

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, December 19, 2019

Mayor Bob Gale called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Robert Martin Sr. present, Dr. Michael Ross present, Randy Spence present, Robert Merriman absent, Jason Mattern present, Brad Degenkolb present.

Officials: Mayor Bob Gale present, Solicitor Christopher D. Becker absent, Fiscal Officer Denise Geanangel present, Administrator Walt Ziembra present.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to approve the minutes for December 5, 2019 Meeting.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Persons Appearing Before Council

Justine VanDerPool a resident of Meadow Road addressed council with concerns of street parking on both sides of the road, a car with a flat tire sitting on the side of the road and a pothole. Mayor Gale advised parking on one side of the road is permitted, however, during snow events all vehicles, per Ordinance, is to be off the streets. He further stated that warnings will no longer be given to violators of this Ordinance and tickets will be issued.

Chief Fowler introduced Jacob McGinnis and George Anderson and asked Council's permission to bring them on as auxiliary patrolman.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to approve.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance and/or Resolution

Ordinance 2019-22: An Ordinance to approve Temporary Appropriations was read for the second time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Brad Degenkolb to suspend the rules.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance 2019-22: An Ordinance to approve Temporary Appropriations was read for the third time.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance 2019-23: An Ordinance providing for pay raises for village employees effective the first pay of 2020 was read for the second time.

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to suspend the rules.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance 2019-23: An Ordinance providing for pay raises for village employees effective the first pay of 2020 was read for the third time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to approve.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance 2019-24: An Ordinance amending sections 1315.01 (a)(1), 1315.01 (b) and 1321.02 (b) of the codified ordinance associated with licensing and permits was read for the second time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Brad Degenkolb to suspend the rules.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance 2019-24: An Ordinance amending sections 1315.01 (a)(1), 1315.01 (b) and 1321.02 (b) of the codified ordinance associated with licensing and permits was read for the third time.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to approve.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Reports & Announcements

December 21 & 22 is the light up contest. Mayor Gale asked that all councilmembers present their top 6 choices. No previous winners please.

The Holiday Sanitation pickup is as follows:

Christmas and New Years: Tuesday's pick up on Monday and Wednesday's pick up on Tuesday.

The newly elected village officials will be sworn in December 31, 2019 at 12:00 Noon.

Mayor Gale said that there will not be an employee Christmas Luncheon this year and that the employees need to spend time with their families. Mayor Gale asked all to help those less fortunate this holiday season and all year long.

Administrator's Report

The Knolls II project has 50% of the pipe installed. The contractor will not be working next week. Mayor Gale asked that any road closure or travel issues be worked out to be fair to the residents.

The scheduled super load has been moved until after the 1st of the year.

The Fernwood paving project has been approved for a total of \$223,000.00 with \$109,000.00 being secured in grant money.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Brad Degenkolb to approve the purchase of \$25.00 gift card of their choice plus a \$25.00 Kroger gift card for each employee.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

New Business

Robert Martin thanked Brad and wished him luck, "knowing there is always a place for him at the Village" Mr. Martin commented what a great year it has been working with Council and thanked everyone for their hard work. Merry Christmas.

Jason Mattern reiterated the problems on Meadow Road and acknowledged the problems will be addressed. Mr. Mattern said he has been on Council for 14 years and part of the finance committee, He understands the budgeting process can be complicated and confusing but commended council on working through the budgetary process to come up with a solid budget. He thanked Brad and wished him well. Merry Christmas.

Randy Spence wished Brad well. Merry Christmas.

Brad Degenkolb stated this being his last meeting after 3 years being appointed at the time to replace Tom Bottorf. He thanked council for "taking a chance with him and what a pleasure it was working with everyone". He wished new councilperson Gael Damron well. Merry Christmas.

Mayor Gale thanked Brad for his 3 years of work on council stating his hard work went above and beyond. He noted Brad's work ethic as superior and mostly importantly realizing he has gained a true friend in Brad. "you will be missed".

Unfinished Business

None.

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Brad Degenkolb to approve a transfer from General Fund to fund (5211) for the amount of \$6,800.00.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Dr. Ross to pay bill as fund become available.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to adjourn until the next council meeting on January 2, 2020.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Dr. Michael Ross yea, Randy Spence yea, Jason Mattern yea, Brad Degenkolb yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Disclaimer: These are a draft of the minutes and not deemed official until approved by Council.

Denise Geanangel
Fiscal Officer

Robert Gale
Mayor