

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

January 11, 2021

The Council of the Village of Coldwater held its regular meeting in the election room of the Municipal Building on January 11, 2021, with Mayor Doug Bertke presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.

Roll call was responded to by: Schwieterman, Bettinger, Brunswick, Buschur, Siefiring and Rutschilling.

Guests included Jason Miller, Don Ahrens and Georgia Rindler.

A nomination was made by Schwieterman, second by Rutschilling to appoint Tim Buschur as council president for 2021. A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Siefiring to close the nomination process. Roll call resulted in the following ayes to elect Buschur as council president for 2021: Schwieterman, Bettinger, Brunswick, Siefiring and Rutschilling. Buschur abstained. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Siefiring, second by Rutschilling to approve the agenda. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Schwieterman, Bettinger, Brunswick, Buschur, Siefiring and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Comments from the Public: None

Reports:

Police: Chief Miller discussed the statistics report for 2020 and said calls were way down. He also said his department is picking up their new cruiser on Wednesday.

Finance: Eyink discussed the tax report and cash position report. Taxes were down \$182,000 as compared to 2019 but the additional Covid money and BWC money helped make up the difference.

Thomas: Thomas said we are dealing with a couple of Covid issues with the staff. He scheduled an Environmental Committee meeting for January 25, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

Mayor: Bertke said 2021 will be a better year and he said the Village has many projects planned for the year.

Old Business:

Mayor Bertke thanked and recognized Don Ahrens for his 11 years of service to the Village and Tom James for his 7 years of service to the Village.

New Business:

A motion was made by Brunswick, second by Buschur to appoint Rutschilling to the Planning Commission, Bettinger to the Tree Commission, and Schwieterman to the Board of Appeals. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Schwieterman, Bettinger, Brunswick, Buschur, Siefiring and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Rutschilling, second by Schwieterman to adopt the rules of council. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Schwieterman, Bettinger, Brunswick, Buschur, Siefiring and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Charter Ordinance 1682 was reviewed. The threshold amount for competitive bidding is currently \$50,000. A motion was made by Schwieterman, second by Buschur to keep the amount the same. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Schwieterman, Bettinger, Brunswick, Buschur, Siefring and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Council Call-Final Comments:

Buschur expressed his sympathy on the passing of Marilyn Darr. He said she was a really neat lady and was very involved in her community.

There were several thanks to Ahrens for his service to the Village.

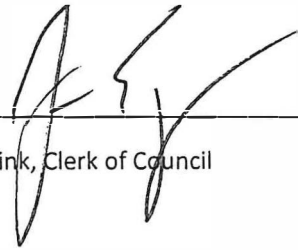
Rutschilling asked about dog laws in particular cleaning up after them. Miller said that is a tough one to enforce because they don't usually see it happen.

Bettinger expressed her sympathy on the passing of Marilyn Darr and thanked the police department for Law Enforcement appreciation day.

A motion to adjourn was made by Siefring, second by Bettinger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Attest: _____

Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council



Douglas Bertke, Mayor