

Poland Village Council

REGULAR SESSION

The Council of the Village of Poland Ohio met in
REGULAR SESSION at the Poland Village Town
Hall, 308 South Main Street, Poland, Ohio
44514-2082 on Tuesday, August 15, 2023

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The Council of the Village of Poland Ohio met in REGULAR SESSION at the Poland Village Town Hall, 308 South Main Street, Poland, Ohio 44514-2082 on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge Of Allegiance

1. Roll Call was taken with the following Members present:

- A. Mr. Christopher Graff, Member of Council
- B. Mr. Samuel Moffie, Member of Council
- C. Mr. Michael Zembower, Member of Council
- D. Mr. Michael Thompson, Absent
- E. Mr. James Walkama, Member of Council
- F. Mrs. Abbie Bosak, Member of Council
- G. Mr. Timothy Sicafuse, Mayor

Also present were: Mr. Robert Canter, Fiscal Officer
Mr. Jay Macejko, Solicitor
Don Lambert, Police Chief

A motion was made by **Mrs. Bosak** and seconded by **Mr. Zembower** to excuse Mr. Thompson from the meeting.

Vote:; Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Bosak, Zembower
Motion carries 5-0.

A motion was made by **Mr. Moffie** and seconded by **Mr. Zembower** to excuse Maureen O'Neil from the meeting.

Vote:; Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Bosak, Zembower
Motion carries 5-0.

2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting 6/20/23 and Special Meetings 7/25/23, 8/2/23, 8/7/23

A motion was made by **Mr. Moffie**, seconded by **Mrs. Bosak**
to accept the minutes of the previous meeting(s):

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3. Guest Presentations:

N/A

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

4. Report from the Mayor- Timothy Sicafuse-

Mayor Sicafuse mentions Street Department hirings which will be discussed as action item and that the Poland Village has met the August 15th deadline for sending Envirosience the invoice that will keep the connector project alive for the time being.

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to accept the Mayor's report.

Vote:; Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Bosak, Zembower
Motion carries 5-0.

5. Report from the Fiscal Officer- Robert Canter.

Mr. Canter has the bank reconciliations from June and July. He also has an invoice from Green River Forestry that is for the second half of the invasive species spraying. He is asking Council to approve the invoice in the amount of 2200.00.

He also received an invoice from American Legal Publishing which puts all of the Village Ordinances online. This is paid every year in the amount of 450.00.

An invoice was received from the Attorneys who worked on the Eminent Domain for the street lighting. It is for the amount of 273.50 and is the last payment. Atty. Macejko notes that the last payment crossed with an invoice and this is the final amount.

Mr. Canter states he received a request from Officer Tom Robison to carry over vacation time because he was not able to take his vacation due to short staffing.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Zembower to accept the Fiscal Officer's report.

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Motion carries 5-0

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6. Report from the Zoning Administrator Team -

N/A

7. Report from the solicitor- Jay Macejko -

Attorney Macejko reports that he has made some adjustments to the agreement with regard to the School Resource Officer. Now for some reason there is some trepidation on the part of the School Board. Atty. Macejko wants the Council to know that he followed through on their request.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Zembower to accept the Solicitor's report.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

8. Report from the Chief of Police -

Chief reports that the new part time Officer will start training next week.

Chief relays that the body cameras need to be updated or replaced. We have 3000.00 invested into the server . He is awaiting quotes for exact pricing.

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to accept the Chief Of Police report.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

9. Report from the Street Commissioner-

Mayor Sicafuse said he will discuss this in the Action Items.

10. Report from Engineer-liaison - N/A

As reported by the Mayor.

11. OTHER COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

A. Legislation Policy Committee- N/A

B. Building, Lands, Utilities, Parks & Recreation Committee-N/A

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C. Planning Commission- N/A

D. Board of Zoning Appeals- N/A

E. Architectural Review Board- N/A

F. Forest Board- Mr. Graff states they forfeited their meeting because there was a Special Council meeting at the same time.

