

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

September 23, 2024

The Council of the Village of Coldwater held its regular meeting in the Village Council Chambers on September 23, 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 Village Manager Eric Thomas, Law Director Judy Koesters and Finance Director Jason Eyink.

Invocation by Seitz.

Guests included Kevin Wynk and Georgia Rindler. Don Bird and Karson Bird were also in attendance from the local boy scout group.

A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Seitz to approve the minutes from September 9, 2024. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Rutschilling, second by Davis 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 said his department is busy working on their continuing education requirements. They recently received approval to administer a driver's training class for officers.

Finance: None

Manager: Thomas said crews repaired a water line downtown today. He said the pirate ship for the splash pad has arrived, it will need installed this week and then the fence can go up. Leaf pickup begins next week.

Mayor: None

Committee: None

Old Business:

Ordinance 1740: An ordinance rezoning certain real estate located within the Village of Coldwater, from R-2 Suburban Residential to R-4 Apartment Residential. Ordinance 1740 received its third and final reading. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Buschur to approve Ordinance 1740. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Roll call resulted in the following nays: Bettinger. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 1741: An ordinance amending the business regulations contained in Chapter 840 of the codified ordinances of the Village of Coldwater and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1741 received its second reading.

Ordinance 1742: An ordinance authorizing the use of under speed vehicles, utility vehicles, and mini trucks on village streets where the speed limit is 35 miles an hour or less and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1742 received its second reading.

New Business:

Resolution 840: A resolution authorizing the Village to accept a capital improvement community park grant through ODNR for the construction of the Coldwater Memorial Park pickleball courts.

A motion was made by Bettinger, second by Rutschilling to suspend the rules for Resolution 840. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Rutschilling to approve Resolution 840 on its first and final reading. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Bettinger, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

Council Call-Final Comments:


Thomas said the Halloween parade will be on October 27, 2024 at 1:30 in the park. Trick or treat will begin after the parade.

Niekamp said he has received complaints about the way AES is trimming trees in town. Eyink said the village has received several calls also. AES has the right to trim trees near their wires. Wynk said it is written in the Ohio Revised Code.

Bettinger had a question about the crosswalks at the intersection of Main and Second Street. She asked why the crosswalk signal doesn't always change when the stop light does. Thomas said the button needs to be pressed to activate the crosswalk signal.

A motion to adjourn was made by Seitz, second by Davis. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Attest: _____


Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council



Douglas Bertke, Mayor