

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

March 11, 2024

The Council of the Village of Coldwater held its regular meeting in the Village Council Chambers on March 11, 2024, with Mayor Doug Bertke presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll call was responded to by: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Also present were Manager Eric Thomas, Law Director Judy Koesters and Finance Director Jason Eyink.

Invocation by Niekamp.

Guests included Kevin Wynk and Georgia Rindler.

A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Seitz to approve the minutes from February 26, 2024. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

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

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

Comments from the Public: None

Reports:

Police: Wynk recently attended a solar eclipse meeting. His main concerns for the Village are parking. He intends to talk to the school to see if any of their lots will be available that day. He also has concerns about the hospital and will make sure he has extra staff that day.

Finance: Eyink discussed the cash position and income tax report. He also discussed the recent health insurance quote he received. The rate from Anthem would increase by over 7 percent. He is looking into other options.

Manager: The first council meeting in April will be moved to April 9, 2024 at 7:00 PM due to the solar eclipse on Monday. A Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for March 25, 2024. A question was asked about a sign close to the alley near the post office, Thomas said we would get it moved.

Mayor: None

Old Business:

A motion was made by Buschur, second by Bettinger to go into executive session to discuss land and personnel. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried. Time 7:10 PM.

A motion was made by Davis, second by Seitz to come out of executive session. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried. Time 7:29 PM. No action taken.

Ordinance 1729: An ordinance adopting the 2024 amendments to the Village of Coldwater Employee handbook and personnel policy manual, repealing all inconsistent legislation and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1729 received its third and final reading.

A motion was made by Niekamp, second Rutschilling to approve Ordinance 1729. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 1730: An ordinance accepting the plat of RK development phase one to the Village of Coldwater Ohio, accepting the dedication to public use of the streets shown on said plat and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1730 received its second reading.

New Business: None

Council Call-Final Comments:

Buschur said he has recently been approached by a couple of residents about street repairs. He said council has talked about this issue before but he feels it is time to look at additional revenue sources for street repairs. Eyink said he will have some numbers prepared for the next Finance Committee meeting.

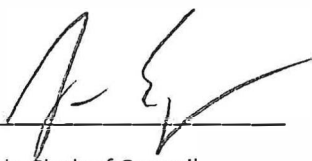
Davis said he will miss the first meeting in May due to work.

Rutschilling asked about the new building in the industrial park. Thomas said it is a new building for Signature 4. He also asked about all of the OUPS markings on Cecilia Drive, Thomas will look into that. He asked about the splash pad at the park. Thomas said the new waterline is installed and a new electrical line has been trenched in to the site. We will be able to remove some overhead lines and a few poles. Rutschilling said there is a Mercer County EMS meeting on March 19, 2024.

Bertke might miss the next meeting.

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

Attest:


Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council



Douglas Bertke, Mayor