

VILLAGE OF RUSHVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

MONTH:October

Meeting Date: October 10, 2024 Start Time: 6:00 PM End Time: 6:55 PM

CALL TO ORDER: THE Village of Rushville Council was called into Regular Session by Mayor John Burge at the Municipal Building.

Council Members	Present	Employees	Present
John Burge, Mayor	Yes	Cindy Lewis	Yes
Jennifer Henery	Yes	Jon Browning	Yes
Kate Poston	Yes	Dave Traub	Yes
Matt Schweitzer	Yes		
Ken Dean	Yes		
Steve Lewis	Yes		
Steve June	Yes		

WELCOME VISITORS: Rickie Taylor said that he can't put the culvert in to his property because there is a gas line and water line there. He would like to work with the village to put a higher curb there to move the water away. He also needs to work with the village for the water & sewer. John said we will have to find the access to the sewer. He has drawings for whoever wants them. Jennifer said that in order to annex the part of the property that is in the township, he will have to petition the township and the village.

Jeff Shull- He heard that there is to be discussion of Oak Leaf Lane. John that there will be.

MINUTES: Jennifer moved and Steve L. seconded, to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Motion passed. Cindy said that Jennifer gave her excellent minutes from the Informational meeting, but she ran out of time to get them typed. John said we can do it next month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Affairs: Dave reported that the lead line inventory is complete. The water taps for Don Franks are installed, but not the sewer. The billboard is installed. He still has some caulking to do, and he will water seal it. They have had 17 sewer calls, mostly bad floats. The caution sign is up at Connie Butterbaugh's.

Finance:

Ordinance 15-2024 Village of Rushville Income Tax Ordinance- Ken moved, and Steve L seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed with Kate voting nay

Ordinance 15-2024 An Ordinance Authorizing the mayor to Execute an Agreement for Participation in a Regional Council of Governments Relating to the Administration and Collection of Municipal Income Tax in the Village of Rushville, Ohio. Steve L moved, and Ken seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed.

Ordinance 17-2024 An Ordinance to Establish Water and Water Dept Rates for 2025 and Abolish Ordinance 32-2023. Steve L. moved, and Jennifer seconded, to approve the Ordinance. Motion passed.

Ordinance 19-2024 An Ordinance to Establish Sewer Rates and to Abolish Ordinance 30-2023. Steve L. moved, and Jennifer seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed.

Ordinance 10-2024 An Ordinance Creating Pay Rates for Hourly Employees in the Village of Rushville for 2025 and Abolish Ordinance 24-2023. Steve L moved, and Jennifer seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed

Ordinance 20-2024 An Ordinance Creating Trash Collection Rates for the Village of Rushville for Calendar Years 2025 and 2026. Steve L moved, and Steve J seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed.

Ordinance 21-2024 An Ordinance Employing Jon M. Browning, Attorney at Law, as Village Solicitor. Jennifer moved, and Ken seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed

Ordinance 22-2024 An Ordinance Adopting and Approving the 2025 Budget and Appropriations for the Village of Rushville. Steve I moved, and Jennifer seconded to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed.

Historical- Matt said we are still waiting for the Underground Railroad marker. He doesn't have an update for the Village sign. Cindy said she hasn't received the money from South Central Power. Matt will contact them. We got the three metal signs for welcome to the village. John said we have the bricks for the pad for the marker.

Communications- He has gotten a lot of good feedback on the bulletin board on Facebook. Matt said that 300 magnets with emergency phone numbers have been ordered.

Public Records- Cindy said she has cleared two more file cabinets.

Emergency Preparedness- Steve June reported that they will have a tent at the BBB during Trick or Treat to gain people's information. Steve will print individual sheets for them. No date from the hospital regarding CPR training. Steve also said that they are going to try to get a defibrillator. John said we would have to figure out a place to put it that has access.

Grants- Kate has nothing new. John will forward an email from OPW to her.

Planning- Jennifer said that she has received the second version of the zoning ordinance. It will be reviewed at the meeting on the 24th.

OLD BUSINESS

BBB- Jon said that the draft contract is prepared. Mayor and committee need to approve. John asked about the utility bill. Matt said they didn't have a quorum at October meeting, but it will be paid.

NEW BUSINESS

Oak Leaf Lane- John wants to explore how we can accept the road. He asked if there was opposition to just taking it over. Steve L said that it is time that the Village accept the road. It is no worse than Bremen Avenue or any other road. We should do an emergency ordinance in November before we get snow. John asked if we did their leaves last year. Steve said no that they could move the leaves to Main St. He asked Jeff about the 50 foot easement, and Jeff confirmed. Jeff said that there is a plat map, and John confirmed. Matt said the primary concern was the depth of concrete wouldn't hold up. The road is already 25 years old and there doesn't seem to be any problem. Jeff said that he would help mark the water & sewer again. Steve said that unless someone has objections, he said that we should have an ordinance written to adopt the street and pass it at November meeting. He then said that perhaps we should have a special meeting because the leaf collection will be done before the November meeting. Jeff asked that it be effective January 1, 2025 for tax purposes.

Trees for Main Street- Matt asked Dave to let him know when he orders the trees, and they can then decide where they are to be planted.

Leaf Clearing- Cindy said she has the contact information from last year and will get it to Dave. John said there will be designated pick up spots. We post it on the bulletin board and on the website.

Ordinance 14-2024 An Ordinance of the Village of Rushville for the Plowing of Snow Under the Supervision of the Fairfield County Engineer. Matt moved, and Steve L. seconded to suspend the rules. Motion passed. Matt moved, and Ken seconded, to pass the Ordinance. Motion passed.

PAY BILLS: Ken moved, and Matt seconded, to pay any and all bills. Motion passed.

ADJOURN: Ken moved, and Jennifer seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Signed by:


John Burge, Mayor


Cindy Lewis, Clerk Treasurer