

Borough of Gordon
Council Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held Monday, December 5, 2022. Council President Jeff Hoffman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Cathy Moyer held roll call. Council members Richard Korn, Tracy Hughes, and Shannon Dumboski were present providing a quorum. Mayor George Brocious, Solicitor Christopher Reidlinger, Operations Manager George Troutman, and Secretary Cathy Moyer were also in attendance with one member of the public present. Council Member, Anthony Loftus was not present.

Public Comment: Leo Rauber questioned whether the Borough ever considered buying 910 McKnight Street for access.

Minutes: Minutes from the November 7, 2022 monthly meeting were presented.

A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes of November 7, 2022 monthly meeting.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Richard Korn

Treasurer Report: Secretary Cathy Moyer gave the financial report for the month of November. The Borough received an income of \$16,322.04 and had expenses of \$15,222.86. The General Fund had a month end balance of \$82,565.61 and the Motor Licensing Fund had a month end balance of \$33,611.12.

A motion was made to accept Resolution 2022-02 appointing Sam Deegan and Deegan Corporation as the auditor for 2022 financial year.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Tracy Hughes

A motion was made to advertise the Proposed 2023 Budget.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report of November as presented.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

Payment of Invoices: A motion was made to pay the invoices for December.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

Solicitor's Report:

Garbage Rate: The Solicitor reported that while he had no response to his email that he sent after the September meeting to Jonas, he did get a response to his November 8th email. Also, information is now posted on the Borough website informing the public of the situation.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2022-03 setting the millage for 2023 at 9.5 mills which reflects no increase.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Mayor's Report:

Police Report: None

Fire Company: Mayor George Brocius gave the Secretary two corrections to the minutes for November. The new fire truck will be coming from Minnesota, not Missouri and the amount of the FEMA grant is \$184,992.00. both corrections were noted. Also, the cost of the truck will be \$277,861.00.

Code Enforcement Report:

1. Approval of Wages: The Code Enforcement officer submitted a request for payment in the amount of \$280.00 for 8 hours in the month of November.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Tracy Hughes

2. Update: The Code Enforcement Officer presented the Council with two citations for 620 McKnight Street and gave updates on the properties he is currently working on.

Operations Manager Report:

Mr. Troutman reported that he is currently researching how to get an address for a property on Ridge Lane. Mayor George Brocius thought it was the responsibility of the Borough to assign an address.

Update on Streambank Project: Mr. Troutman informed Council that there will be a preconstruction meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

Mr. Arthur Sholley is looking to have an extra parking space for a handicap ramp for his wheelchair. He will have to update his handicap parking application to reflect the use of a wheelchair.

Mr. Troutman reported that he has been cutting down trees and there is a pile of firewood at the Borough building if anyone wants some.

Update on park Project: Mr. Troutman requested approval to purchase two telephone poles for running the electricity at the park at a cost of \$300.00 each, \$600.00 total. A motion was made to purchase two poles at a cost of \$600.00.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

Old Business: It was questioned as to whether we received a formal letter of resignation from Anthony Loftus.

Vice-President Tracy Hughes brought up that she would like to have an inventory of tools that we have to avoid purchasing duplicates. She offered to help do the inventory. Mr. Troutman agreed to do an inventory.

New Business:

A motion was made to advertise the 2023 meeting dates as presented. It was noted that while most meetings will be on the first Monday of the month, the January meeting will be on the 9th and the September meeting on the 11th due to holidays on the first Monday of those months.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

A motion was made to adopt the schedule for the 2023 Office Holidays as presented.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Richard Korn

A motion was made to approve a donation of \$50.00 to the Ashland Public Library.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

The next meeting will be held on January 9, 2023.

*All motions unanimous unless noted.

Attest: _____ Cathy Moyer, Secretary /Treasurer January 9, 2023

