

Hopkins Village Council Regular Council Meeting
Monday Nov 13th, 2023

President VanderWall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call Kennedy, Vander Wall, Alberda, Osborn, Mullett, Buist, Adams, Sebright
ABSENT Williams, **Guests-** Jon Stafford, Eric Alberda, Scott Beltman

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Buist moved, Adams supported, CARRIED, to approve the agenda of Nov 13th, 2023, with the additions of Budget Amendments.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Buist moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED to approve the minutes of Oct 9th, 2023, regular meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Sebright moved, Mullett supported, CARRIED to approve the bills from Oct 10thth2023 to Nov 13th, 2023.

4. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Adams moved, Buist supported CARRIED to approve the Oct 2023 financial report.

5. REPORTS

Library- Adams reported the library will be renovated and closed for five weeks.

Planning Commission – VanderWall reported that a Jan hearing will take place.

Fire Board- Osborn reported cadet program is in progress.

DDA- Buist reported they are getting ready for the Christmas Program Dec 9th.

6. Public Comment-None

Old Business

A. Animal Control Ordinance Update

The lawyers are working on the ordinance.

B. Town Hall Update

A meeting will be coming up on the progress of the hall later in the week.

C. Roof Damage Insurance Update

The roofers are finishing up on the DPW roof. This will complete their work.

D. Hopkins Police Gun

President VanderWall sold the police gun to Centershot for \$20.00.

E. Blight Letters Update

PCI will be following up on six addresses still with blight issues.

7. Maintenance Report

Jon Stafford gave his maintenance report. Report has been filed.

8. Public Comment

None

NEW BUSINESS –

A. Franklin One Way Discussion

Adams moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED a motion of intent to make Franklin St. a one-way street.

B. Village Hall Table & Office Space

Buist moved, Mullett supported, CARRIED to sell the large table at the village hall for \$200.00.

C. Crosswalk Lighting

Resident Jim Davis asked about crosswalk lighting. President VanderWall will be following up on this.

D. Election Results

The milage on the November ballot for the Village of Hopkins passed.

E. Sewer Pond

Work will be done on the sewer pond washout problem. Waiting for the estimate.

F. Variance Hearing

A variance hearing will be held on Monday Nov 20th.

G. Budget Questions

There were no budget questions at this time from the council.

H. Christmas Party

The annual council Christmas Party will be held after the Dec meeting with the township board.

I. Budget Amendments

Clerk Alberda provided budget amendments for 2023 to the council. See attachment to minutes. **Buist moved, Adams supported, CARRIED to approve the budget amendments presented by Clerk Alberda.**

J. Senior Sewer Rate

Adams moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED to approve David Hyatt for the senior citizens sewer rate.

Around the table

Time was given for the council to make comments.

ADJOURNMENT.

Adams moved, Osborn supported, CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 pm.