

**September 23, 2019**  
**RICHWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the regular meeting of the Richwood Village Council was called to order by Mayor Scott Jerew, September 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Jerew called for attendance, Council members present: George Showalter, Donald Ridgeway, Laurie Eliot-Shea, Pat Morse, Von Beal, and Reddy Brown. Solicitor Alison Boggs, Police Chief / Village Administrator Monte Asher, Fiscal Officer Sarah Sellers, Zoning Officer Marion Bump and other residents were present.

George Showalter moved and Laurie Eliot-Shea seconded a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 09/09/2019. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Von Beal moved and George Showalter seconded a motion to approve the warrants as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitor, Gail DeGood-Guy asked council about the memorial benches uptown. Monte Asher explained that they were taken for maintenance. She also asked if the tree that was discussed on W Ottawa was taken care of, Monte Asher explained that it is the home owner's responsibility; Ohio Edison could allow him to do payments. Estimated cost to take down tree is \$1,115.00

Resident, Peggy Jamison stated that the street light has been fixed on Beatty and appreciates anyone that called to report the outage.

Resident, Jim Dew asked about the concrete blocks on corner of Beatty. Monte Asher will send an officer to explain to resident that if someone gets hurt, they will be held responsible.

Resident, LuAnn Davis asked if the October 16 date is still on target to start the storm project on Edgewood, Monte Asher confirmed that it is still the target date.

George Showalter moved and Laurie Eliot seconded Resolution 08262019 to Accept and Certify amounts and rates to county Auditor – Third and final reading. Motion passed unanimously.

George Showalter moved and Donald Ridgeway seconded Resolution 08272019 approving Richwood Banking Company abatement – Third and final reading. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's report was presented to council. Mayor stated the shelter house was moved to have trees taken down. Trail Committee is doing a Haunted Trail on Oct 26<sup>th</sup> from 8-11pm, Cost is \$5.00 or \$20.00 for a family and you can go around trail as many times as you wish. Hayride will be available at the end to take you back around to the start. Water, hotdogs and fruit will be provided. Trail Committee meeting is September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

Administration Report was presented to Council.

Alison Boggs, Solicitor stated that we can put together an ordinance to prohibit planting of certain trees in the future. She presented an example from City of Delaware. There was a brief discussion between Laurie Eliot-Shea, Reddy Brown and Alison Boggs about the current ordinance and possible changes to be made, liability and cost for the village, and other cities ordinances to look at.

Resident, Kelly Jerew asked the council if there is an explanation for the levies that will be on the ballot and where that information would be to better explain the importance to residents. Mayor asked if Andrea Weaver could come in and talk about it, Von Beal is going to call and request her attendance at a meeting. Reddy Brown suggested creating a flyer and Sherryl from the Richwood Gazette suggested a letter to the editor from the Mayor for the paper.

George Showalter stated that the new process the Village is doing with patching pot holes looks good and is very smooth. Also, holding up well and he has received positive feedback from it.

George Showalter moved and Pat Morse seconded a motion to enter executive session at 7:19 PM to discuss compensation of a public employee. The motion passed unanimously.

George Showalter moved and Donald Ridgeway seconded a motion to come back to regular session at 7:34 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Alison Boggs stated that last week's jury trial was acquitted due to the victim and witness not being credible. They dismissed the case and the village is responsible for the jury trial cost. The bill will be coming; it will be \$40 times 10 jurors.

George Showalter announced the LUC annual dinner will be on November 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30. The cost is \$17.00 per person. This is the 52<sup>nd</sup> annual dinner.

George Showalter stated that the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Ruthwoods 5K went very well; they had 39 runners/walkers.

Trick or Treat will be October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-7pm.  
Library will have Ghost Stories in the Park on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm, at the park shelter house.

George Showalter moved and Pat Morse seconded a motion to adjourn and Council approved the motion unanimously. Mayor Jerew adjourned the meeting at 8:07 PM.

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Mayor

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Fiscal Officer