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Village of Youngstown Board of Trustees Minutes – September 8, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor Reisman, Deputy Mayor Heath, Trustee Stella, Trustee Stevens, Attorney Caserta, Building Inspector Stevens, Engineer Lannon, Recreation Director Gruarin, Clerk-Treasurer Brown. **ABSENT:** Trustee Quarantillo, Grant Writer Grasso, Sergeant Ullery, Superintendent Muller.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Reisman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Reisman opened the meeting to public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT--all comments shall be kept to 3 minutes and directed to the Village Board of Trustees.

Henry Sloma, 366 Carrollwood Dr addressed the Board regarding the noise ordinance update passed at the previous Board meeting. Mr. Sloma stated he did research and the noise from Main Street music was very audible from over 75 feet away. Mr. Sloma stated he felt the update for the ordinance was not very well thought out. Mayor Reisman acknowledged Mr. Somas remarks and Attorney Caserta advised the ordinance can be revisited in the future if needed.

Jean Walker, 145 Swain Road addressed the Board with concerns over the proposed Greenway Bike Trail going through Swain Road. Ms. Walker stated she is against the path on Swain Road as it has the potential to be dangerous and cause accidents due to the layout of the area. Mayor Reisman stated he would be addressing this in his report.

Steve Lovell of 155 Swain Road addressed the Board, echoing Ms. Walkers concerns. Mr. Lovell added it is a safety issue as the dip in River Road causes issues seeing riders. Mayor Reisman stated he would address this, and added that he met with the Greenway people and the path will not be going down Swain Road due to the safety concerns.

With no further public comment, Mayor Reisman moved on to Departmental reports.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE: Sergeant Ullery was absent, but turned in his report.

Police Report for August 2022 PATROL REPORT 1. YPD provided 164 hours of car patrol coverage between the month of August & September (8/3/22 and 9/4/22). 2. All calls for service are logged and recorded with the Niagara County Sheriff's Office, E-911 Dispatch including

house/business checks and vehicle stops, as well as EMS calls assisting the Fire Company. Village Calls - 48 4 – Calls for assistance from NCSD/Lewiston Police/Parks Police (provide back-up) 6- Outside Village Calls – Town of Porter (closest car) Events - Youngstown Music Festival 8/6/2022 @ Veterans Park – Event went well Traffic Stops – 15 2- Citations for Vehicle & Traffic Violations during the month 13- Drivers received cautionary warnings (Residents) Arrests - 1 – Harassment Complaint Premise Checks - 189 Including building checks, park checks, Water Street Docks and problem areas- Cold Storage, Old Fort Inn-Vacant buildings Parking Issues - 3 – Nancy Price Drive – Veterans Park during the Music Festival 1 – Church Street – During Music festival Recovered Property – 1 Bike, 1 Apple Watch – Owner located property returned (Watch)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: Superintendent Muller was absent, but turned in his report.

• Sweeping roads for Porter (3 day-1 man) • Painting fire hydrants • Inspecting fire hydrants • Trimming trees • Water work on Water Street • Meeting • Marking out water street • Working on paving roads • Grinding roads • Painted lines on roads • I-n-l's • Hauling mulch. DPW Superintendent, Todd C. Muller.

ENGINEER: Engineer Lannon turned in his report and added that he will be updating the schedule for the project.

GHD has completed the balance of the topographic survey

GHD staff and Todd performed a site walk on August 24

Base mapping is underway and design will commence following completion.

It will be necessary to reallocate some of our engineering budget from construction to design due to the number of project iterations that have occurred.

GRANT WRITER: Absent

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Building Inspector Stevens turned his report in. Building Inspector Stevens added that he has a resolution to the property maintenance issue via the Courts. Building Inspector Stevens also noted a Canadian developer called regarding the Cold Storage area and was directed to contact the Board. Report:

We have had 7 building permit applications last month (1) court date (property maintenance) Wednesday 8/7/2022. I will notify the board of the outcome on Thursday.

ATTORNEY: The following is my September report 3rd Street property:

A request has been made to the Village that we abandon a 66 foot right of way on the North side of property owned by E&R Horizons on 3rd Street in the Village. In 1971 the then owner requested that the Village agree to take the right of way as a part of their development. While the Village Board approved it was never actually filed as a land record in Lockport. In the early 1980's the then owner asked the Planning Board to release the right of way and they agreed. It does not appear it ever made it to the Village Board for approval. The current owner has now asked that we abandon the right of way. I believe the right of way does not serve any

Village purpose and if the owner wants us to abandon it, I believe it is in the Village's interest to do so.

CLERKS OFFICE: The auditors have received the State report needed to prepare the AUD, and we are working to catch up the reconciliations for the fiscal year. Water reads will be completed by the end of the month for October water billings. We coordinated and worked on the parade, which was unfortunately cancelled due to weather.

