick time and vacation time hours paid out as in accordance to the village's policy and personnel manual; lastly his annual salary for rehire II remain at \$90,000. Motion to accept the outcome of the executive session as stated made by Mike, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, Linda, and Terry. Motion carried.

Next was to nominate and vote on a new council president, as Terry the current president will be taking the place as Acting Mayor until at which time he is sworn in. Motion for Linda to become council president was made by Christina, 2nd by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, and Terry. Abstain: Linda. Motion carried.

Motion to open the available council seat for the public to submit a letter of interest made by Lori, 2nd by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Lori, Shawn, and Terry. No: Christina and Linda. Motion carried. The deadline will be on May 1st, so the letters can be opened at the next council meeting. It will be posted at all usual spots for the village.

Motion to adjourn at 7:57 pm by Linda, 2nd by Mike.
Roll call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Lori, Shawn, Linda, and Terry.
Motion Carried.

ATTEST: *Angie Roth*
Fiscal Officer: Angie Roth

SIGNED: *Terry James*
Mayor: Terry James

Approved: 5/16/2024

SIGNED: *Linda Wildman*
Council President: Linda Wildman