

Village of Shawnee Hills Council Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2022

Pro Tem Thatcher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council in Attendance: Mary Gates, Kathy Isern, Renee Matney, Robert Thatcher and Todd Zimmerman

Absent: Mayor Mathews and Justin LaRosa

Also Present: Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski, Administrator Russell Baron and Solicitor Brian Zets

Minutes

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Matney to approve the minutes of January 24, 2022 with the following amendment: on page two, fifth line from the bottom, remove the comma after the first word look. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

Agenda

It was moved by Isern, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the agenda. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

Solicitor

Brian said one of the things I have been working on since the last meeting are issues related to and legislation for the vacating of E. Eileen Drive unimproved right-of-way. The Village received a petition a while ago and then a notice had to be sent out and will be on the next agenda.

Substitute House Bill 51 had a part that would be of interest to the village. This is the extension of the idea that public meetings could be virtual and you could all attend them virtually. This extension is only until June 30. This bill is awaiting the governor's signature.

Village Administrator

Russ gave the following report:

There is still no formal proposal for the Drake property. There has been some talk back and forth but they haven't brought us anything yet. When we do get something, we will make sure we get it out to everybody.

Osage Meadows will be going to P & Z this month for their final review.

Nothing new from Equity regarding off-site improvements. The traffic plans are almost approved. Chris expects them to be signed off by the end of this week. It looks like they are starting some of their drainage work.

Ohio Groundskeeping – We have stayed in close communication with them. They are not holding up their end of the bargain. They haven't done much over the last three months. Mark

has started the enforcement process. They purchased the property next door and we can see the window has been boarded up for about two months. They assured us it was going to be fixed rather quickly. This is a blight issue. Mark is starting that communication process and possibly the enforcement process.

Council member Zimmerman asked if that house was zoned commercial or residential.

Pro Tem Thatcher said I believe it is commercial. Everything along Dublin Road is commercial.

Russ said that house historically hasn't looked great and Ohio Groundskeeping managed to make it look worse.

Russ said he will be meeting with the new property owner of Shawnee Square soon. Mark is gathering a list of existing code violations we hope to get addressed through either Bill Trembly or the new property owner.

We are looking at the possibility of purchasing a new mower. Our current mower is fifteen years old and we purchased it used. It is not made for what we are using it for. It is made for mowing cemeteries, flat ground. We are causing more damage and it is not looking as nice as it should after Richard mows.

I met with the Fire Department today and we discussed fire hydrants. With the PUDs coming in and the commercial growth, we have an opportunity that we don't want to pass us by, to add some fire hydrants. The fire hydrants are all on the east side of Dublin Road so if there is an issue across the street we have to shut down Dublin Road. The recommendation from the fire department is to add some fire hydrants on the west side of Dublin Road and we may have to upsize some water lines.

Paving – As it warms up we will address what needs attention. With so much construction going on our engineer agreed that we will only address urgent needs this year. Probably do some crack sealing and spot repairs. A lot of our side streets do not have stop bars. We get a lot of complaints from residents of cars cutting it too wide or the near misses at the intersections. Putting the stop bars where they are supposed to stop may avoid some of those issues.

Committees

Pro Tem Thatcher said UST met tonight and Russ covered the salient points for that.

Legislative Actions

Second Reading – Ordinance 02-2022 – An Ordinance amending Section 1519.04(B) (Fireworks – Possession, Sale or Discharge Prohibited; Exceptions) of the Village of Shawnee Hills
Codified Ordinances

First Reading – Ordinance 04-2022 – An Ordinance confirming the Mayor's appointment of Zachary Gerdeman as a full-time Police Officer for the Village of Shawnee Hills and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Isern to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Ordinance 04-2022 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

It was moved by Matney, seconded by Zimmerman to adopt Ordinance 04-2022 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

First Reading – Ordinance 05-2022 – An Ordinance to increase the credit card limit for the Chief of Police for the Village of Shawnee Hills

First Reading – Ordinance 06-2022 – An Ordinance to amend Section 921.03(A)(Potable Water User Charges) and 921.03(B)(Well Water User Charges) and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Ordinance 06-2022 an emergency.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Isern to adopt Ordinance 06-2022 as an emergency.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

First Reading – Resolution 02-2022 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Administrator Russell Baron and declaring an emergency.

Council member Matney asked that this go to a second reading.

Bills

It was moved by Matney, seconded by Isern to approve the bills in the amount of \$114,432.38.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the following treasurer’s report:

General	163,306.19	Weed	3,157.30
Street	368,001.19	TIF	58,580.57
State Highway	24,687.15	TIF 2	17,366.65
PD Body Armor	810.52	Police District Fund	142,298.79
Drug Law Enfct.	534.41	Veteran’s Memorial	248.97
Indigent Driver	385.84	Sewer Operating	5,302.21
Law Enfct. Trust	6,840.72	Sewer Replacement	13,211.08
Enfct. and Education	1,245.85	Storm Sewer	8,538.50
Fire Levy	74,992.20	Debt Service	96,155.51
American Rescue Plan	20,127.29		

For a total of \$1,001,813.71

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Motion passed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Isern, seconded by Zimmerman to adjourn. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor