RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

August 22, 2022

The Council of the Village of Coldwater held its regular meeting in the Village Council Chambers on August 22, 2022, with mayor Doug Bertke presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Roll call was responded to by: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling.

Invocation by Rutschilling.

Guests included Jason Miller, Jon Dingledine, Thomas Sparklin and Mark Davis.

A motion was made by Buschur, second by Seitz to approve the minutes from August 8, 2022. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

The agenda was revised to add a report from the Research Committee. A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Niekamp to approve the revised agenda. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Comments from the Public: None

Reports:

Police: None

Finance: Eyink stated that he and Thomas met with Stolly insurance last week regarding the liability insurance plan. The premium for 2022 was \$45,059 and the proposed premium for 2023 is \$45,301. They made a few changes to the plan that will increase the premium slightly.

Manager: Thomas said the MD committee did a nice job cleaning up after the event. He also made everyone aware of the increased traffic this week once school starts on Wednesday.

Mayor: None

Research: A Research Committee meeting was held on August 15, 2022 at 7:00 PM. Present were Bettinger, Seitz, Rutschilling, Niekamp and Buschur. The purpose of the meeting was to interview candidates for the open council seat. A motion was made by Seitz, second by Niekamp to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Seitz, Rutschilling, Niekamp and Buschur. Time 7:01 PM. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Rutschilling to come out of executive session. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Seitz, Rutschilling, Niekamp and Buschur. Time 8:53 PM. Meeting adjourned 8:54 PM.

Old Business:

Ordinance 1711- An ordinance prohibiting the placing of items on public right-of-way within the corporate limits of the Village of Coldwater Ohio. Ordinance 1711 received its third and final reading. A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Rutschilling to approve Ordinance 1711. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Buschur, second by Seitz to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried. Time 7:06.

A motion was made by Rutschilling, second by Niekamp to come out of executive session. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried. Time 7:12.

New Business:

A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Rutschilling to appoint Mark Davis to the Southeast Ward on Village Council. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Law Director Judy Koesters presided over the swearing in of newly appointed council member Mark Davis.

The police department will be adding two new positions to the department in order to provide contract services to Mercer Health. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Buschur to create the two positions. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Davis, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Seitz to allow the police chief to enter into a security service agreement with Mercer Health. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Davis, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 1712: An ordinance revising fees for services rendered by the Coldwater Police Department and declaring an emergency. A motion was made by Rutschilling, second by Niekamp to suspend the rules for Ordinance 1712. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Davis, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Buschur to approve Ordinance 1712 on its first and final reading. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Davis, Buschur, Seitz and Rutschilling. Motion Carried.

Council Call-Final Comments:

Bettinger thanked the MD committee for organizing a good tournament and she also thanked the park staff and cub scouts for their help at the tournament.

Niekamp and others welcomed Mark Davis to council.

Davis thanked council for the opportunity to serve the Village and he is looking forward to working with all of them.

Rutschilling asked when the tennis nets will be back up at the park. Thomas will talk to Jamie and get them up soon. He also asked if we had any work going on at the retention pond behind the office, he saw someone digging back there. Thomas was unaware of anything and will look into it. He also asked about the barricades at Elm Street, Thomas said they were for the cross-county meet tomorrow.

Buschur said he attended the first meeting of the year for Christmas at Memorial Park. The committee is working on a few changes for this year.

Bertke reminded everyone about the increased traffic near school this week and he wished the students a good and safe school year.

A motion to adjourn was made by Niekamp, second by Rutschilling. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Douglas Bertke, Mayor

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Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council