

## Committee (COTW) Meeting Minutes

**Public Safety, Parks, Building & Facilities, Cemetery, Refuse, Water Sewer,  
Streets Alleys, Finance, Economic Development and Personnel**

Monday July 17, 2023

*Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 P.M.      Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 P.M.*

ATTENDANCE		PRESENT	ABSENT & EXCUSED
Village President	Jason Beam	X	
Trustee	John Taylor	X	
Trustee	Karen Brandau		X
Trustee	Amanda Johnson		X
Trustee	Dan Galle	X	
Trustee	Sam Bennett	X	
Trustee	Ryan Franck	X	
Administrator	Steve Brown	X	
Administrative' Assistant	Connie Johnson	X	
Village Clerk.	Sarah Jern		X
Village Attorney	Attorney Jacobs		X
Audience	ESDA Director, Leonard Guild		X

**Public Comments:**

\* Bill Taylor was in attendance as a guest for the meeting.

**Public Safety:**

\*Discuss and reviewed Police report and Community Service officer report, ordinance issues are being addressed and resolved.

\*Updated information regarding the full-time officer position, Joshua Anderson has been assigned to Cambridge through the Henry County Sheriff Office. He will be attending the academy, and complete field training prior to filling the position in Cambridge. Currently we have adequate coverage using part-time officers.

\*Update on K-9 assignment, County has quoted a price of \$11.58 per hour for the use of their county car and K-9 dog while Officer Copeland is on duty for Cambridge.

\* Discussion 20<sup>th</sup> Rotary car show event request for August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Request to close area downtown streets for the car show. Bars will card patrons and armband them; alcohol will be allowed for outside carry in fenced in areas.

\*Discussion of street dance request on August 5<sup>th</sup> for the Combine, a section of Prospect St. will be closed off from 5-11 P.M. The area will be fenced in, alcohol will be allowed in the fenced in area.

\*Discussion of street closure request from John Taylor for music event on 8/16/2023, a section in front of the concert house located at 411 S. Road would be blocked to provide more room for patrons and for safety due to a larger amount of traffic.

\*Update on dangerous downtown buildings, Village Attorney will be proceeding with a letter to building owners Attorney to pursue violations as well as condemning the buildings due to timelines not being met per their stated remedies.

\*Update on violations at 308 E. Court St. A camper, 6 cars, and commercial lights have been removed following a letter being sent out with a 14-day timeline to clean up property. The time had passed. Also, additional cars were added, business work is occurring, and chickens have been added without adequate coop requirements. A Rooster and Quail have been added which are not permitted in the Village per ordinance. Discuss a meeting with the owner to review timelines to resolve the violations and discuss a fence in yard with a timeline as well.

**Parks:**

\*Discussion of Park projects, playground equipment will arrive soon. CSP lighting is still being researched. Hand Park pavilion and bathroom upgrades will begin soon. Dog Park signage and litter disposals will arrive soon and be setting up of the parks will begin. Fencing will be completed around the Volleyball court.

\*Discuss upgrades to Memorial Park in the future.

\*Discuss Metalico Band having a concert at the Band Shell September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, as well as visiting local schools in the area.

\*Discussion of CSP BYOB events on July 28, 2023, A trivia fundraiser will be held, and alcohol would be contained under pavilion area.

\*Discussion of CSP BYOB event September 16, 2023, Backyard BBQ and Beer event, this event will consist of a BBQ cookoff, golf cart scavenger hunt, cruise in, volleyball tournaments and bands.

\*Discussion of CSP BYOB event September 30, 2023, cruise in movie night, street closure will be discussed for cruise in cars, movie will be shown at dusk.

**Building and Facilities:**

\*Discussion of Landfill assessment, KPRG test results do not meet requirements to allow EPA closure of the landfill. Currently testing is 80 + parameters. Further discussion and updates will follow.

**Cemetery:**

\*No items to discuss

**Refuse:**

\*No items to discuss

**Water Sewer:**

\*No items to discuss

**Streets Alleys:**

\*Center Street resurface update; process will begin in a few weeks beginning with the grinding.

**Finance:**

\*Reviewed June 2023 finance report

\*Reviewed bills list

\*Discussion of Web site mood board, reviewed graphic designs, shapes and colors that would represent Cambridge using data gathered from CHS. A meeting is scheduled for August 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss further possibilities with the designer. Obtaining more photos of the Cambridge area could be beneficial to this project.

\*Discussion of new municipal aggregation contract for electricity, Rock River Energy is looking into pricing to present the village for electrical rates, that could be locked in. A resolution needs to be done with Rock River energy for continuation.

**Economic Development:**

\*No items to discuss

**Personnel:**

\*No items to discuss

  
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