

**VILLAGE OF CHIPPEWA LAKE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – AUGUST 8, 2022**

Mayor Joanne Dodaro called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

A roll call was taken with the following officials present: Barbara Hunter, Lowell (Bud) Hardesty, Tamitha Sorgi, Ken Demeter, Alan Robbins (arrived at 8:40 PM), Allan Michelson – Solicitor, Jim Brandenburg – Zoning Inspector, Gary Harris – Fiscal Officer; visitors Mark & Lisa Krosse, Mark Reuter, Kelly Schmetzer, Leslie Burns, Ed Nagy, Bill Glasenapp, Pam & Bob Williams, Howard Wolff, Pam Harmon, Brian Turk, Kathy & Rick Elias, Alison & Andy Weimer, Greg Stanislawski, Ginny & Tom Little, Doug Davidson, Nick Schmitz, Sandra Stevens, Penny & Wayne Clark, Donna Spitzer and Deputy Harhay

Mayor Dodaro thanked Tamitha, Ken and the Fire Department for the Water Party and she also thanked all of those who worked on taking down and disposing of the old Tennis Court Fence, thanked John Sandora for all of his work in coordinating the work on the Tennis Court and reported that the new Tennis Court surface tiles are due to be installed starting on August 18th

Mayor Dodaro stated that we have some residents here tonight to talk about water drainage issues and asked them to please proceed – Kim Harmon stated that she has previously spoken with Keith about replacing/repairing a drain – Bud stated that a new catch basin is going to be installed and he spoke about the possible addition of a berm or cloth barrier w/stone added to divert water along Rockridge – residents also talked about sump pumps adding to the water problems and some with constant flows – Bud said he was not aware of this and that he will need to speak with Keith – Kathy Elias said she has spoken with Keith and feels that a berm will work OK to better control the flooding that has taken place three times already this year – Nick Schmitz talked about water problems and how the water needs to be diverted – Bud reported that topographic maps show part of the problems being caused by elevation issues and the need to engage with residents, review road design, sizing of storm pipe and that the catch basin replacement will be a good first step realizing that Village responsibility ends outside of the right-of-way – Mayor Dodaro stated she will talk with Keith about this upon his return and set-up a meeting with residents to come up with a couple of solutions – Allan stated that per code, surface water is to be directed towards the storm drains – Kathy also stated that the storm drain blockages need to be cleared – Mayor Dodaro stated that we are working on this

Mayor Dodaro asked if everyone read and agreed with the July Regular Meeting Minutes and asked if there were any corrections, questions or comments – none were offered

Bud made the motion to accept the July Minutes, and it was seconded by Ken. Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Mayor Dodaro asked if everyone read the August Bill's for Approval and asked if there were any other changes, questions or comments – none were offered

Bud made a motion to approve the August Bill's for payment in the amount of \$64,950.53 seconded by Barb. Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays

Council Reports:

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Safety

1. Deputy Harhay read the Sheriff's Monthly Reports, they worked 92 hours in June versus 120 hours scheduled due to their SWAT Team being deployed to Akron – he suggested that residents contact non-emergency Dispatch at 330-725-6631 for traffic incidents, loud or reckless motor bikes, speeding vehicles, etc. – to take the time to call a member of Council who then calls Deputy Harhay who then calls the on-call Deputy takes too much time thus, he recommends contacting the non-emergency Dispatch number for a faster response
2. Barb updated Deputy Harhay that we have now installed motion sensors that automatically turn on the lights at the Community Center and there is no need to turn on light-switches when entering, Barb thanked Howard for his assistance with this installation – Deputy Harhay will advise the other Deputies

Zoning

Bud reporting:

