

MINUTES
Village of Evendale
Regular Council Meeting
July 11, 2023

The Village of Evendale Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Richard Finan at 7:00 pm.

Roll call- The following council members were present: Mayor Richard Finan, Council Members: Mr. Albrinck, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Sextro, Mr. Berke, Mr. Puthoff and Ms. Smiley-Robertson. Also present: Village CFO Cynthia Caracci, Village Law Director Kathy Ryan, Police Chief Tim Holloway, Fire Chief Mike Hauck, Recreation Director Adam Knight, Service Department Director James Jeffers, Dave Elmer and Village Clerk, Barb Rohs.

Ginna Stanko, Cincinnati Public Library- Sharonville Library, and Eva Jane Romaine Coombe Library Director Paula Brehm-Heeger presented to council the facility master plan. 60% of funding comes from the State of Ohio. There are 41 locations and several are over 100 years old. There is a 10-year facility plan regarding updating buildings with accessibility as the primary driver. The Sharonville branch will have a “refresh” in the fall. The library renewal levies for improvements and refreshing the locations. The library board is looking at funding structures. The Cincinnati Public Library has no debt and only build with funding dollars.

A motion to approved distributed minutes was made by Mr. Berke, seconded by Mr. Albrinck and approved.

Finance, Recreation, Service and GHF:

Mr. Albrinck reported the tax receipts for June totaled \$1,306,215 which was \$60,879 lower than tax receipts in June 2022. Overall year to date tax receipts total \$9,408,867 still exceeding year to date receipts at this time in 2022 by \$444,696 which is a positive trend for the Village. However, year to date revenues still exceed expenditures by \$2,529,225.

GHF has hired Katie Schoeny has joined GHF as Director of Education. Katie holds an MA in Education and has been a classroom and art teacher. Row by Row is August 26.

The recreation department is in the early stages of being converted over to a new software system with RecPro having been acquired.

Fun in the Sun has 210 registered.

The service department is working on the pads for the AED on the campus. Alta Fiber continues to install fiber throughout the village. The dead trees are being removed and being replaced.

The Pickle ball courts are almost completed.

Police, Fire, Building/Zoning and CAC:

Ms. Smiley Robertson reported the for the 4th of July event the fire and police reported no issues.

The fire department held captains and lieutenants’ promotions have been decided upon but will not be submitted via ordinance until retirement plans are official. All candidates were well qualified. Retirements are expected to occur within the next 6 months. Candidates on the hiring waiting list have been contacted and are interested in filling upcoming positions when they become available.

The fire department held the annual chili lunch and over 1000 chili lunches served. The CPR class is popular and starting up again and in high demand. Purchasing new bay doors from Overhead Door of Cincinnati

The police department reported the FLOCK policy is complete and will be distributed.

There is an extreme interest in the police department to go to 12-hour shift. Council would like to better understand the proposed scheduling process and changes needed to Chapter 258. There will be a joint council committee meeting in August and the Chief will present the 12-hour shift concept to Council.

The Cultural Arts Center's Program Manager interviews have been conducted and a part-time hire ordinance will be on the agenda for the August Council Meeting.

Big Art Party is Friday, August 4, 2023, from 6 – 8 pm. Register at the Rec Center Front Desk. Cincinnati LAB Theater New Works Festival will be at the BTAP Theater the last two weekends in July.

Building, Planning and Zoning reported the General Took meeting before Planning Commission has been rescheduled. Twenty-eight applications were received and reviewed in June.

Fifteen permits were issued in June with a construction value of \$61,885.00 resulting in revenue of \$757.22.

Presentation of ordinances:

The mayor presented ORD #23-40 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS DUE UPON CERTAIN CONTRACTS REQUIRING CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion to read ORD #23-40 by title only was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Ms. McDaniel and approved on roll call. A motion to suspend the third readings of ORD #23-40 was made by Mr. Berke, , seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved on roll call. A motion to agree to the emergency section is made by Mr. Sextro, seconded by Mr. Puthoff and approved on roll call A motion to adopt ORD #23-40 was made by Mr. Berke, seconded by Mr. Albrinck and approved on roll call. Mayor Finan declared ORD #23-40 adopted.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mr. Puthoff, seconded by Mr. Sextro and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20.

Mayor

Attest:

Village Clerk