

Carroll Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Edward Drobina called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Edward Drobina swore in Officer Jean Gourgue.

### **Roll Call**

Members of Council present were Linda Dattilo, Don Deuschle, Conda Jones, Kenny George, Deanna Miller, and Martin Rippel. Also, present were Village Solicitor Jeff Feyko, and Property Maintenance/Zoning Inspector Dennis Rose. Clerk Mary Dawson was absent due to medical leave.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Deanna Miller made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Linda Dattilo, roll call was all in favor.

### **Visitors**

Visitors present were; village residents Will Burns, Preston Barringer, Adam Tippett, and new officer to be sworn in Jean Gourgue.

### **Visitors Comments**

Preston Barringer asked when the Gaga Gaga Ball Pit was going to be built. Don Deuschle stated it was going to be built on October 16, 2021 from 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. and Jayden is looking for volunteers to help him build it. Council informed Jayden that he needed to put wood chips down in the middle of the pit. Jayden wasn't sure what type of material would be put down.

Will Burns stated the stop sign and left turn signs have been removed from the Primary School. Vehicles and buses are still not stopping. Deanna Miller said the signs are still up on the High School side. Kenny George talked to Superintendent Shawn Haughn and the reason the signs were installed were for the buses to load and unload in front of the Primary. Superintendent Haughn stated the signs were no longer necessary since buses are no longer loading and unloading in front of the Primary School.

Adam Tippett asked if the village would be collecting leaves around the village this year. The mayor said yes, they are working on the equipment right now. Adam also praised the newly paved streets. He mentioned the elections for council were coming up in less than thirty days and he wanted to thank the current council members for their service, and stated they have served the community well.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Linda Dattilo made a motion to approve minutes from council meeting on September 14, 2021, seconded by Don Deuschle, roll call was all in favor.

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Each member received copies in their packet of computer-generated Management Reports for end of September (original to be signed by the Council and Mayor); Primary Checking Account Reconciliation (to be signed by Council and Mayor); paid bills and/or due bills. Also, included was the Mayor's Monthly Statement for the month of September. Linda Dattilo made a motion to approve, seconded by Conda Jones, roll call was all in favor.

### **Committee Reports**

Finance: The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

On the agenda was to discuss the Carroll Civic Center and water and sewer rates for 2022.

The committee discussed the CCC. After further discussion the committee decided to schedule a meeting with Greenfield Twp. to gather more information. The committee will reconvene after meeting with Greenfield Twp. to make a decision about rates and signing the new lease. They will then take their suggestions to council for a vote.

Next discussed was the rates for water and sewer. The committee decided to hire a company to do a rates analysis, so that they could make the best decision on how to proceed with rate increases for 2022.

The mayor will contact Greenfield Twp. to set up a meeting with the Finance Committee. He will also contact different companies to inquire about a rate analysis for water and sewer rates.

Service: Did not meet.

Safety: Did not meet.

Rules: Did not meet.

### **Police Report**

Sgt. Joe Howard had no statistics to give. Deanna Miller asked if there was any information that Sgt. Howard wanted to give. Sgt. Howard gave the background on Officer Jean Gourgue that was sworn in this evening.

### **Zoning/Property Maintenance Inspector**

In Zoning: Nothing to report.

In Code Enforcement: 0 Winchester Rd. was sent a violation for property needing mowed. Dennis and Solicitor Jeff Feyko discussed 71 High St. The property owner completed part of the property violation and keeps putting off the other violations. Council decided along with the Solicitor to give the property owner thirty days to fix the violations.

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**Solicitor's Report**

Only one ordinance this evening and it is up for the third reading.

**Ordinance 2021-11:  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE MANUAL OF  
PERSONNEL POLICIES AND REGULATIONS**

**Mayor's Report**

Trick or Treat is Thursday, October 28 from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. There will be officers on duty.

The mayor thanked the Carroll Festival Committee for the Community Day they sponsored.

The mayor also thanked Council Member Kenny George for taking on the basketball poles and backboards project.

DLZ Engineering is working on getting a grant for paving of High Street for 2022.

The mayor asked council if they wanted him to proceed with DLZ Engineering to do the rate analysis. Council decided to wait a week to see if the mayor hears from RCAP, and if not, or is the cost is higher with RCAP, to go ahead with DLZ Engineering.

The goal is to start leaf pick up next week.

The lift station for Phase II of the Sanitary Sewer Project is supposed to be in on October 25, with the installation on October 27. By the first of November they will be paving the alleys and a portion of Water St., if all goes on schedule.

The council needs to discuss how to spend the American Rescue Plan. The mayor thought it would the best place to spend the money would be in the water and sewer department.

Fairfield County Engineers hired a company to write grants for the use of the American Rescue Plan money. The mayor will reach out to them for ideas. The county is covering the cost for the use of this program.

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

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THIRD READING

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- Deanna Miller made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Don Deuschle, roll call was all in favor.

**Clerk's Report**

Absent

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Council member Linda Datillo would like to discuss raises for the council members. Solicitor Jeff Feyko suggested for the Finance Committee to schedule a meeting to discuss the matter. No meeting was set at this time.

**Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**

There being no other business before council, Linda Dattilo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Deanna Miller. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Mary E. Dawson, Clerk-Treasurer

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Edward J. Drobina, Mayor