1. Jim read the Zoning Report for August – 9 Parkway Path, Allan confirmed no court date is yet set – 57 Bungalow Bay, Jim stated corrections have been completed – 227 Rustic Rook the notice of violations has been posted and the Letter to Correct has been issued
2. Jim reported that we have a Variance Hearing for 200 Richard Drive – Allan called the meeting to order and swore in those who are going to address Council – Allan asked if Jim sent notices to the neighbors about this hearing and Jim reported that he had done so – Allan asked the owners to make a statement – Tom Little stated that they want to put a roof on the deck and enclose it for an all season room – Jim stated that once the roof is installed the edge will be four feet off the property line versus the 10' required by code – neighbor Kathy Elias stated that the house was built in 1929 but not sure when – Doug Davidson, who owns the property behind this location, has no issue with this – Allan read the seven factors required to be met for a Variance after confirming that the deck built onto the house was most likely done before the Zoning Code was put into effect, thus it is a pre-existing condition since the Variance otherwise satisfies all of the pre-requirements and he asked for a Roll-Call vote: Bud – aye, Barb – aye, Tamitha – aye, Ken – aye; Allan announced that the Variance has passed and that Jim will issue the appropriate letter to the homeowner and announced that the hearing is adjourned
3. Bill raised concerns about the Pribish house and its Zoning violations including a boat and a truck on the property without a license – Jim stated that the truck has a license and that he did speak with the owner about the violations and that only the grass has been cut – Mayor Dodaro told Jim to cite him and Jim indicated that he will do so

Community Relations

Tamitha reporting:

1. Thanked the Fire Department for their participation and assistance, reported that it was a great time for the kids and “younger” adults on the water slide and that Ken found discounted toys at Hobby Lobby that were used as prizes for the kids
2. reported that Movie Night is scheduled for August 19th, 20th is the rain date and will put the notice on Facebook also asking for input on movie suggestions – residents asked for notices to be posted sooner and to also put the notice on Clair's List
3. announced that she would like to do another Fall Party in September and asked for volunteers due to her work schedule changes and less flex time – Tamitha suggested we get a portable stage for this and other functions that would be about 4-6” off the ground – Mayor Dodaro

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suggested finding someone to build the unit – Tamitha announced that she is also collecting door prizes once again and is targeting the date of September 24th for the Fall Party

4. **Tamitha made a motion to appropriate \$1,000 from the Endowment Fund to build the stage, seconded by Ken. Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays**
5. Mayor Dodaro asked Mark if there is anything on Save-the-Lake – Mark announced that a local TV station came to videotape the Lake for an upcoming program on Spectrum 1 over the next few weeks
6. Gary asked about the CPR training and Tamitha reported that nothing is yet scheduled – Gary confirmed that the PEP Grant monies, targeted for this project, must be used this year for this purpose that was listed in the Grant Application

Buildings & Utilities

Barbara reporting:

1. thanked Kelly and Bud for their election assistance preparations
2. thanked the neighbor who cleaned-up the large tree near the Community Center parking lot
3. confirmed that all interior LED lights for the Community Center are installed
4. a discussion took place about the phone technology and software that might be required to operate the new “smart thermostats” at the Community Center and they are not yet functioning properly
5. reported that she will be contacting a locksmith to fix the lock on the women’s bathroom in the Community Center
6. reported that the camera system at the Community Center needs to be replaced with the consideration to add more cameras for improved surveillance due to increased vandalism – a discussion took place about installing cameras at other locations around the Village where vandalism is also taking place – Mayor Dodaro asked Barb to contact Medina Fiber about possible options they might offer with their upcoming fiber optics installations
7. **Barb made a motion to appropriate \$10,600, from the ARPA fund, to install the new security system, along with two extra cameras, seconded by Ken. Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays**
8. the contractor also asked if she wanted to install a security system for \$550 + a monthly fee – Barb did not see a need for this system based on what is stored at this site – Mark Reuter thought it might be good to have the site monitored for fire based on the records that we store here
9. going to look into repositioning the Bocce Ball overhead lights to see if better coverage of the court can be attained

Parks

Ken reporting:

