

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

**MEETING MINUTES
September 19, 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.
Ms. Shannon Stinemetz made a motion to excuse Ms. Hinterschied from the meeting. Mr. John Huffman 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

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Mr. Joe Freyhof, Police Chief
Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 Elliott Rd., Russells Point
Ms. Shayla Wolf, 411 SR 708, Russells Point
Mr. Alex Wolf, 411 SR 708, Russells Point
Mr. Jon Cross, State Representative

Minutes: **September 6, 2022 Council Meeting**
Ms. Shannon Stinemetz moved to approve the September 6, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. Mr. Dave Wallace seconded the motion.
The Vote: Mr. John Huffman, abstain; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea; Ms. Joan Maxwell, abstain; Ms. Shannon Stinemetz, yea; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.
The motion passed: 3 yeas – 0 nays – 2 abstains

Reports: **Fiscal Officers Report -**
Council was provided the August 2022 bank reconciliation, cash summary report and payment register. The Village books reconciled with the bank statement and has a pooled cash balance of \$5,231,067.61.
Mr. Greg Iiams moved to approve the Fiscal Officers Report 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

Police & Code Enforcement Report –
Village employees with the help of inmates collected hard to dispose of items from over 80 locations around the village. The police department is still down to two officers with no luck on the job postings. Chief Freyhof suggested that council consider budgeting for a higher starting rate in 2023 to be more competitive with other local departments. To help fill in the gaps of coverage, Officer Styles has been given the option of working up to 10 hours overtime per week. Chief is also exploring other avenues to entice new officers such as grant opportunities and tuition reimbursement.

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

Maintenance Report –

Mr. Reese provided council with a written report of recent activities for the department.

Parks Report –

Council was provided a copy of the minutes from the August 8th meeting.

BPA Report –

Mr. Tynan provide a written report for the activities of the water department.

Indian Lake EMS Report –

Mayor Reames reported on the September 14, 2022 EMS meeting.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

A. Resolution 22-996; Weeds & Litter Tax Lien

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID CHARGES FOR SERVICES PERFORMED BY THE VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT UNDER ORC NO. 731.51 AND AUTHORIZING THE LOGAN COUNTY AUDITOR TO PLACE THE DELINQUENT AMOUNTS ON THE 2022 TAX DUPLICATE FOR COLLECTION.

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

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-996 by title. 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

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

A. Mr. Jon Cross, State Representative

Mr. Cross introduced himself to council. Based on the new redistricting maps, he is now the State Representative of our area. He talked about the weed infestation in Indian Lake and what steps have been taken to alleviate the issue. He has also been working closely with ODNR regarding the future harvesting and chemical spraying to kill the vegetation.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Mussel Relocation

Stone Environmental has completed the mussel relocation and is working on preparing their report for submittal to ODNR and Division of Fish & Wildlife.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Planning Commission Appointment

Mayor Reames made a recommendation to council to appoint Ms. Shayla Wolf to fill the vacant seat on the Planning Commission. Ms. Wolf has been a resident of the village since 2015 and currently works for Mary Rutan Hospital.

Mr. John Huffman made a motion to accept the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Ms. Shayla Wolf to the Planning Commission. 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

B. Farm Lease

In March of this year council decided that due to time constraints that the topic of leasing the farmland near the water plant would be revisited in the fall. This must be put out for bid and advertised for five weeks. It was also determined at that time that spraying of farmland is not permitted within 300 ft. from all well heads which reduces the amount of land available. It was also noted that if the village is required to bid this out every year, the cost of advertisement would significantly reduce any income. Council would like verification from the EPA that the remaining land does not have any restrictions, and would like to know if it is permissible to lease the property for an extended period of time.

C. Clock for Council Chambers

Mr. Iiams presented the village with a new digital clock for council chambers.

D. Mutual Aid with Washington Township

Mr. Wallace asked if the village has a mutual aid agreement with Washington Township Police Department. Chief Freyhof said that there is an agreement that was entered into around 1987. He has discussed updating the agreement with the township in the past but they had no interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to go into executive session at 8:28 p.m. pursuant to ORC 121.22, Section G (3) for tele-conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and allow the presence of Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner. Mr. John Huffman 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

Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to come out of executive session at 9:02 p.m. 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

Ms. Joan Maxwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. John Huffman. The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Next Ordinance: 22-1203 Next Resolution: 22-997

Next Council Meeting: Monday, October 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Mayor Robin Reames

Date Passed