

VILLAGE OF ERIE

November 8, 2022

The Board of Trustees met in regular session on November 8, 2022. President Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following Trustees present: Jeff Wirth, Becky Cox, Quincy Pool, Woody Besse, and Joe Froeliger. Trustee Tara Kapple was absent.

- ** Trustee Cox made a motion to approve the minutes of the October meeting as written. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Pool, Besse, Froeliger, and Wirth, nay – none.
- ** Trustee Wirth made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for October. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Wirth, Besse, Froeliger, Cox, and Pool, nay – none.
- ** Trustee Cox made a motion to approve paying the bills. Seconded by Trustee Wirth. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Wirth, Pool, Besse, and Froeliger, nay – none.
- ** The Board received a Thank-You note from Revitalize Erie for its support of the Pumpkin Bash.
- ** Sales tax for July was \$10,546.31. Recycling for September was 22,070 pounds.

Resident Shannon James spoke to the Board about her concerns with leaf burning. It was particularly bad on Halloween when kids were out trick-or-treating. She would like to see some specific burn days set and no burning during school hours. After discussion, Trustee Cox said she would call Moring Disposal to see what their options are regarding regular leaf/yard waste pick up. No restrictions were decided at this time.

At 6:06 Trustee Pool made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Trustee Wirth. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Wirth, Cox, Froeliger, and Besse, nay – none.

At 6:20 Trustee Pool made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Trustee Froeliger. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Froeliger, Besse, Cox, and Wirth, nay – none.

Community and Economic Development Director

Katelin presented to the Board an option for industrial solar lights that would be placed at the Village signs. Trustee Pool made a motion to purchase 5 lights for \$700.00. Seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Cox, Wirth, Froeliger, and Besse, nay – none.

Village Attorney

The Board discussed annexing some property into the Village. After discussion, Trustee Pool made a motion giving Attorney Shirk and President Smith approval to proceed with the annexation process. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Besse, Froeliger, Wirth, and Cox, nay – none.

At 6:40 Trustee Besse made a motion to return to closed session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Pool, Cox, Wirth, and Froeliger, nay – none.

At 6:46 Trustee Cox made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Besse, Froeliger, Wirth, and Pool, nay – none. Discussion continued on the placement of additional STOP signs in the Village. Trustee Besse made a motion to place 3 temporary STOP signs on the Triangle. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Pool, Cox, Wirth, and Froeliger, nay – none. The placement of the new signs will be at locations recommended by the Chief of Police. The signs will be temporary in order to assess the best placement for future permanent signs. Trustee Cox made a motion to purchase the additional STOP signs. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Pool, Besse, Froeliger, and Wirth, nay – none.

Trustee Pool made a motion to approve the School Resource Officer (SRO) contract. Seconded by Trustee Froeliger. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Froeliger, Besse, Cox, and Wirth, nay – none.

Public Works

The new railroad crossing just completed on 6th Avenue made the grade of the crossing too steep for low trailers that follow the truck route through town. Trustee Pool made a motion to accept the proposal from Stichter Construction to apply asphalt to reshape the grade at a cost of \$19,625.00. Seconded by Trustee Cox. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Cox, Wirth, Froeliger, and Besse, nay – none.

After discussion, Trustee Froeliger made a motion to purchase a used plate packer from Cady Electric for \$1200.00. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Besse, Pool, Cox, and Wirth, nay – none.

Trustee Cox made a motion to pass Resolution 2022-3, allowing Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds to be used to pay Stichter Construction \$77,931.88 for the Village's 2022 street work. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Besse, Froeliger, Wirth, and Pool, nay – none.

Joel informed the Board that water testing at 5 of 10 homes, randomly chosen by the EPA, showed high levels of copper. These results are not a problem with the Village water, but caused by the copper pipes and solder used in the homes' plumbing. As a result of these readings the Village has to install a phosphate chemical feed system to the Village's water supply.

At 7:54 Trustee Froeliger made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Pool, Cox, Wirth, and Besse, nay – none.

Marcia Smith, Village President

ATTEST:

Gail Possley, Village Clerk