

VILLAGE OF ERIE

August 9, 2022

The Board of Trustees met in regular session in the fire station on August 9, 2022. President Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following Trustees present: Joe Froeliger, Jeff Wirth, Becky Cox, Quincy Pool, and Tara Kapple. Trustee Woody Besse was absent.

- ** Trustee Wirth made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 12th meetings as presented. Seconded by Trustee Froeliger. Roll call was as follows: aye – Wirth, Froeliger, Pool, Kapple, and Cox; nay – none.
- ** Trustee Wirth made a motion to approve the July Treasurer's report. Seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll call was as follows: aye – Wirth, Cox, Froeliger, Pool, and Kapple; nay – none.
- ** Trustee Froeliger made a motion to approve paying the bills. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Kapple, Pool, Wirth, and Cox; nay – none.
- ** April 2022 sales tax was \$11,596.10. June recycling was 21,370 pounds.

Trustee Wirth made a motion to pass Ordinance #775, "An Ordinance Establishing the Erie Business District; Approving a Business District Plan; Authorizing the Imposition and Collection of a Sales Tax within Such Business District; and Approving Certain Actions in Connection with the Establishment of such Business District". Seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll call was as follows: aye – Wirth, Cox, Froeliger, Pool, and Kapple, nay – none.

At 6:05 Trustee Wirth made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll call was as follows: aye – Wirth, Cox, Froeliger, Pool, and Kapple, nay – none.

At 6:28 Trustee Froeliger made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Pool, Kapple, Wirth, and Cox, nay – none.

Economic Development Director's Report

- * A developer has purchased 2 plots of land within the TIF district and is in discussion to purchase a third. Once the developer's plans are complete they will be presented to the TIF Board for approval. Construction is planned to begin in the spring of 2023.
- * Margaret Park redesign and installation is complete.

* “All Roads Lead to Erie” signs are installed. Landscaping is yet to be done.

Police Report

- * National Night Out was a success. An estimated 200 people attended.
- * Chief Hawk spoke to the Board about purchasing a new, portable, RBT breath tester at a cost of \$3795.00. The current breath testers are no longer admissible in court.
- * Chief Hawk also spoke about purchasing a body cam for the SRO officer. The one in his vehicle no longer works.

Trustee Pool made a motion to purchase an Alco-Sensor VXL portable breath tester at a cost of \$3795.00. Seconded by Trustee Froeliger. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Froeliger, Kapple, Wirth, and Cox, nay – none.

Trustee Cox made a motion to purchase a Prestige II body cam for the SRO officer at a cost of \$250.00. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Kapple, Pool, Froeliger, and Wirth, nay – none.

Public Works

Asphalt work is starting on Thursday, August 11th.

Village Attorney

The Village’s Life Safety Code needs to be updated. Attorney Shirk will prepare an ordinance for next month’s meeting that will update the Village’s code to the current code and permit automatic updates in the future.

Trustee Cox made a motion to continue the process of vacating a portion of 13th Avenue to the Township with the understanding that the Township will provide a 4 – 6 foot easement to Erie Foods and/or any future owners. Seconded by Trustee Froeliger. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Froeliger, Pool, Kapple, and Wirth, nay – none.

Additional Business

Trustee Kapple made a motion to approve Katelin Bridgman’s contract as the Village’s Economic Development Coordinator. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Kapple, Pool, Froeliger, Cox, and Wirth, nay – none.

Electronic Waste Pick-Up will be September 24th, from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the Sewer Plant.

There have been several complaints regarding different issues with the garbage service. President Smith has spoken to the company and she will call again about several additional issues that were presented by Trustees at this meeting.

The Board discussed lowering the speed limit in the Village triangle, adding STOP islands in more visible locations, adding some speed bumps, adding some STOP signs on the Avenues and replacing some yield signs with STOP signs. Trustee Pool made a motion giving Joel permission to install 3 stop islands in the Triangle when time allows. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Kapple, Froeliger, Cox, and Wirth, nay – none. This discussion will continue with further action to be taken.

At 7:30 Trustee Cox made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Pool, Froeliger, Kapple, and Wirth, nay – none.

Marcia Smith, Village President

ATTEST:

Gail Possley, Village Clerk