

Bowerston Village Council

Regular Meeting Tuesday, October, 2024

Village Officials Attendance: Karen Donovan, Polly Wolfe, Juliet Bryant, Chase Bryant, Jon Humphrey. Paula Beamer, Janeen Scott, Bart Busby, Jeremiah Warner, Jacquie Humphrey and JJ Ong.

Visitors: Michelle Myer, Candidate for Commissioner

Call To Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Council

Public Comments: Ms. Myers was present to introduce herself to Council and explain that she is running against Amy Norris, as an Independent, for Harrison County Commissioner. Myers said that she is interested in coming in and doing the job, not getting involved in political parties

Approval of regular September minutes: Julie made motion to approve, Karen seconded, unanimous by roll vote

Pending and/or New Legislation:

1. Ordinance 2024-10, reading, camping on public property, final vote Polly made motion to approve, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call.
2. Ordinance 2024-11, amending Ordinance 2021-4, wastewater maintenance fee, JJ explained that this takes care of what Council asked in the past 2 months (compounding interest). Polly made a motion to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency measure, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote. Polly to pass the ordinance, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
3. Ordinance 2024-12, registration of rental housing properties, JJ explained that this requires property owners to notify the Village of who is residing in rental properties. Karen made the motion to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency measure, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote. Julie made motion to pass the ordinance, Karen seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.

4. Resolution 20-2024, authorizing Mayor to participate in OPWC grant funding, Gordon Street Culvert, Chase made motion to approve, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
5. Resolution 21-2024, authorizing Mayor to participate in OPWC grant funding, wastewater system improvements. Chase made motion to pass, Polly seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.

Loan/Grant Status Reports:

1. Paula explained to Council did not proceed as anticipated at the September meeting.

Mayor's Report:

1. Puala reported that the lead line survey is completed, submitted and uploaded to the website.
2. Mayor's Report attached, Chase moved to accept report, Julie seconded, unanimous.

Village Administrator's Report:

1. Report Attached, Karen moved to accept, Chase seconded, unanimous.
2. Bart advised that the State Street ditch has been re-opened.

Utility Clerk's Report:

1. Janeen provided a report to Council, Polly made motion to accept, Karen seconded, unanimous by roll call vote

Income Tax Administrator's Report:

1. Income tax letters have been mailed
2. Janeen reported that she has been receiving calls about the letters that were issued and that she is pleased that people are responding
3. Chase made motion to accept report, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.

Fiscal Officer's Report:

1. Set Finance Committee Meeting for Tuesday, October 22, noon. Jon Karen and Juliet.

2. Motion to approve bills, as presented, Jon made motion, Chase seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
3. Motion to accept financial reports, as presented, Polly made motion to approve, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll vote.
4. Jacquie updated Council on a recent meeting with representative of Unified Bank.

Solicitor's Report:

1. Oil & Gas Lease paperwork, JJ updated Council on the agreement that he has done and prepared paperwork for the lease. Chase made motion to approve, Julie seconded, unanimous by roll call vote.
2. JJ reported that the 2 deeds that Mayor had questioned are in the Village's name, he will check on the recording.
3. Leesville fire hydrant, no report
4. Easement Update, no report

Old Business:

1. Reminder trick or treat is set for the 31st, 6 to 8pm.

New Business:

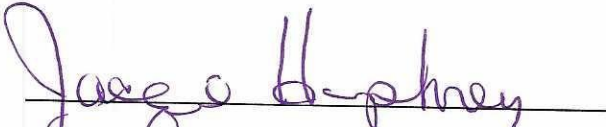
1. Holiday lights up on November 29th, 1pm for those who can help.


Karen made motion go into executive session, Julie seconded, unanimous, 6:26. ORC 121.22G2, discuss sale of property.

Return to regular session at 6:30

Adjournment:

Julie made to adjourn, Jon seconded, unanimous by roll call vote


Jacquie Humphrey, Fiscal Officer


Paula Beamer, Mayor