

Village of Beech Bottom

Council Meeting

February 18,2025 7:00PM

Preliminaries:

Pledge to the flag

Order/Roll Call

Mayor Becky Uhly called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

Present:

Mayor Becky Uhly, Vice Mayor Greg Sheperd, Don Hubbard, Bob Sadler, Sharon Jordan, Bruce Hunter, Matt Chapman, Jerry Haddon, and Joyce Painter Recorder.

Absent: None

Visitors: None

Minutes of previous meeting:

The council reviewed minutes, Sharon Jordan made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, no objections motion carried.

Correspondence:

The council received a thank you from the Isabelle Painter family for the windchimes for the funeral. Mayor Uhly was informed by the DOH that the Fort sign was sent to Kentucky and was accidently broken and a new sign will have to be made.

Mayor Uhly has a meeting on March 17,2025 with Oglebay and the Ohio County Extension Office to discuss the replanting of trees in the village all are welcome to attend.

A lady reached out to the mayor inquiring about land to build businesses on, she referred them to the BDC.

Mayor Uhly received a proposal from Mark Jordan for the village to purchase his two lots that have existing garages on them. The mayor distributed pictures of the property which is located beside the villages vacant lot on Highland Avenue. Bruce Hunter and Jerry Haddon will look at the garages before the next meeting.

Chief Arthurs corresponded with the McCoys concerning the garages on Hill Street and negotiated a price of \$800.00 for the property.

Mayor's Report: Attached

Bill Review

Bob Sadler reviewed the bills and bank statements to submit to the council for payment. Bob Sadler made a motion to pay the current bills, no objections motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Don Hubbard presented the treasures report to the council. Sharon Jordan made a motion to accept the treasures report, no objections motion carried.

Police Report: Attached

Water Board Report: Attached

Maintenance Report Attached.

Unfinished Business:**Consider Water Line Extension:**

Mayor Uhly held a ZOOM meeting with Elani Knight and Ben Erste. They received an email response that the grant was going through.

Consider Stairs for the Village – Jerry will contact contractor and set up a meeting at the village office.

Consider Ordinance 41 Second Reading:

The council reviewed the ordinance, Don Hubbard made a motion to accept the second reading, no objections carried.

Social:

Sharon Jordan reminded council that “Make it Shine “is scheduled for April 5,2025. Mayor Uhly informed the council that Jamie Henderson was interested in organizing the Fall Festival event on September 20,2025. The festival is scheduled on the 20th starting at 12:00PM until 6:00PM. Greg Sheperd made a motion to allow Jamie Henderson to organize the event, no objections motion carried.

Playgrounds: No report

Streetlights:

Sharon Jordan reported that there are twelve lights she has reported multiple times to the electric company and that she has tagged them. Sharon also reported an additional three lights today.

Streets:

Mayor Uhly researched Private Drive and Carolina Avenue and questioned whether there even is a Private Drive according to the available maps. Discussing the possibilities of ownership, Greg

Sheperd made a motion to have Carolina Avenue surveyed, no objections motion carried.
Mayor Uhly will contact the surveyor.

New Business:

Consider Report from the Finance Committee:

Don Hubbard reported that the committee reviewed the bills and bank statements to present to the council for approval.

Consider Purchasing Three PCs for the Office.

Greg Sheperd made the motion to purchase and install three new pcs for the village office, no objections motion carried.

Consider Amendment to Ordinance 20:

Ordinance 20 must include all village employees pay scale and will be tabled until April's agenda.

Consider expenditures for FY 2026

The council needs to review projected projects to include in the proposed 2026 budget.

Consider Wish List:

The following suggested projects were discussed for 2026:

Rebuild the monument in front of the office, rebuild curbs in village, purchase a dump truck, plant trees in the village including Hill Street playground, buy a sculpture for the circle area, obtain land from the BDC to attract retailers to the village and additional garage on Highland.

Adjournment:

Sharon Jordan made a motion to adjourn at 8:38PM

Minutes presented by Joyce Painter Recorder_____

Approved by Mayor Uhly_____