

Regular Council

August 16, 2021

Sugarcreek Village Council had a regular council meeting at Village Hall August 16, 2021, with Mayor Jeff Stutzman presiding.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors: Doug Frautschy, Matt Specht, Mike Hammond, Becky Detwiler, Sue Weaver

Roll Call: Matt Miller, Ron Atkinson, Sam Beachy, Mick Fanning, Jason Hamsher, Josh Jarvis.

A motion was made by Ron Atkinson, seconded by Sam Beachy to accept the minutes as typed by the Fiscal Officer. At roll call all members voted approval.

Matt Miller made a motion to accept the expenditures and the motion was seconded by Josh Jarvis. At roll call all present members voted approval.

Mayor Stutzman said the Fire Dept has a person interested in joining. Her name is Meghan Keiffer - EMT-B. Ron Atkinson made a motion to confirm the appointee, seconded by Sam Beachy. At roll call, all members voted approval. Stutzman announced that it is time to start working on the pay ordinance for 2022 and sent the item to the Finance, Personnel, & Audit committee.

The Mayor also announced a change in the meeting schedule for September due to the Labor Day Holiday and several vacations. The next meeting will be Monday, September 13th at 7:00 a.m.

Village administrator Matt Specht announced Hydrant Flushing will take place Saturday August 21, 2022. Specht reported the Sewer department has been looking for a new truck and one has been located. It is a 2022 Ford F-350 Super Duty 4WD. With State pricing the cost to the Village will be \$36,228.52. Matt Miller made a motion, seconded by Josh Jarvis to purchase the new truck for the wastewater department. At roll call all members voted approval.

Guest Becky Detwiler introduced herself and gave a brief biography to council. Becky is responsible for watering and caring for all the plants and flowers in the Village as well as being the curator for the Alpine Hills Museum. Ms. Detwiler requested that a member of council volunteer to be on the Board for the Museum and Sam Beachy volunteered.

Guest Sue Weaver introduced herself and said she was at council to request consideration of a dog park in the Village. Several questions were raised and after a brief discussion the item was turned over to the Economic Development, Parks, & Recreation committee.

Finance, Personnel & Audit committee chairman Jason Hamsher called a special meeting September 13, 2021, immediately following the council meeting to discuss the pay ordinance for 2022.

Matt Miller reported that the Economic Development, Parks and Recreation committee had a meeting prior to council and discussed the ordinance related to Bed Tax, No. 11-2002. It was decided to leave the ordinance as is, except to replace the title of tax administrator to Fiscal Officer wherever the title is mentioned. RITA is the tax administrator for the Village, but they are not responsible for bed tax reporting. Miller also requested a short committee meeting prior to the September 13, 2021 meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Streets, Water and Sewer chairman Mick Fanning reported the Don't Walk sign at St RT 39 and Factory Street is not working.

Lands, Buildings, Sidewalks and Insurance chairman Sam Beachy reminded council and guests that there is a 50/50 Sidewalk program in the Village and funds are available for use. This program allows residents to have sidewalks replaced with the Village paying 50% of the cost.

Matt Miller thanked Becky Detwiler for all she does for the Village.

Meeting adjourned 7:28 p.m.

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Fiscal/Officer

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Mayor