

Ashley Village Council Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2023

The regular council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Ann Paksi.

Roll call was taken with, Ann Paksi, Mike Turner, Doug Schneider, Dave Foote, David Kimball, Michelle Fitzpatrick-Clerk/Treasurer, Paul Beck-DPW Supervisor. Absent: Kristin Mills, Robert Studt.

Visitors: Country Christmas Representatives: Kurt Weaver, Donald Smith, Peggy Roth, Jane Unterbrink, Carol Stewart, Linda Shepherd – Broker from Pinnacle Realty.

After review and discussion **M. Turner** made a motion to approve the 01/12/2023 agenda. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion carried.

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** made a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2022 as presented. Supported by **M. Turner**. Motion carried.

After review and discussion **M. Turner** made a motion to approve the check register December 9, 2022 – January 12, 2023 **D. Kimball**, Supported Motion carried.

Old Business:

Paksi property reviewed and discussed, M. Turner to contact Tingley Surveying company.

After review and discussion regarding outdoor wood burner is tabled for further discussion.

Clerk/Treasurer Fitzpatrick gave information on a Grant for Economic Development Road Projects opportunity.

Clerk/Treasurer Fitzpatrick updated council on Blight property from Gratiot County Administrator.

New Business:

After review and discussion **D. Kimball** motioned to allow permission for Ashley Country Christmas to pursue looking into becoming a 501C3 non-profit organization.. Supported by **D. Foote**. Motion Carried.
M. Turner Abstained.

After review and discussion **D. Foote** motioned to allow Country Christmas to spend up to \$1500 to fix ceiling on the Remenar building. Supported by **D. Kimball**. Motion Carried.

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** motioned to allow brokerage company Pinnacle Realty to draw up a contract for advertising and marketing Quarterline/Cleveland Rd property for sale. Supported by **M. Turner**. Motion Carried.

Possibility that the Dollar General is showing interest again was reviewed and discussed.

After review and discussion **D. Foote** made motion to allow Ashley Area Fire Authority to repair/improve fire house building by replacing beams. Supported by **M. Turner**. Motion Carried.

Seasonal and Lawn care for 2023 season was reviewed and discussed.

After review and discussion council requested to start accepting bids for Solid Waste Removal.

D. Kimball motioned to adjourn regular council meeting at 9:07pm. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion Carried.

Ann Paksi, Village President

Michelle Fitzpatrick, Village Clerk