

Minutes of the Sept. 5, 2024 Bearcreek Council Meeting

Mayor Surwill called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 5, 2024. All council members were present as was Rob Surwill, animal control officer; Loni Hanson, zoning administrator; and Dean Webb, public works director. Public in attendance was John Coutu.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Harold moved to accept the minutes, the financial report, and the budge vs. actual report. Betty seconded said motion which passed 4-0.

Claims were presented for payment and approved with a motion by Betty, seconded by Harold which passed 4-0.

There was no correspondence.

There were no public comments.

Dept. Head Reports – Rob reported that he still had 5 delinquent animal owners. He had paid them another visit Wed. evening, reminding them that if they didn't comply, a ticket would be issued. Judge Nichols had set the court date for Oct. 9. Rob advised all else was going well. Under zoning Loni reported that Shanks had obtained a permit for their other small home; the Board of Adjustment approved Ed Marquette's variance for the front setback; Dawna and Rich were working on their home; and she had other inquiries about zoning permits. Dean advised that he had repaired the cemetery gate and that there was another leak in the water system that would need to be repaired.

There were no council concerns.

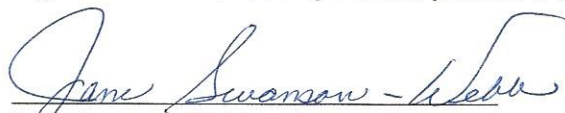
The representative from Interstate Engineering didn't attend therefore there was no unfinished business.

New business: (1) The Non-Discriminatory Resolution was reviewed. Betty moved to accept the Resolution. Paul seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (2) The cleaning bid from Lacy Hanson was given to each council member to review. Only one bid had been received. Harold moved to accept Lacy's bid for the janitorial services to begin Oct. 1, 2024 at \$50.00 per month. The motion seconded by Paul passed 4-0. (3) The Mayor requested permission to be absent from the Oct. meeting and have the chairperson conduct the meeting. Danell advised she would be gone at the same time, therefore a discussion ensued to change the Oct. meeting date. A motion was made by Paul to change the meeting date to Wednesday, Oct. 2nd. Danell seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.

Clerk's items: (1) The window for the outer front door had been repaired with safety glass and is ready for installation when weather demands. (2) The clerk advised that Rural Development was facilitating bi-weekly meetings with the engineers and the Town to monitor the engineer's progress on the \$928,000.00 grant. If any council members would like to attend, they are on zoom, normally Tuesdays 10-11 a.m. in the Town Hall. The one next week has been changed to Wed., Sept. 11th. (3) The hall will be in use on the weekend of Sept. 20-21st for a wedding.

With no further business Harold moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Danell, passed 4-0.


Debbie Surwill, Mayor


Jane Swanson-Webb, Clerk