

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

**MEETING MINUTES**

**August 15, 2022**

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

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

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Mr. Dave Wallace made a motion to excuse Ms. Maxwell from the meeting. Mr. Greg Iiams seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

Recorder: Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

Guests: Mr. Joe Freyhof, Police Chief  
Ms. Sharon DeVault, 209 Elliott Rd., Russells Point

Minutes: **August 1, 2022 Council Meeting**

*Mr. John Huffman moved to approve the August 1, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. Ms. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

Reports: **Fiscal Officers Report -**

Council was provided the July 2022 bank reconciliation, cash summary report and payment register. The Village books reconciled with the bank statement and has a pooled cash balance of \$5,238,868.04. The reconciliation included an adjustment in the amount of \$55,164.65 which was the result of a sweep from the operating account on the last business day of the month but was not showing as deposited into the money market account until August 1, 2022. *Mr. Greg Iiams moved to approve the Fiscal Officers Report as submitted. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

**Police & Code Enforcement Report –**

Chief reported 77 total code enforcement cases for the year and is getting ready to inspect for the second round of mowing. He was informed that there are line of sight issues due to trees or brush in the 600 block of Center and the corner of Marshall and Buckeye.

The new 2022 cruiser has been received. The IL EMS Board has approved the purchase of the 2017 cruiser for \$6,000.00 if council agrees. The EMS will take care of removing the lights and decals, all other equipment has already been removed.

*Mr. John Huffman made a motion to allow the sale of the 2017 Ford Interceptor to the Indian Lake EMS for the amount of \$6,000.00. Ms. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

Chief has only received three applications since March to fill vacancies in the department. Officers Craig and Styles have both been approached by the Sheriff's Office to fill positions but at this point neither officer has made a final decision or submitted resignations. Part-time officer Jason Snipes has taken a position with the City of Wapakoneta but has not officially resigned his position with the village. He is also working on getting more information regarding grant funding and other avenues for obtaining officers. He suggested that council offer a \$1.00 per hour raise at the end of the six-month instruction period for both officers Craig and Styles in lieu of the original agreement of \$.50 per hour. In addition, he would like to see another increase of \$1.00 per hour if they are still with the department during annual raises.

**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.

**BPA Report –**

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

**Parks Report –**

Ms. Hinterschied provided a copy of the minutes from the August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Indian Lake EMS Report –**

Mayor Reames gave an oral report on the recent EMS meeting.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

**A. Resolution 22-989; Stone Environmental Mussel Relocation**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND EMPOWERING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH STONE ENVIRONMENTAL, ENGINEERING & SCIENCE FOR THE RELOCATION OF MUSSELS IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH THE REMOVAL OF THE TRESTLE RAILROAD BRIDGE, GREAT MIAMI RIVER, VILLAGE OF RUSSELLS POINT, LOGAN COUNTY, 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; Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-989 by title. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

**B. Resolution 22-990; Final Appointment – Morgan Styles**

A RESOLUTION CONCURRING WITH THE MAYOR’S FINAL 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. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-990 by title. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Ms. Joan Hinterschied made a motion to increase Officer Styles wage by \$1.00 per hour effective pay period 18-2022. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

**C. Resolution 22-991; Final Appointment – Ricky Craig**

A RESOLUTION CONCURRING WITH THE MAYOR’S FINAL 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. Joan Hinterschied seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-991 by title. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Ms. Joan Hinterschied made a motion to increase Officer Craig’s wage by \$1.00 per hour effective pay period 19-2022. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

**D. Resolution 22-992; LC/OPWC Paving Program**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LOGAN COUNTY ENGINEER SCOTT COLEMAN TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE AND FULLY PARTICIPATE IN THE SAME, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

*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;  
Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-992 by title. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

**E. Resolution 22-993; Accepting Amounts and Rates of Budget Commission**

A 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.

*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;  
Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to accept Resolution 22-993 by title. Mr. John Huffman seconded the motion.*

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

*The motion passed: 4 yeas – 0 nays*

**F. Ordinance (Unnumbered); Personnel Policy Manual Changes**

The draft ordinance and exhibit amending the personnel policy manual was sent to council for review. Mr. Weidner informed council that there were errors in the exhibit that were corrected earlier today by the solicitor.

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to table the Ordinance for thirty days.*

Discussion: It was questioned why the ordinance needed to be tabled if it's not being presented for enactment and is not on the agenda.

*Mr. Dave Wallace seconded the motion.*

*The Vote: Ms. Joan Hinterschied, nay; Mr. John Huffman, nay; Mr. Greg Iiams, yea;  
Mr. Dave Wallace, yea.*

*The motion passed: 2 yeas – 2 nays*

*Mayor Reames cast her vote as nay and the motion failed.*

Mr. Weidner will email council the corrected ordinance and exhibit for review.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

**A. Ms. Sharon DeVault**

Ms. DeVault reported that the Indian Lake Area Historical Society Museum will be closing. The owners of the building did not renew their agreement. The society will be storing all the displays and inventory until an alternate location is secured.

She also noted that several park benches were destroyed at Fox Island and suggested that with all the improvements that have been made to the village's parks, they consider adding security cameras.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Council Chairs**

Mayor Reames asked if council wishes to continue to use the chairs they are currently using or if they would like to go back to the chairs purchased with COVID funds. It was decided that council will go back to the old chairs and the current chairs will be placed on GovDeals.

B. Dumpsters – Hard to Dispose of Items

The village will offer residents another opportunity to get rid of hard to dispose of items. The event will take place Monday, September 19, 2022. Village employees and inmates will pickup items from residents’ properties that have registered for the pickup by the end of business day, Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at no cost. Information regarding the event will be placed with the August water bill and on FaceBook.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Log Jam Removal & TR 52 Repairs

Mr. Huffman asked when Reichert Excavating is scheduled to remove the log jam in the river and do the culvert repairs on TR 52 to the water plant. Council was informed that Reichert Excavating has been contracted to do a large water and sewer line installation in Lakeview that will likely take until mid to late September to complete. In addition, supplies were ordered for the culvert replacement on TR 52 that, at last visit, had not been received.

B. Electric & Gas Aggregation

A public meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at the Municipal Building to allow residents the opportunity to ask any questions regarding utility aggregation. Notification will be placed in with the September water bill and advertised on WPKO & WRPO radio and Bellefontaine Examiner.

*Mr. Greg Iiams made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. John Huffman. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.*

Next Ordinance: 22-1202 Next Resolution: 22-994

Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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Fiscal Officer Jeff Weidner

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Mayor Robin Reames

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Date Passed