

**INDIAN LAKE OHIO
VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT
COUNCIL MEETING**

**MEETING MINUTES
February 22, 2022**

Mayor Reames called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, absent; Mr. John Huffman, present; Mr. Greg Iiams, present; Ms. Joan Maxwell, present; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, present; Mr. Dave Wallace, present.
Mayor Reames reported that Ms. Hinterschied is running a little late.

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Chief Joe Freyhof
Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 Elliott Rd., Russells Point
Mr. Kurt Crockett, 7495 TR 213, Lewistown
Ms. Gloria Craig, 11153 CR 293, Lakeview
Mr. Rick Pleiman, 11153 CR 293, Lakeview
Mr. Codie Kindell, 12956 SR 235, Lakeview

Minutes: **February 7, 2022 Council Meeting**

Mr. John Huffman moved to approve the February 7, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

Reports: **Fiscal Officers Report -**

Council was provided the January 2022 bank reconciliation, cash summary report and payment register. The Village books reconciled with the bank statement and has a pooled cash balance of \$4,864,722.23.

Ms. Joan Hinterschied joined the meeting.

Mr. Greg Iiams moved to approve the Fiscal Officers Report as submitted. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, abstain; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

Police & Code Enforcement Report –

Chief Freyhof provided that Logan Miller has returned to fill a part-time position and will be working Saturdays. The department has been handling 1-2 grand jury cases per month. Officer Praither has been busy with the drug task force. Medication Take Back will be held on April 30, 2022.

Maintenance Department Report –

Council was provided a written report from Mr. Reese outlining the various projects the department has been working on since the last report. Council also discussed issues with the dip in the road leading to the water plant during rain and snow events and the condition of the bridge. The section of road in question is split between the Village and Washington Township. Mayor Reames has had meetings with LC Engineers and Washington Township in the past to discuss the low lying area. In order to correct the issue, a culvert would need to be installed and the road built up. The bridge has a large hole in the pavement which is

covered by a steel plate. Prior discussions with the township included the village taking ownership of the entire road or splitting the cost of repairs however, there was no conclusion to the discussions. It was suggested that the discussion be resumed with the township trustees to try to come to some agreement. It was also suggested that council attend the township meeting along with the Mayor.

Zoning Report –

Ms. Gauder provided council with a written report of the permits that has been issued or in process since the last report.

BPA Report –

The BPA provided a written report on recent activities with the water department.

Indian Joint Fire District Report –

Ms. Joan Maxwell provided a written report on the February 15, 2022 meeting.

Indian Lake EMS Report –

Mayor Reames reported on the recent EMS meeting. Two dive suits for cold water rescue were purchased by the EMS for around \$2,300. Council questioned the purchase and the need. The Indian Lake area already has two fire departments and ODNR that have the equipment and training to do these types of rescues. It was also noted that taxpayer money is being used to purchase and train multiple agencies in the area to do the same thing.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

A. Resolution 22-972; Advances for ODOT Grant

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STORM WATER IMPROVEMENT FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. John Huffman made a motion to waive the three-reading rule. Mr. Greg Iiams seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

Mr. John Huffman made a motion to accept Resolution 22-972 by title. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

B. Resolution 22-973; USDA Signing Authority

A RESOLUTION GIVING AUTHORITY TO THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER TO SIGN VARIOUS DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO.

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to waive the three-reading rule. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-973 by title. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

C. Resolution 22-974; Appointment of Officer Morgan Styles

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF MORGAN STYLES AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to waive the three-reading rule. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-974 by title. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

D. Resolution 22-975; Appointment of Officer Ricky Craig

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF RICKY CRAIG AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to waive the three-reading rule. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-975 by title. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, abstain.

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstain

Mayor Reames administered the Oath of Office to Officer Styles and Officer Craig.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Railroad Trestle Mussel Study

Council was provided a copy of the proposal from Clune Consulting Services to perform a mussel study and relocation in the amount of \$15,484.20. A second proposal from Stone Environmental Engineering in the amount of \$8,700.00 was also received but does not include relocation. If needed, they estimate this would cost an additional \$5,000.00. Two other companies were contacted for proposals but they have not been received.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Farm Lease

Mr. Kurt Crockett is interested in leasing the approximate 34 acres of farm land around the water plant that is owned by the village. He is offering \$110.00/acre if the property does not flood and \$90.00/acres if it does flood.

Council had no objection to leasing the property, however it was questioned as to whether this needs to be advertised and open to the public. In addition, a lease agreement would need to be drafted and approved.

Ms. Shannon Stinemetz made a motion to have the solicitor review the legal requirements of leasing the property and draft a contract. Ms. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea;

Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 6 yeas – 0 nays

B. Junior Achievement Scavenger Hunt

The Junior Achievement of Mad River Region will be holding a scavenger hunt in the area on Saturday, June 18, 2022 from 1:30 to 5:00 pm. They would like to have permission to use the municipal building park and shelter house as the finish line for the hunt to hand out awards and thank participants.

Ms. Shannon Stinemetz made a motion to allow the use of the park and/or municipal building for the event. Ms. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.

The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, yea; Mr. John Huffman, yea; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea;

Ms. Joan Maxwell, yea; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.

The motion passed: 6 yeas – 0 nays

Ms. Joan Maxwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. John Huffman.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Next Ordinance: 22-1198 Next Resolution: 22-976

Next Council Meeting: Monday, March 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Mayor Robin Reames

Date Passed