# Village of Youngstown



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# Village of Youngstown Board of Trustees Work Session Minutes – September 24, 2020

**PRESENT:** Mayor Reynolds, Deputy Mayor Fox, Trustee Comerford, Trustee Reisman, Trustee Quarantillo, Attorney Caserta, Superintendent Muller, Chief Schuey, Building Inspector Stevens, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Freiermuth, Clerk-Treasurer Brown, Shawn D'Luhy.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Reynolds called the work session to order at 7:03 p.m.

## VILLAGE BUSINESS:

Based on election results from the September 15, 2020 Village election, the Oath of Office has been administered by Clerk-Treasurer Brown on September 18, 2020 to Trustee Robbie Reisman and Trustee Nicole Quarantillo. The terms are four years for each position.

Mayor Reynolds welcomed and introduced the two new Trustees to the Board. Mayor Reynolds stated that they were officially sworn in on September 18, 2020.

### **AUTHORIZATION:**

Request for approval for the Clerk-Treasurer to make a budget journal adjustment to reflect the Stone Garden grant received for Police salary. Credit A3120.1 police salary line, \$4,849.76 and debit Stone Garden grant A2707 \$4,849.76.

Deputy Mayor Fox made a motion to approve the budget journal, seconded by Trustee Comerford. Trustee Reisman asked what the grant was. Chief Schuey explained that it was a Federal grant received for the Police to patrol. Trustee Reisman asked why the funds got o Police and not to the General fund. Chief Schuey explained that the grant is specific for police salary and must be used for police patrols. With no further discussion, roll call was taken.

Mayor Reynolds-yes

Deputy Mayor Fox- yes

Trustee Comerford-yes

Trustee Reisman-yes

Trustee Quarantillo-yes

All in favor, motion was carried.

Request for approval for the Clerk-Treasurer to make a budget journal adjustment to reflect moving water sewer funds from the end of the fiscal year May 2020 to the current fiscal year for payment of the new Badger water system previously approved. Funds will not need to be taken from reserves as previously designated. Amount not to exceed \$42,000.00.

Motion to approve the budget journal was made by Deputy Mayor Fox, seconded by Trustee Quarantillo. Trustee Reisman asked what the Badger water systems was. Mayor Reynolds explained this has already been approved and is the new system we are implementing to handle the water reads and install the remaining meters needed. Mayor Reynolds continued explaining that this request is handling a budget journal to move funds from the end of the fiscal year and we will not have to draw from reserves for the payment. With no further discussion, roll call was taken.

Mayor Reynolds-yes Deputy Mayor Fox- yes Trustee Comerford-yes

Trustee Reisman-yes Trustee Quarantillo-yes

All in favor, motion was carried.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The next Board meeting will be October 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The next work session will be October 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The Board will enter into Executive session following the work session today regarding contractual matters.

So noted.

Attorney Caserta spoke before the session was adjourned to advise that there is a new mandate related to COVID-19 and utility payments. Per Public Service Law § 32, 89-b and 91 (Chapter 108 and 126 of the Laws of 2020) if you have had a change of financial circumstances due to COVID-19, your utilities may not be shut off for non payment. Penalties and late fees may not be added and a deferred payment plan must be offered. Residents are still responsible for payment and charges for service. Residents must request this from the service provider (Municipality or utility service), and may have to self-certify the change in financial status. This is effective until March 31, 2021. Attorney Caserta stated he is working with Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Freiermuth on language that will be included on the October water bill mailing. Mayor Reynolds stated that the Board needs to keep in mind this could put a great deal of extra work on the Clerk's office..

With no further items, Mayor Reynolds called for a motion to adjourn to the Executive session. Trustee Quarantillo made the motion to adjourn to the work session at 7:23 p.m., seconded by Deputy Mayor Fox. Roll call was taken.

Mayor Reynolds-yes Deputy Mayor Fox- yes Trustee Comerford-yes

Trustee Reisman-yes Trustee Quarantillo-yes

All in favor, motion was carried.

Motion to adjourn Executive session and enter back to regular session was made by Trustee Comerford at 7:42 p.m., seconded by Deputy Mayor Fox. Roll call was taken.

Mayor Reynolds-yes Deputy Mayor Fox- yes Trustee Comerford-yes

Trustee Reisman-yes Trustee Quarantillo-yes

All in favor, motion was carried.

Motion to adjourn the regular session was made by Deputy Mayor Fox at 7:43 p.m., seconded by Trustee Quarantillo. Roll call was taken.

Mayor Reynolds-yes Deputy Mayor Fox- yes Trustee Comerford-yes

Trustee Reisman-yes Trustee Quarantillo-yes

All in favor, motion was carried.