Village of Ashland Meeting Minutes

03-13-2024

Village President Mau called the meeting to order with roll call at 6:00 pm. All members were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting and special board meeting were reviewed. Jacob Gardner made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Nathan Grieme. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Mr. Cummings, Principal of AC Central, and the senior class presented ideas to fix up the Ashland Reservoir as part of their senior project. A date has been set for April 16, 2024 (Tuesday). The class would like to repair and paint the small pavilion, build a picnic table in their shop to be delivered to the site and clean out the weeds. They also suggested possibly having a fishing pole rental in the future.

Vanessa Doellman presented the treasurer's report. One quarter of the fiscal year is left. No changes were needed with all line items in good shape. Annual appropriation meeting will be March 20, 2024 at 6:00 pm. Motion by David Wilken to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

David Wilken suggested that for future need the Village should rent a vac truck instead of renting it daily when needed. You will need a "tanker endorsement" on your license to rent the truck.

Bills were presented with the addition of an AT&T bill that came in on meeting day. Motion to approve the bills by Richard Turner, seconded by Nancy Kyrouac. Motion carried by roll call vote. Also ARPA expense sheet was presented to the board showing a payment to Brown Equipment Co for \$8,039.00, which was for the radio transmitter meter locator.

Public Works report given by Will Harris. Price of a new pump at the sewer plant was discussed. It was purchased from C&C Pumps & Supply, Inc. for \$3,019.00.

Police report was given by Chief Marty Fanning. Body cameras options: Opt. 1 - \$9,715.00 (2 cameras; 5-year warranty). Repurchase at end of 5 years. Opt. 2 - \$9,996.00. Refreshed – 2 year send 2 new cameras, will be required first of next year. License refreshed in 5 years. 5- year warranty from date of original purchase. Opt. 3- buy 2 refresh in 2026 and refresh in 2029. After much discussion, it was decided that ARPA funds would be used to pay for the body cameras. Motion made by David Wilken to purchase Axon police body cameras. (buy 2, get 2) not to exceed \$12,500.00; seconded by Richard Turner. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Tom Veith prepared Ordinance 2024-154, amending the Zoning Code for short term rental units' in R-1, R-2 and B1 districts for Special Use Permit with license. After discussion, Richard Turner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-154; seconded by Nathan Grieme. Motion passed by roll call vote.

Ordinance No. 2024-155, an ordinance amending the Ashland Municipal Code Chapter 10 Licenses, adding Article VII short-term rentals, section 10-171 through section 10-177 was presented to the board by attorney Tom Veith. After a lengthy questions and discussion, Nathan Grieme made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-155, seconded by Nancy Kyrouac. Motion passed by roll call vote.

President Mau announced that CRW will be increasing their rates by \$0.25 with the May 2024 bill.

Old Business-

Trustee Wilken inquired about the lead service line project. Public Works Director Will Harris is working with Kenneth McCart, the water supervisor to complete the project on time.

Motion made by Nancy Kyrouac to go into Executive session to discuss personnel., seconded by Jacob Gardner.

Motion to come back into regular session by David Wilken, seconded by Jacob Gardner.

Motion was made by Jacob Gardner, seconded by Nathan Grieme to pay the town mower's \$16.00/hr. Motion approved by roll call vote.

Motion to adjourn at 7:23pm by Nathan Grieme, seconded by Jacob Gardner. Motion passed. as special use in zone R1, R2 and B2.

Respectfully Submitted

Pamela J Gardner, Clerk