

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

January 9, 2023

The Council of the Village of Coldwater held its regular meeting in the Village Council Chambers on January 9, 2023, with Mayor Doug Bertke presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:16 PM.

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

Guests included Jason Miller, Tom Sparklin and Joe Weis.

Bettinger opened the nomination process for Council President by suggesting Rutschilling. Her nomination was seconded by Niekamp. A motion was made by Buschur, second by Davis to close the nomination process. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Seitz to elect Rutschilling as Council President for 2023. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Bettinger, Niekamp, Davis, Buschur and Seitz. Rutschilling abstained. Motion Carried.

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

Comments from the Public: None

Reports:

Police: Miller discussed the 2022 statistics report and he discussed a chart of high-volume call times. He said there is not a 'normal' day or time when incidents occur. He also discussed buying a vehicle for his department. It has not been easy to get vehicles through the state bid process. Orders that were placed early in 2022 have still not been filled and he anticipates the same problem in 2023.

Finance: Eyink discussed the cash position report and income tax report for 2022. Tax revenue increased by \$350,000 from 2021. He also discussed vehicles and said he will have the same problem getting trucks this year.

Manager: Thomas said the east water tower had a small leak last week. Davis Welding was called in to repair it. The towers are due to be inspected this year. He said the Chamber banquet is February 8<sup>th</sup>, please let him know if you plan on attending.

Mayor: Bertke would like to make sure the Village has a better communication process and is more transparent with the public this year.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Rutschilling was appointed to the Planning Commission. Bettinger was appointed to the Tree Commission. Seitz was appointed to the Board of Appeals. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Buschur to approve the appointments listed above. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Rutschilling, Buschur, Niekamp, Bettinger, Davis and Seitz. Motion Carried.

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

The threshold amount for competitive bidding is currently \$50,000 . This threshold was reviewed and no changes will be made at this time.


Council Call-Final Comments:


An Environmental Committee meeting was scheduled for January 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

Bettinger will be absent from the January 23, 2023 meeting.

Rutschilling will be absent from the February 13 and February 27, 2023 meetings.

A motion to adjourn was made by Seitz, second by Niekamp. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Attest:   
Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council

  
Douglas Bertke, Mayor