

Village of Byron
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2016

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

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: President Brunell

Roll Call – Present: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Cole and Brunell.

Approval of Agenda: Cole motioned to approve the agenda as written; seconded by Miller. Voice Vote: Ayes-Bessenbacher, Berecz, Orr, Miller, Prestonise, Cole and Brunell; No Nays - Passed.

Approval of Minutes: Miller motioned to approve the Minutes for October 10, 2016 as written; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Cole, Prestonise and Brunell. Nays: None -Passed.

Public Comments – Agenda Items: None

Treasurers Report – Ketchum read report. Report to stand pending audit.

Approval of Bills –Cole motioned to approve the bills with checks 24736-24773 and EFT 55 with the exception of checks 24750, 24751, 24757-24759 (approved last month) and voided check; seconded by Berecz. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Prestonise, Cole and Brunell. No Nays - Passed. Prestonise asked about D & G invoice for a drive belt and Ketchum explained the invoice.

Bills Awaiting Approval – Berecz motioned to pay bills (blue folder) listed on approval sheet totaling \$9,945.90; seconded by Cole Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Cole and Brunell. Nays: Bessenbacher, Miller and Prestonise - Passed. Questions were asked about Ace Hardware and Andrews Hooper Pavlik bills and Reed answered.

President’s Communications: Brunell informed council that all of Eller’s uniforms and badge were returned to Chief Hartz. She explained emails from DEQ about HES not having license and the other email about saying that someone was in place. Brunell explained the reissued payroll checks.

Personnel Committee: Berecz explained the procedure the committee recommended for removal of employees personal property. Gormley said should go into the handbook and to let him know so that he could have it done for next month.

Police Report: Chief Hartz explained the report and pleased with how it is going. He went over the arrests and tickets. Hartz talked about school liaison. He also explained the modem charge was for shipping and handling. Hartz explained that the modem issue gave the appearance that the Byron car was patrolling in Durand. Hartz assured it was only going for repair.

DPW Report: Prestonise asked about the stump grinding in-house and wire fed welder. Reed explained stump grinding and Berecz explained the welder. Prestonise asked if Bretzlaff was still working and Brunell explained the foundations.

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DDA: R. Vandemark talked the resolution signed by DDA and he gave an update on Safe Routes to School.

Old Business: A) Presentation of Audit Quotes: Brunell introduced Eric Sturk from Roy, Noye and Warren CPA firm. Sturk talked about the firm and how long he has worked for them. He said he would be the main contact and went into the difference between the 1 year and 3 year contract. Sturk also went on to explain the audit steps.

New Business - A) Resolution: Brunell turned floor over to Gormley. Gormley explained the resolution and ordinances that would update the TIF area for the DDA as well as making them our planning commission. Miller motioned to approve the Resolution of Intent To Amend Ordinance 2013-2 Regarding The Creation And Designation Of Boundaries Of The Downtown District; Bessenbacher seconded. Roll Call: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Prestonise, Cole and Brunell. No Nays - Passed.

B) Event Permit: Motion for approval of the permit for Christmas in the Village, taking place on December 2, 2016 at 6:30 pm was made by Miller and seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Cole, Prestonise and Brunell. Nays: None -Passed.

Any Other Business from Council /Comments: Orr thanked Cole for her 30 years of service. Berecz commented on the bridge inspection. Berecz also talked about snow removal. Miller stated that snow on sidewalks from plowing needs to be removed. Gormley talked about business sidewalks and snow in Fowlerville. Gormley said any changes need to be sent to him before the next meeting. Berecz asked if council still wanted him to work with Warren on the DPW inventory. Council said ok to continue. Cole turned her key in. Prestonise asked about vacant seats and would publication in paper be ok. Gormley said paper is ok and he also talked about how reduction could take place. Prestonise motion to put ad in paper (The Independent public notices) for vacant seats to run one time; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes- Orr, Berecz, Miller, Bessenbacher, Cole, Prestonise and Brunell. Nays: None -Passed.

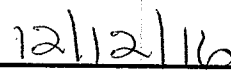
Public Comments: None

Items For Next Agenda: Audit Firms

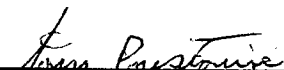
Meeting adjourned at: Motion to adjourn at 7:54 pm by Brunell; seconded by Prestonise. Voice Vote: Ayes-Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Miller, Orr, Berecz, Cole and Brunell. No nays-passed.



Marsha Reed, Clerk



Approval Date



Tony Prestonise, President