

**Village of Ripley
Regular Council Meeting
July 11, 2023, at 6:30pm**

The Village of Ripley's Council met on July 11, 2023, at the Community Building for a regular council meeting. Present were Council Members Charles Poole, Howard McClain, Scott Eagan, Alvin Wallace, Tiffany Regenstein, and Nicole Hedges. Mayor Nowana Bingaman, Village Administrator Wayne Gates, Fiscal Officer Amber Ackley, and Solicitor Nick Owens were also in attendance.

Madam Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, with Mrs. Regenstein offering prayer.

Curt Spiller is here to talk about the Ripley Boat Club and its lease. See exhibit "A"

Mr. Eagan asks Mr. Owen to research options for the Boat Club lease and get back with them.

Mr. Eagan makes a motion to approve the June 14th and June 27th council meeting minutes with corrections.

Mr. Wallace seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all voted yes. Motion carries.

Brown County Rural Water is here with an update on the financial situation between them and the Village of Ripley. Dan Sarbach, BCRW attorney Sean McCarter, and Fiscal Officer Amber Ackley step out to discuss the final numbers that will be added to the promissory note. Promissory note was updated and presented to council. See exhibit "B"

Mr. McClain made a motion to accept the promissory note presented to the council from BCRW.

Mrs. Regenstein seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all voted yes. Motion carries.

Mrs. Regenstein made a motion to allow Fiscal Officer Amber Ackley to present BCRW with a check for \$583,876.70 by 7-21-2023.

Mr. McClain seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all voted yes. Motion carries.

There will be a Buildings and Land committee meeting on July 25th at 5:30pm.

Madam Mayor would like council to accept the appointment of Richie Brown as a part-time officer to the Ripley Police Department.

Mr. Poole makes a motion to accept Madam Mayors appointment to hire Richie Brown as a part-time officer to the Ripley Police Department.

Mr. McClain seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all voted yes. Motion carries.

Mr. Eagan offers the first reading of Ordinance #1378. AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE REGISTRATION OF VACANT COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS IN THE VILLAGE OF RIPLEY.

Mr. Eagan stated that the Finance Committee met and that the Village finances are on track and there are no concerns at this time.

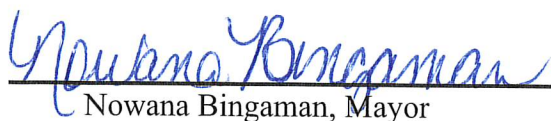
Mr. Eagan makes a motion to enter EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 121.22(G)(1)(3). (1) TO CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, DISMISSAL, DISCIPLINE, PROMOTION, DEMOTION OR COMPENSATION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OR OFFICIAL. (3) TO DISCUSS WITH THE VILLAGE SOLICITOR LEGAL DISPUTES INVOLVING THE VILLAGE OF RIPLEY THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF PENDING OR IMMINENT COURT ACTION.

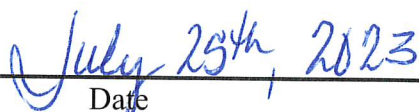
Mrs. Regenstein seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all voted yes. Motion carries.

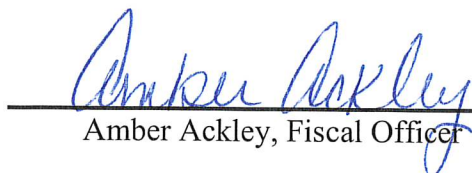
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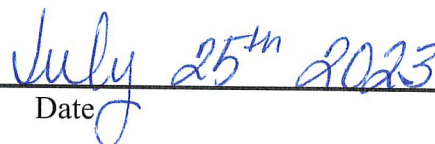
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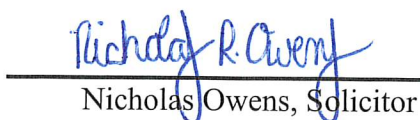
With no further business to come before the council, Mr. Eagan makes a motion to adjourn, with Mrs. Regenstein seconding the motion. Upon roll call, all voted yes. Motion carried and council adjourned at 9:33pm

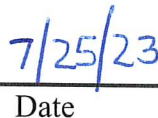

Nowana Bingaman, Mayor


Date


Amber Ackley, Fiscal Officer


Date


Nicholas Owens, Solicitor


Date