

**Village of Shepherd
Minutes of Meeting
June 17, 2019**

Regular meeting of Shepherd Village Council held on Monday, June 17, 2019. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Village Trustee Kent Roth at the Village Office.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Coughlin, M. Davidson, Maloney, Myers, Roth
Absent: DeGraw, Reynolds
Present: DPW – Steve Davidson Police – Chief Sawyer

Motion by Coughlin, second by Myers to approve minutes of meeting held on June 3, 2019. Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion by Davidson, second by Myers to approve the Treasurer and Investment Report for May 2019. Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Public Comment:

Merlene Koutz, 280 E Orchard, questioned the alley ways in the village and who mows them. He stated that he has mowed the alley near him for 40+ years.

Chris Kutz, Tim Dougherty, 206 S Second and Amy Powell from Art Reach asked Council their thoughts about having the intersections painted. There would be no cost to the village. They would fund raise and seek grant money along with support from Art Reach. They would like to do the project shortly after Festival in 2020.

Council asked about the type of paint, the design and participation. The group replied that the paint is acrylic, like the project in Mt Pleasant that has been going now for 8+ years with continued participation where they even have to find places for them to paint and some even do a second or third coat to participate. A maple leaf is what is being suggested for the design. Council tabled the project.

Janet Leiferman, Pleasant Valley Rd/Farm to Table coordinator, discussed the street closure on Second Street for the Farm to Table event on August. There seems to be some issues with Highland Plastics and the drivers getting to their location. Can any directional signs be put up? Trustee Roth stated that he would speak to Mr. Simmons at Highland Plastics.

Merlene Koutz, 280 E Orchard, asked the status of the water park. Response was at this point the committee is still seeking grant funding and location for a ball field to replace the one being removed.

PRESENTATION: Don from Spicer Group presented to Village Council information regarding their engineering firm and what they can do for the Village.

Committee meetings:

DPW: Wonsey's will be in tree trimming and tree removal; have been mowing yards that are not in compliance and had been posted; servicing equipment; drink water inspections have started; sludge testing at lagoons are good and are good to be removed to farm land – will be getting bid documents ready for the removal; brush chipping, working on sidewalks and have had committee discussions on the RV dump site; rate study will be the week of July 15th in house with Rural Water with Steve and Gina; well testing done – all good; water tower inspection next year.

Festival: land has been paid off; bridge and property – village will give the property east of the river to the festival and the bridge was originally given to them. Sugar Bush and Festival will be meeting together to decide.

Police: previewed issues from festival – yards, rides, etc.; discussed summer schedules and upcoming training; businesses will start being addressed for blight

Planning Commission:

June 11th denied Site Plan for Klumpp property on North Drive based on direction from Village Attorney William Shirley based on water/sewer services. Mr. Klumpp will be at the July 1st Council meeting to discuss issues with Council under new business.

ZBA: meeting scheduled for June 27th for a variance at 310 Orchard that exceeds the 30% lot coverage to construct an attached garage.

Zoning: detached garage that was placed at 208 N Second does not meet the variance approval that was on the permit that was approved. Clerk sent certified letter to learn that one of the owners has moved to another state. Another letter will be hand delivered by the Police Department.

Old Business:

Purchase Req's: None

Trash Contract: Bid documents have been sent out and there will be a scheduled bid opening at 3:30 on July 15th. All bids are due by 3:00 pm on July 15th.

Website: one more bid coming from Sandy at Hawthorne Software.

Leaf Vac Bids: 2 bids were received for the leaf vac unit. Bell Equipment for \$68,000 and American Road Machine for \$61,000. Currently the Village has a Tarco unit which is also with American Road Machine now with that cost being \$89,168. Discussion on leasing for 3 years or for 5 years with Leasing 2.

Motion by Maloney, second by Coughlin to approve a 5 years lease with Leasing 2 for the purchase of a leaf vac from Bell Equipment in the amount of \$68,000.

Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

New Business:

Motion by Maloney, second by Davidson to approve payment of bills in the total amount of \$20,233.74. Carried by roll call vote 5-0.

Motion approved to adjourn at 8:28. Carried 5-0.

Submitted by
Gina L Gross
Village Clerk