1. confirmed that Austin Fence has installed the new Tennis Court fence – confirmed that the new tiles for the court have been delivered and that a crew of three installers will be arriving on August 16th for three days to install the new court tiles with the goal of all work completing by August 19th
2. reported that the new Beach Supervisor and her team is doing a great job, the beach area is very clean, he is receiving positive feedback from the community and they are doing extra things to help keep it looking nice
3. reported that he has hired Chase Safko to pressure spray the Jungle Jim and apply a sealer
4. reported that he is still considering improvements for the Bungalow Bay Park
5. confirmed that Valley View sprayed for mosquitos six times in July and that he spoke to them to slow down as they pass through the Village applying the spray

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Streets

Bud reporting for Keith:

1. **Bud made a motion to appropriate \$2,000 for the installation of a new catch basin on Rockridge, seconded by Barb. Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays**
2. reported that Most Paving will soon start the pot-hole repairs
3. reported that Keith would like to start a tree replacement program for the Village that includes a tree trimming guideline as well

Legal

Allan reporting:

1. confirmed that he has two cases, one a Violation of a Protective Order with a pre-trial court date set for September 1st and the second case is for 9 Parkway Path with no court date yet set
2. confirmed that he sent a letter pertaining to the EMA Siren in Chippewa Lake to the Medina County EMA and some feedback that Mayor Dodaro heard about is that they are trying to confirm who owns the antenna

Finance

Gary reporting:

1. confirmed that this past Saturday he distributed the July Bank Reconciliation Report to Council reflecting that all accounts are in balance – he asked if there are any questions or comments – none were offered; he requested **a motion approving the July Bank Reconciliation Report as distributed and authorizing Council to sign the report – Bud made a motion to so move, and it was seconded by Barb. Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays**
2. confirmed that this past Saturday he distributed the July Appropriations Report to Council through the end of July, he asked if there were any questions –none were offered– Gary asked **for a motion approving Council to sign-off on the Appropriations Report through the end of July signifying Council's review and agreement with the expenditures, Bud made a motion to so move, and that it was seconded by Alan. Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays**
3. confirmed that tonight he did distribute the end of July uncommitted fund balance for the Endowment Fund as well as the uncommitted fund balance for the Park portion of the Endowment Fund – he asked if there are any questions or comments – none were offered
4. confirmed that the second and final installment of ARPA funds were received and deposited on July 12th in the amount of \$39,175.55, he asked if there were any questions –none were offered
5. confirmed that NOPEC monies in the amount of \$2,058.93 were used to pay for the LED's and thermostats purchased by Barb - he asked if there were any questions –none were offered
6. reported that the final copy of the Memo of Understanding between the Village, Medina County and Engineering Associates pertaining to Phase 9 remains open and not finalized
7. reported that tonight we need to vote on Resolution 501-22 as pertains to the OPWC Grant Application for Phase 9
8. Allan did the first reading of Resolution 501-22, "a Resolution authorizing Mayor Dodaro 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 contracts as required and declaring the same an emergency"
9. **Bud made a motion to waive the 2nd and 3rd readings of Resolution 501-22, seconded by Tamitha. Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays**

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- 10. Bud made a motion to approve Resolution 501-22 as an emergency, seconded by Tamitha.**

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays

- 11.** reported that as of the end of July, the balance in the primary checking account was \$239,396.36, in the Money Market account \$250,153.41 and \$193,834.05 in the Star Ohio account for a total of \$683,383.82 - he asked if there were any questions –none were offered

Old Business

None reported.

Public Participation

1. Mark Reuter recommended naming the park on Briarwood as Memorial Park in memory of those who helped to make our community what it is today with an annual dedication to one of those people involved and he also suggested hiring a landscaper to make it pristine in appearance – Ken stated that he wants to install a fence on three sides of this park
2. Ed requested that the Village block-off Bass Bay and Heather Hedge for the Porch Rockers music fest to be held at his home – Alan offered to bring traffic cones and barricades

New Business

1. Alan alerted residents that running small motor cycles without a license and unregistered can result in the confiscation of the vehicle and three days in jail
2. Alan read the June and July Fire Department reports

There being no further business Barb motioned to adjourn at 9:00 PM, seconded by Tamitha.

Mayor Joanne Dodaro

Fiscal Officer, Gary Harris