

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

MEETING MINUTES

August 7, 2023

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

Roll Call: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, present; Mr. John Huffman, absent; Mr. Greg Iiams, present; Ms. Joan Maxwell, present; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, present; Mr. Dave Wallace, present.
Ms. Shannon Stinemetz moved to excuse Mr. Huffman from the meeting. Ms. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.

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

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 Elliott Rd., Russells Point
Police Chief, Joe Freyhof
Ms. Libby Stidam, BPA Chairperson
Ms. Pat Cochenour, BPA Member
Ms. Taylor Thompson, 211 White Oaks Court, Russells Point
Mr. Michael Thompson, 211 White Oaks Court, Russells Point

Minutes: **July 17, 2023 Council Meeting**

Ms. Shannon Stinemetz moved to approve the July 17, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. Ms. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.

*The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, 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: **Mayor's Court Report** –

The July 2023 statement for Mayor's Court showing Village revenue of \$1,082.00 was presented to Council for approval.

Mr. Greg Iiams moved to approve the July 2023 Mayor's Court Statement as submitted. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

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

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

Indian Joint Fire District Report –

Ms. Joan Maxwell provided written report of the July 18, 2023 meeting.

Parks & Recreation Report –

Ms. Joan Hinterschied provided the Fiscal Officer with a \$300.00 donation to the park fund from revenue generated from sales at the concession stand during a recent ball tournament.

Police Report –

Chief Freyhof provided council an updated list of NOV's that have issued this year and a list of calls for service for the month of July. He found a better ordinance that pertains to junk vehicles that he has sent to the Solicitor for review. An outline of the guidelines for the Law

Enforcement Recruitment Grant was given to council. The Police Department presented the Fiscal Officer with a certificate of appreciation for his years of service and dedication to the department. The Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police recognized the Russells Point Police Department as August 2023 Agency of the Month. A copy of the article was provided to Council. Trick-or-Treat will be Thursday, October 26, 2023 from 6:00-7:30 pm. The Homecoming Parade will be held Thursday, October 6, 2023.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

A. Resolution 23-1012; Litter & Weeds Tax Lien

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID CHARGES FOR SERVICES PERFORMED BY THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT UNDER ORC 731.51 AND AUTHORIZING THE LOGAN COUNTY AUDITOR TO PLACE THE DELINQUENT AMOUNTS ON THE 2023 TAX DUPLICATES FOR COLLECTION.

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

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 23-1012 by title. Ms. Shannon Stinemetz seconded the motion.

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

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

B. Ordinance 23-1212; Appoint Fiscal Officer

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING A SUCCESSOR FISCAL OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT UNDER R.C. 733.262, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Mayor Reames, Council Member Joan Maxwell, and BPA Chair Libby Stidam conducted interviews of three applicants for the position. They made a recommendation to council to hire Ms. Taylor Thompson at a rate of \$26.50 per hour. Ms. Thompson will need to provide her current employer a two week notice but is willing to work evenings to obtain training for the position and will be able to start full-time on August 21st.

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

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

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Ordinance 23-1212 by title. Ms. Joan Maxwell seconded the motion.

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

The motion passed: 5 yeas – 0 nays

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

A. Chief Joe Freyhof

Chief reported that the Historical Society Bridge was defaced with profanity. Luckily this was done with chalk and with the help of the fire department was removed. This is not the first time that this has happened and he would like to see the Historical Society install cameras to help catch the vandalizers. He will try to attend the next meeting of the Historical Society.

B. Ms. Libby Stidam

Ms. Stidam is hoping that all council members will be able to attend the joint meeting at the water plant. She would like them all to see the various improvements that have been made the last couple of years.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. EMS Fiscal Officer

Mr. Wallace reported that the EMS has hired the EMS Chief’s wife to replace the current Fiscal Officer who is retiring. He has concerns as to whether this is ethical or not. It was suggested that he contact the EMS lawyer and the Ohio Ethics Commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Local Government Funds

Council was provided a copy of the White Paper on the Local Government Fund that discusses the importance of these funds, where they come from, and how they are distributed to the various divisions of government.

Ms. Joan Maxwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ms. Shannon Stinemetz. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next Ordinance: 23-1213 Next Resolution: 23-1013

Next Council Meeting: Monday, August 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Mayor Robin Reames

Date Passed: _____