

Village of Byron
Regular Council – ZBA Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2021

Meeting called to order at: 7:00 pm by President Bessenbacher

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: President Bessenbacher

Roll Call – Present: Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. C. Johnson Attorney present.

Approval of Agenda: Phillips motioned to approve the agenda with amendments; seconded by Campbell. Under new business add New Ordinance/Modify and under committee add 911 commission. Voice Vote: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None.

Approval of Minutes: Phillips motioned to approve the minutes for February 8, 2021 as written; seconded by Campbell. Voice Vote: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None.

Public Comments – Agenda Items: Bob Cassiday, Superintendent of Byron Schools, introduced himself. Purple is his favorite color and that he is from a small town. His daughter-in law graduated from Byron and he feels that there is great opportunity for growth in the school. He does a YouTube video on Fridays. Any questions call or email him.

Treasurers Report – Ketchum read report and Phillips motioned to approve pending audit; seconded by Chapman. Roll Call: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None.

Approval of Bills –Campbell reported 34 checks (64E and 26930-26962) totaling \$48,419.05. Chapman motioned to pay the bills; seconded by Orr. Roll Call: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None.

Bills Awaiting Approval – None

Committee Reports: Budget: Reed said all going well with budget and audit will start soon. S. Riley is going to help with new chart of accounts. New trash company gave information to the committee.

911 Commission: Campbell explained the commission and Bessenbacher asked how many on the board. Campbell said 12. Phillips commented on the scrambling of the airways.

Police Report: Bessenbacher read the report.

DPW Report: Bessenbacher read the report and discussion took place on 3 tabled items. Tabled again for more information. Discussion on unauthorized purchased took place. Bessenbacher asked what normal spending should look like for a month and C. Johnson gave options of what could be done and said he should attend council meetings, as part of his work week hours. He said that resolutions could be put in place on spending and Bessenbacher asked if no receipt you pay for it could be added to

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resolution. C. Johnson said that a letter should be sent to each company stating that Pre-authorization needed. Bessenbacher going to tell Warren he must turn in receipts. Phillips motioned that all spending by DPW Warren be suspended and both Chase and Valero cards are to be turned in. Effective immediately; seconded by Chapman. Roll Call: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None. Warren needs to contact Bessenbacher when he needs fuel.

Cemetery Report: Bessenbacher read report.

DDA: None

Commissioner Report: Root Absent

Old Business – A) New Council Member Appointment – 2 Open Seats: Bessenbacher recommended Guttershon (term 11/24) and Childers (term 11/22): Orr seconded. Voice Vote: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None.

B) Sale of Police Guns: Bessenbacher explains Shettler Gun and they would handle everything for 20%. Thunderbolt Gun Smithing said he could do the same and would only charge 10%. Campbell motioned to let Thunderbolt Gun Smithing sell the guns with 10% commission and a \$400.00 to \$600.00 average for 6- 40 Glockes, 1 Smith and Wesson 357, 1 22 revolver long rifle and 1 40 high point; seconded by Phillips. Roll Call: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None. Ketchum asked where should the money go and C. Johnson said police equipment.

New Business – A) New Ordinance or Modify: C. Johnson explained that we need to do something for Civil Infractions and that court could take a while. He added that putting something in an ordinance would be cheaper for the Village and fines would be set by resolution. Both will be ready for April.

Public Comments: M. Prestonise asked about trash cans and Bessenbacher said Warren takes care of them. Ketchum asked about the vacuum cleaner.

Any Other Business from Council /Comments: Bessenbacher asked if any council member would like to be on DPW committee. July 10th is set for family fun day. She read email about scout project of installing wood duck houses on the Mill Pond. Council was in favor of this.

Items For Next Agenda: tabled DPW items

Meeting adjourned at: Motion to adjourn 8:57 pm by Chapman; seconded by Phillips. Voice Vote: Ayes- Chapman, Campbell, Phillips, Orr and Bessenbacher. 2 vacant seats. Nays: None.



Marsha Reed, Clerk



Approval Date



Vicki Bessenbacher, President