RECREATION: September 2022 **Falkner Park:** Programs ended. **Vets:** Programs ended.

Frisbee golf family clinic planned for September 16th 6:30-8:00

Potential Kickball Family Night after Disc Golf

Potential Kids tournament on a Saturday for Disc Golf

Fall/Winter

Waiting for staff school schedule to pick out the 3 days that we will be open....

Looking like MWF with Friday being High School Open gym

September 12th opening (depending on days we chose)

Toddler Time approx. that first week

With no further reports, Mayor Reisman moved on to the agenda items.

AGENDA:

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter received from Michael Hrywnak, Swain Road, to the Board of Trustees regarding the proposed path for the Greenway Bike Trail, noting concerns of the path along Swain Road.

So noted. Mayor Reisman noted that he returned Mr. Hrywnak's email advising the trail will not be routed down Swain Road.

ABSTRACT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS:

Approval of the Abstract of Audited Vouchers for the period from August 12-September 8, 2022 in the amount of \$170,206.38.

General:\$148,411.22

Water: \$ 145.00

Sewer: \$ 18,650.16

Trust: \$ 3,000.00

Total \$170,206.38

Motion to approve the abstract of audited vouchers was made by Trustee Stella, seconded by Deputy Mayor Heath. All in favor, motion was carried.

ITEMS:

Set date for Christmas in the Village – Saturday December 10, 2022; event from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Appoint Trustees as coordinators for event.

Motion to approve December 10, 2022 as Christmas in the Village was made by Deputy Mayor Heath, seconded by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion was carried.

Set trick or treating hours for Halloween, Monday October 31, 2022 from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Motion to approve trick or treating hours from 4:00p.m-7:00 p.m. on October 31, 2022 was made by Trustee Stella, seconded by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion was carried.

BUILDING USE:

Request from Be OK LLC, Bobbi Stokes to use the space in the park area on Water Street next to the Yacht Club on Monday and Thursday's now through October from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for Yoga. Insurance has been received. Ms. Stokes has asked if the power can be turned on in that area and that she would donate proceeds each week to the Village for use of the space.

Motion to approve the use as noted through the end of October was made by Trustee Stella, seconded by Trustee Stevens. Mayor Reisman added he will speak to Superintendent Muller regarding the power. All in favor, motion was carried.

Request from the Youngstown-Porter Christmas Basket Committee to use the gym from Sunday December 11 through Saturday December 17, 2022 for collection and coordination of the annual Christmas Basket program. Trustee will need to be designated for opening and closing of the building on Sunday (12/11) and the following Saturday (12/17).

Motion to approve the use as noted was made by Deputy Mayor Heath, seconded by Trustee Stella. Trustee Stella and Trustee Stevens volunteered to handle the opening and closing of the building. All in favor, motion was carried.

APPROVAL:

Tax map #45.18-4-50.2, vacant lot Third Street. Request for the Village of Youngstown to abandon a 66 foot right of way on vacant land on Third Street. The abandonment will be by deed relinquishing a right of way established in 1971 but never put to use.

Motion to approve the abandonment of the 66 foot right of way for tax map 45.18-4-50.2 was made by Deputy Mayor Heath, seconded by Trustee Stella. Attorney Caserta noted that the deed is prepared for Mayor Reisman to accomplish this. All in favor, motion was carried.

BOARD REPORTS:

Trustee Stella reported that the jazz festival was a success and there is an upcoming YBPA meeting.

Trustee Stevens reported that she will be meeting with new Library president Karran Swayze and Librarian Sonora Miller to discuss events and services. Trustee Stevens also reported that she attended a meeting on second amendment and the new gun laws. Local government representatives were in attendance. County Clerk Jazstremski advised if the Village wanted to put an event on regarding the new gun laws, he would be willing to come speak.

Mayor Reisman reported that Trustee Quarantillo has been excused from meeting through October as she is attending fire fighting training for the Youngstown Volunteer Fire Company. Mayor Reisman confirmed the Greenway bike path will not be routed down Swain Road and we will continue to work on the path with a meeting scheduled in the future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next Village Work Session will be September 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The next Village Board meeting will be October 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The Board will enter into Executive session immediately following the regular meeting for litigation matters.

So noted.

With no further business, motion to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into Executive session was made at 7:28 p.m. by Trustee Stevens, seconded by Trustee Stella. All in favor, motion was carried.

Motion to adjourn Executive session and enter into regular was made at 7:55 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Heath, seconded by Trustee Stevens. All in favor, motion was carried.

Motion to adjourn the regular session was made by Deputy Mayor Heath, seconded by Trustee Stella at 7:56 p.m. All in favor, motion was carried.