

Village of Gaines
Regular Council Meeting
September 14, 2022

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Interim President Pro Tempore Diane Nowak at the Village of Gaines Office, 113 Genesee Street at 7:00 p.m. with a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Valerie DeLauter, Wayne McGuire, Diane Nowak, Donald Sitko, and Clerk Vicky Sandlin
Absent: Carol Erickson, Deborah Stiff, President Samuel Stiff and Treasurer Renee Dugas

Audience Comments

- Connie Green / Clinton St
Addressed comments made regarding golf carts during last month's Regular Council Meeting.

Approval of Minutes

- A. Regular Council Meeting (August 10, 2022)
Motion DeLauter, second McGuire to approve July 13, 2022 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.
Unanimous Voice Vote: All Ayes - ***Motion declared carried***

Treasurer Report

- A. Bank Balance - \$644,586.35; Investment Balance - \$250,397. Report on file.

Approval of The Bills

Motion McGuire, second Sitko to approve bills as presented.
Roll Call: Ayes – DeLauter, McGuire, Nowak, Sitko
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***

DPW Report

Report on file

McGuire shared the following:

- Dirt removed from vacant lot is at the DPW garage and is available for residents.

Fire Board Report

Report received from Gaines Township Fire Chief Joseph Hyrman prior to meeting and on file.

Building Inspector Report

Building Inspector Marty Johnson was unable to attend, and did not submit a Village of Gaines Permit List since the Village had no permits.

President's Report

President Stiff was unable to attend and did not submit a report.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- A. Street Closure for Lions Club Street Dance, September 17, 2022
Prior to the meeting the Lions' Club had submitted their proof of insurance, the Release of Liability form, and obtained the support of the local businesses.
Motion McGuire, second Sitko to approve closure of Genesee Street from Walker Street to Lansing Street for the Lions Club Street Dance on Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 6:00pm to 11:00pm.
Roll Call: Ayes – DeLauter, McGuire, Nowak, Sitko
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- B. 5K Color Run For Gaines Elementary
5K Color Run For Gaines Elementary will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 10am at Pine Hill Park.

- C. DPW Furnace
Motion Sitko, *second* McGuire to table DPW Furnace until next month to gather additional information.
Roll Call: Ayes – DeLauter, McGuire, Nowak, Sitko
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- D. Office Lights
Motion DeLauter, *second* McGuire to accept the quote from Christian Shepard in the amount of \$3,500 to replace the Village Hall office lights (and dispose of old lights).
Roll Call: Ayes – DeLauter, McGuire, Nowak, Sitko
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- E. Lord House Cleaning
Motion McGuire, *second* Sitko to accept the quote from Above & Beyond Cleaning in the amount of \$80/2 hour block to clean 106 East Lord Street (including basement if time permits).
Roll Call: Ayes – DeLauter, McGuire, Nowak, Sitko
Nays - None. ***Motion declared carried***
- F. Office Water Tank
Water tank in Village Hall had to be replaced. The old tank began “humming” and shaking, pump was not shutting off, and water was very foul smelling. We contacted five (5) different companies and the only one that would come out that day was Ken Lee Well Drilling. They replaced the old eight (8) gallon tank that would refill after just two (2) gallons and replaced it with a thirty-five (35) gallon tank that refills after twelve (12) gallons. They installed the tank and replace plastic fittings that were denigrating and filling pipes with smelly black gunk. The tank, fittings, installation, and emergency service call was \$1,600.00.

Communications

- Water & Waste Meeting – Meeting canceled.
- Small Cities/Villages Meeting – Village hosted this meeting in the hall Wednesday, September 7, 2022. It was observed that Genesee County is unique in having meeting of city & village leadership. Montrose is assisting DeLauter with the electric charging station the Village is considering installing.
- Gaines Township Meeting – President Stiff was unable to attend.
- TAC Meeting – Canceled

Council Concerns

- Chris Gaines (husband is a member of the Baron’s) pulled weeds, put fresh mulch down, and spruced up Veteran’s Park. Barb Ferris gave assistance and gave money toward the mulch.
- Concerns with the house at the corner of Genesee Street and Clinton Street: repairs will begin soon. Also, concerns over the house at the corner of Elm Street and Walker Street: it is believed the owner may be planning on having house torn down.

Adjournment

Motion McGuire, *second* DeLauter to adjourn at 7:39 p.m.
Unanimous Voice Vote: All Ayes - ***Motion declared carried***

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicky Sandlin, Clerk