

THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER COUNCIL

Record of Proceedings

September 5, 2024

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Council President,
Council Member, Shawn Hall
Council Member, Mike Gudakunst
Council Member, Christina Adams
Council Member, Ray Zaker
Council Member, Cody Roth

The Village Council of Bradner, Wood County, Ohio met in regular session on the 5th of September, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room of the Village Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor 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, Ray Zaker, Shawn Hall, and Cody Roth. Motion to excuse Linda Wildman's absence made by Shawn, 2nd by Ray. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried. Also, in attendance were Judy Roth, Maggie Mattox, and Norma DeLeon. Motion to approve the minutes from August 22, 2024 council meeting was made by Mike, 2nd by Cody. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Ray, and Cody. Abstain: Christina and Shawn. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: On Agenda-none.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS NOT ON THE AGENDA 5 MINUTE LIMIT: *Judy Roth, Halloween Golf Cart Parade* The parade is being sponsored by the Pesky Squirrel on Saturday, October 26th. Registration must be done at 1pm downtown with judging and awards before the golf cart parade begins. The parade will go from 3-4:30pm with a parade through the village the mapping of the route set by the Mayor. There will be food trucks, music, and activities for the kids. This is also the day of Trick or Treat for the village from 5:30pm-7pm. The kiddie parade has line up at the town hall at 4:30pm and costume judging following at the Fire Station. The downtown will be closed to traffic for the festivities.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT- Police Chief Cory Fairbanks was in attendance. Cory has finished his training and is ready to be out patrolling.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT-Tom Wildman-Tom suggested that for the food truck legislation that concession trailers should be added for inspection and Tom will bring up the forms used for inspections. September 28th from 11am-3pm is Safety Day for the Fire Dept. held downtown at the fire station. For the day, the Police Dept. will be involved, Operational Lifesaver from the railroad, the Fire Marshall's office will have something for the kids, the Fire Safety Trailer will be here, car seat inspections, as well as a bounce house for the kids. Tom requested that the Safety Committee to meet and it is set for next Thursday. Peyton Harding started his fire school Saturday at Vanguard and two more that will be attending once their schedules free up.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS –

ORDINANCE 14-2024 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A “SPLASH PAD” FOR THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, Final Reading. Motion to pass Ordinance 14-2024 made by Ray, 2nd by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 15-2024 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A “WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR” POSITION FOR THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, Emergency Reading. Motion to suspend rules of emergency made by Mike, 2nd by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried. Motion to pass Ordinance 15-2024 made by Shawn, 2nd by Mike. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 16-2024 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A “WASTEWATER OPERATOR” POSITION FOR THE VILLAGE OF BRADNER, Emergency Reading. Motion to suspend rules of emergency made by Mike, 2nd by Shawn. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried. Motion to pass Ordinance 16-2024 made by Mike, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 08-2024 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR, Final Reading. Motion to pass Resolution 08-2024 made by Mike, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried.

BUSINESS OF THE MAYOR – Mayor James-Terry asked council for a motion to have Cory appoint Jeremy Salaz as the Sergeant for the police dept. Motion made by Mike, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried. Brandon has completed his certification for Basic Lineworker 2 and did very well. This qualifies him for a \$1,000/year raise which is the equivalent of \$0.48/hour and a motion is needed to grant him this raise. Motion made by Shawn, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried. At this last training, Brandon’s vehicle was one of several of attendees staying at the hotel that were broken into and with extensive damage. As the village does not have a vehicle for him to drive. Brandon has presented here to council and would like to be included with this meeting’s bills for his car rental fee of \$50, \$500 insurance deductible, incidentals of \$24 and mileage for a total of \$718.05. Motion made to pay this by Mike, 2nd by Cody. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried. Council decided Bus Stop signs are not needed within the village. Signage ideas for the park for the grant such as the mileage/distance for around the walking path; and possibly one regarding the fishing with catch and release rules for the pond. Mike will work on the wording for these. Cody offered to meet Mike out to the park when he and John are there going over the signs. We have received a few calls regarding a village clean-up day. Last year, it cost the village approximately \$1,800 and we received \$180 from the items that were able to be scrapped. The Fall Clean-up Day is set for Saturday, October 12th. Details to come. Tom said be sure to not accept solar panels.

BUSINESS OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR-John Linkey-John presented council with the monthly well report as well as the utility clerk’s reports. Terry asked John that it be on the record the village has not

raised the electric rates. In July the Electric Consumption for residential was 480,298 which is higher than that of June as it was 328,848. The supply and demand make the rate go up; a home's KWH usage determines your cost for your residence. The Village of Bradner does not, has not, nor plans to raise the electric rates. Regarding the Spring St. project, John has spoken with Kleinfelder and it is believed that the construction cost estimate is under \$75,000. With this, 3 price quotes can be gathered and it is not necessary to go through a formal bid process. We will make sure in using the ARPA funding we would not need the formal bid process but at first glance we believe it is not necessary. John will look to get the cost of paving Spring Street as this could be funded by the ARPA funds received by the village as well. We must have the \$107,000 ARPA funds appropriated by the end of this year. Through the 16th of October, John will be working on the Lead Service Line Identification as it is quite time consuming. Regarding the new fire station project, John received OOPS from the surveyors that are coming in to survey for the existing utilities that are there at the empty lots.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT-Reid Rothenbuehler-not in attendance. Terry just again wanted to express how well Reid is working for the village's needs.

BUSINESS OF THE FISCAL OFFICER- Angie Roth-Presented to council was a current fund status report, as well as July's bank reconciliation and month end reports. One set to be signed by council for audit purposes. Terry encouraged council to really take a look at the fund status report as it may help when committees meet.

APPROVAL OF CLAIM ORDINANCE 15-2024 VC –Motion of approval of Claim Ordinance 15-2024 made by Mike, 2nd by Cody. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried.

REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES –*Zoning Committee*-met with Paul and have a plan set going forward. The *Economic and Streets Committees* for the 9th are not needed. The *Safety and Utilities Committees* will be meeting on the 12th.

OLD BUSINESS-Ray inquired about the Street position. The applicant is ready and has his physical and background/fingerprint appointments scheduled for Monday. As long as all goes well, hoping to have him begin before the end of this month.

NEW BUSINESS- Cody said that Judy was able to speak with Jeff Lentz and he is interested in having a mural on the history of Bradner such as oil wells. She said the exterior has been fixed as well as the roof to take care of the leaks he had. Terry has spoke with Reid on this and it is his understanding the village couldn't use public funds for a privately-owned building. Terry asked Judy if she could get information on how other villages were able to get their mural projects funded. Ray suggested a BGSU are student. We would need to look into responsibility again as it is privately-owned. Cody offered to help Judy with phone calls. Ray asked about the possibility on an ordinance for the % of income tax revenues to go into the downtown beautification fund. Terry and Angie will be working on this and try to have something for the next meeting. Angie will get the information she had gathered for a previous council meeting that reviewed the changes made for the income tax revenue disbursements among funds. Once a decision is made on the percentage breakdown we will contact Reid for him to draw up an ordinance to amend the percentages. John and Terry will be meeting Friday with Tim Boland who is the AMP Economic

Development Representative. AMP has available to us, the Ferguson Group which is a company that researches grant possibilities and acquiring grants. More information to come.

Motion to adjourn at 7:51 pm made by Mike, 2nd by Christina. Roll Call: Yes: Mike, Christina, Ray, Shawn, and Cody. Motion carried.

ATTEST: *Angie Roth*
Fiscal Officer: Angie Roth

SIGNED: *Terry James*
Mayor: Terry James

Approved: 10/03/2024