

Carroll Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 7:00pm. Mayor Tammy Drobina called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members of Council present were Linda Dattilo, Don Deuschle, Conda Jones, Deanna Miller, Martin Rippel and Carole Dreier.

Also present were Clerk Mary Dawson, Code Enforcement Officer and Zoning Inspector Dennis Rose, maintenance employee Rich Parker, and Police Sgt. Joe Howard. Visitors present were Adam Tippett, Trent Thomson, Kenny George, and Ed Drobina.

Under Visitors Comments, Adam Tippett thanked the fire dept. and all involved in putting out the brush fire at the old water plant.

Trent Thomson commented that sawhorses on Beaver St. are not reflective. Mayor stated they were not on the street but in the grass but the Village does plan to purchase reflective equipment for the maintenance department, and there is a grant available that may offset the costs.

Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the September 10, 2019 regular meeting. Conda Jones made a motion to accept the minutes as written, 2nd by Don Deuschle; roll call vote was all in favor.

Bills and end of month reports were presented for approval. Deanna Miller made a motion to approve, 2nd by Carole Dreier; roll call vote was all in favor.

There was a Service Committee meeting tonight before council on discussion of utility rates and also costs of inspection of new utility lines being installed. Chair Martin Rippel gave a report to council. Most pressing is the utility rates and the Clerk had come up with some numbers. It was noted Fairfield Utilities will increase their rates to us by 3% on Jan. 1. After much discussion it was decided water would be raised to \$25.00 for 2,000 gallons and \$8.50 per every additional 1,000 gallons used over 2000. Sewer will be \$13.00 per every thousand gallons of water used.

Implementing an inspection fee for new utility lines was discussed. Our current regulations do not include a fee when this work is done, and the Village will have to pay the Engineer to do that so it was agreed it was fair to bill the developer or entity installing the lines, rather than have it taken out of the fund residents pay into.

For was decided that charges would be our cost plus + 20%, to cover paperwork and other expenses. Council approved 6-0 for solicitor to do an Ordinance, it will be presented at the next Council meeting.

Police Reports for September were given by Sgt. Howard.

In Zoning, Dennis Rose said there were two sign permit applications.

In Code Enforcement, the following were in the legal process: 61 Canal St, 0 Market St., and 78 Center St. The owner of 79 Canal St said the painting of the building is supposed to start in the next couple weeks.

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Solicitor Jeffrey Feyko reported two Ordinances up for the first reading.

Mayor gave her report. Last month, removal of a sign at the school was brought up by a resident. She contacted the Superintendent and he had a replacement sign installed within a few days. It is for no left turns onto Beaver during school pick-up and drop-off hours.

After a call about the overweight equipment on our streets, it appears to have stopped.

A Zoning Board meeting is set for Oct. 23 at 6pm to review the plans submitted for Jackson Farms.

The welcome sign on High Street should be installed soon.

Next Business Association meeting is Oct. 29 at 11:30am at the Barrel Bar & Burger.

Reminder that Trick or Treat is Oct. 31 from 6-7:30pm.

Mayor thanked Council President Linda Dattilo for covering the office while she was on vacation in late September.

In Old Business, Mayor reported the bid opening on October 1st for the gravity sewer line project had only one bid and it was greatly over the estimate. Our engineer is looking into the scope of the project and for things that might be amended to encourage bidders. He is keeping in touch with the mayor about it. Mayor wanted to clarify some incorrect information going around town: the new sewer lines are to be 8", which will more than handle current needs plus anticipated growth. The 6" lines are service lines to homes.

Several residents have asked about the size of the lines recently so she wanted to stop the misinformation. These sizes were designed all along to cover future growth and clearly shown in the plans.

In New Business, the Mayor suggested having the salary for her position be a flat rate, rather than having any ties to Mayor's Court. It is currently \$500 a month when court is held and \$300 when not. As a way to make it simpler, she is offering the suggestion of a flat \$500 per month.

Carole Dreier made a motion to make the Mayor's salary \$500 a month, 2nd by Conda Jones; roll call vote was all in favor. Solicitor will prepare legislation for this for next month.

First reading held for Ord. 2019-08 Authorizing Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Stantec for 2019 Sanitary Sewer Improvements, Contract Administration, and Construction Observation.

Ord 2019-09 Authorizing Mayor and Clerk to enter into agreement with Stantec for 2020 Sanitary Sewer Improvements Design was voted to bypass the three readings by a motion from Linda Dattilo, 2nd by Don Deuschle; roll call vote was all in favor.

Motion to approve Ord 2019-09 made by Linda Dattilo, 2nd by Deanna Miller; roll call vote was all in favor.

Clerk Dawson had nothing new to report.

Maintenance Dept. worker Rich Parker said they are ready for leaf season and have been working again on potholes. They are doing maintenance on the salt spreader gate and will get with the Clerk to order salt tomorrow.

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Rich asked if the Village charges a fee for contractors working in the right-of-way, Mayor said it was discussed several years ago but the Village has never adopted any legislation to do so.

Mayor mentioned that bids for the sign that was in front of Peoples Store will be accepted until 2:30pm on Oct. 22nd. Bids will be opened at 3pm and the public is welcome to attend.

With no further business, motion to adjourn made at 7:26pm by Linda Dattilo.

Next regular meeting of Council is November 12, 2019 at 7:00pm.

MAYOR'S APPROVAL:

CLERK _____