

Ashley Village Council Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2022

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

Roll call was taken with Ann Paksi, Dave Foote, Mike Turner, Doug Schneider, Matt Brzak, Kristin Mills, Robert Studt, Michelle Fitzpatrick-Clerk/Treasurer

Visitors: Carol Steward and Ed Pingle.

Visitor Carol Stewart gave an overview of the happenings with Country Christmas.

Visitor Ed Pingel approached council with the idea of bringing AA meetings to the village and asked of the possibility of using the community center and/or the Pavilion to hold the meetings. After review and discussion council approved the use of those building if after he checks with a few churches in town as well.

After review and discussion **R. Studt** made a motion to approve the 09/08/2022 amended agenda, adding Paksi property, outdoor woodburner, Engineering for Quarterline property, EGLE and Country Christmas. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion carried.

After review and discussion **M. Turner** made a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2022 as presented. Supported by **K. Mills**. Motion carried.

After review and discussion **R. Studt** made a motion to approve the check register August 12, 2022 – September 8, 2022 **D. Schneider**, Supported Motion carried.

Old Business:

After review and discussion **R. Studt** motion to move forward with the purchase of the Paksi property to extend the Village park. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion Carried.

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

After review and discussion **M. Turner** motioned to allow President Paksi to accept the best qualifying bid for the water and sewer project. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion Carried.

New Business:

After review and discussion **M. Turner** motioned to allow Country Christmas the use of the lot between the property 41-100-112-00 Lots 112 & 113 with restrictions. Supported by **R. Studt**. Motion Carried.

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** motioned to allow Country Christmas up to \$10,000 to spend for a car port addition. Supported by **D. Foote**. Motion Carried.

FYE 2022 Audit reviewed and discussed.

Clerk/Treasurer Fitzpatrick informed council that Attorney Anthony Costanzo is retiring at the end of 2022 and explained that he has sold firm to a firm out of Saginaw called Smith, Bowville. After review and discussion council stated that they would remain with Mr. Costanzo's affiliate firm until further notice.

Clerk/Treasurer Fitzpatrick presented the fraud protection system that Mercantile bank is offering. After review and discussion council decided to forego this offer at this time.

Clerk/Treasurer Fitzpatrick presented the Winn telecom Right of Way permit Metro Act application.

Operator in Charge R. Studt reviewed the inspection for Water/Sewer from EGLE. EGLE has changed the Cross Connection requirements from only Commercial properties to all properties with water service too it.

D. Schneider motioned to adjourn regular council meeting at 8:47pm. Supported by **K. Mills**. Motion Carried.

Ann Paksi, Village President

Michelle Fitzpatrick, Village Clerk