

Bowerston Village Council

Regular Meeting Tuesday, December 19, 2023

Village Officials Attendance: Jon Humphrey, Juliet Humphrey, Karen Donovan, Polly Wolf, Paula Beamer, James J. Ong, Janeen Scott, Jacquie Humphrey, Bart Busby and Jeremiah Warner

Visitors: None

Regular Agenda Items:

Approval of Regular November minutes Julie made motion to approve November minutes, as presented, Polly seconded, unanimous

Approval to pay bills, as presented, Jon made motion, Julie seconded, unanimous

Motion to accept financial report, as presented, Julie made motion, Jon seconded, unanimous

Executive Session, to discuss pending litigation, Karen made motion to go into executive session Juliet seconded, unanimous, 6:02pm.

Motion to return to regular session 6:15pm Julie made motion, Jon seconded, unanimous. No action taken.

Committee Reports:

Utility Committee

Recommendation from 12/13 Meeting. JJ presented Ordinance 2023-06.

Effective Immediately:

Required deposit for the establishment of new water and/or sewer service is as follows:

Water Service (inside corporation limits): \$50.00

Sewer Service (inside corporation limits): \$75.00

Water Service (outside corporation limits): \$50.00

Sewer Service (outside corporation limits): \$80.00

If a customer's water and/or sewer billing is not paid by 5:00pm on the first day of the month, then the customer's water and/or sewer service will be shut off the next business day, with applicable shut-off service fees assessed to such customer.

1. Julie moved to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency measure, Karen seconded, unanimous.
2. Karen made motion to approve Ordinance 2023-06, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Mayor's Report:

Village Administrator's Report:

1. Bart reported that the parts for the Leesville line are ordered.
2. Bart inquired if anyone has heard from the Leesville FD, no, but JJ has sent out correspondence.
3. Polly made motion to approve report, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Utility Clerk's Report:

1. Jon made motion to approve, Julie seconded unanimous.

Income Tax Administrator's Report:

1. Janeen reported that the Village is \$4,400.00 over collections from last year and there are 100 income tax filers, up from 56 last year.
2. Karen made motion to approve Janeen's report, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Fiscal Officer's Report:

1. Resolution #2023-023, to accept new funds in the amount of \$15,100.00, OWDA. Julie made motion, Polly seconded, unanimous by roll call.
2. Resolution 2023-025 Supplemental Appropriations, Polly made motion, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
3. Resolution 2023-026, Amending 2024 Revenue Budget, Julie made motion to approve, Polly seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
4. Resolution 2023-027, New Funds for Engineering services, Jon moved, Karen seconded, unanimous.

5. Resolution 2023-028, Temporary appropriations for 2024, totaling \$644,860.95. Julie made motion to approve, Jon seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
6. Approval to reimburse Mayor for costs associated with attending OMEGA Board meeting, \$30.00 for luncheon and \$64.19 mileage. Julie made motion to approve, Karen seconded, unanimous.
7. Standing permission to reimburse Mayor for mileage and/or meeting fees for events that come up between regular meetings. JJ advised that it is standard practice to have Mayor/Village Officials submit a mileage report for reimbursement. Julie made motion to approve this procedure going forward, Karen seconded, unanimous.

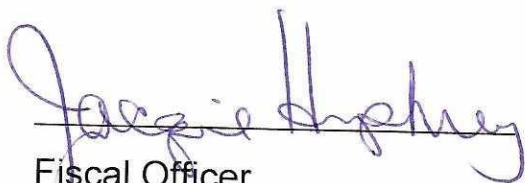
Solicitor's Report:


1. Easement Update, discussed in executive session.
2. Update on hydrant in Leesville, JJ said Progressive Insurance is to be issuing a check for this, not received yet.
3. Update on contract with Leesville Fire Department, no contact yet.
4. Property acquisition with Conotton Valley, on hold until beginning of year.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: Julie made motion to adjourn, 6:46pm, Karen seconded, unanimous.


Fiscal Officer


Mayor