

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

November 11, 2024

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

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

Invocation by Rutschilling.

Guests included Kevin Wynk and Georgia Rindler.

A motion was made by Buschur, second by Seitz to approve the minutes from October 28, 2024. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

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

The agenda was revised to remove the first reading of Ordinance 1745. A motion was made by Buschur, second by Davis to approve the revised agenda. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

Comments from the Public: None

Reports:

Police: Wynk gave thanks to VJ and Marilyn Westerheide for the generous donation they made to the Police Department.

Finance: Eyink discussed the cash position report and the income tax report. He thanked the Coldwater voters for passing the additional income tax. He said he will need to schedule a Finance Committee meeting to discuss the 2025 budget.

Manager: Thomas said the leaf machine has been down for a little while. We are waiting on a part and the machine will hopefully be up and running by the end of the week.

Mayor: Bertke has his annual mayor's court training on Friday.

Committee: None

Old Business:

Ordinance 1743: An ordinance accepting the re-plat of lot #1819 of RK Development phase one and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1743 received its third reading. A motion was made by Niekamp, second by Rutschilling to approve Ordinance 1743. Roll call resulted in the following ayes: Niekamp, Buschur, Seitz, Rutschilling and Davis. Motion Carried.

New Business:

Ordinance 1744: An ordinance amending Chapter 432 of the codified ordinances of the Village of Coldwater to adopt rules prohibiting texting and driving and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1744 received its first reading.

Ordinance 1746: An ordinance amending section 412.04 of the codified ordinances of the Village of Coldwater regarding toy vehicles on roadways and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1746 received its first reading.

Ordinance 1747: An ordinance amending the Village of Coldwater, Ohio municipal income tax ordinance section 883.012 regarding the tax rate and declaring an effective date. Ordinance 1747 received its first reading.

Council Call-Final Comments:

A Safety Committee meeting was scheduled for 6:30 PM on November 25, 2024. A Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for 7:30 PM on November 25, 2024.

Niekamp asked about the status of the cardboard recycling shed which is near the city garage. Eyink said that Venture Linx will stop picking up the cardboard at some point in December.

Many congratulations were offered to the Coldwater volleyball team on winning a state championship and to Mason Ayers for earning all Ohio at the state cross country meet.

Many thanks were offered to the voters of Coldwater for passing the additional .5% income tax which will begin in January of 2025.

Thank you to all of the veterans who have served our country.

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



Douglas Bertke, Mayor

Attest: 
Jason Eyink, Clerk of Council