E. Hine Memorial Board-
N/A

F. Western Reserve Joint Fire District, Board of Trustees-
N/A

13. Reports from Special Committees. -
N/A

14. Communications from Poland Village Residents –
N/A

15. Discussion /Action Items –

Chief Lambert says he has gotten complaints from many residents that there is a problem with trucks using their engine brakes and disturbing residents. Chief said that we can order signs to put up in this area. Mr. Zembower would like to know if either the county or the state will pay for the signs because these routes are not maintained by the village. Atty.Macejko will look into this matter.

Mr. Canter would ask for a motion to pay the invoice to American Legal Publishing in the amount of 450.00.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Walkama to pay the invoice of 450.00 to American Legal Publishing.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

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Mr. Canter would ask Council to approve an invoice to Isaac Wiles for legal work pertaining to eminent domain in the amount of 273.50.

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mr. Walkama to pay the invoice of Issac Wiles in the amount of 273.50.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

Mr. Canter needs Council to approve an advance of funds from the General Fund to the ODNR Forest fund in the amount of 5739.55.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Graff to advance 5739.55 to the Forest fund from the General fund.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

Mr. Cantor would like Council to approve the second half payment of 2200.00 to Grand River Forestry for the second application in the forest.

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to pay the invoice of 2200.00 to Grand River Forestry for invasive species spraying.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

SECOND AND THIRD READINGS- N/A

16. New Business / Discussion Items-

Mayor Sicafuse would like to discuss paying for North Lima Road paving, which the county previously used to do.. Mr. Moffie remembers that the county paid for the paving. He wants to know why that is not included because the tax levy passed and it is not in our plan to have it paved. It is a county road.

Meadow Lane definitely needs to be paved and Atty Macejko suggests that we need to contact the engineers to begin the process of getting Meadow Lane paved. Mr. Zembower suggests we handle the paving of Meadow Lane like we handle the paving of all the other roads. Mayor Sicafuse will call the engineer to facilitate this paving.

Mayor Sicafuse mentions that it should be discussed soon if there will be paving of any roads next year as that needs to be decided asap. Mayor will get back to council on the deadline for the paving grants for 2024.

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Mayor Sicafuse would like to hire George Porterfield as the Street Commissioner and John Quimby as the Assistant Commissioner. He has given the council the resumes to review. He believes that these are the perfect candidates for the job. Mr. Zembower would like to know who is ultimately responsible for this decision. Mr. Zembower voices concern that there are not many applications and wants to know how this open position was advertised. Chief Lambert notes that the police department has the same concerns within their department.

Mr. Canter would like a motion to increase email storage for the fiscal officer and other council as needed.

Motion by **Graff** and seconded by **Mr. Moffie** to to increase email storage.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

Mr. Canter would like Council to approve the purchase of new body cams for the Police Department payable from the LET fund. Mayor said there is enough money in the fund. Mr. Zembower notes that all these expenditures are depleting this fund. He also notes that they are necessary to have them for the department. Chief mentions that very soon a new police car will have to be purchased. Mrs. Bosak wants to know if we can hold off until we have a specific price. Chief notes that a 4000.00 cap should be enough.

A motion was made by **Mr. Graff** and seconded by **Mr. Moffie** to allocate up to 4000.00 from the LET trust fund for the purchase of body cams for the PD.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

At 7:40 PM a motion was made by **Mr. Moffie** and seconded by **Mrs. Bosak** for an Executive Session to consider the employment and promotion of a public employee.

Roll Call *Vote: Moffie, Zembower, Graff, Walkama, Bosak- YEAS*

Motion Carries 5-0

7:41 PM Council goes into Executive Session

7:51 PM a motion was made by **Mr. Graff** and seconded by **Mrs. Bosak** to return to the Orders of the Day.

Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.

Motion carries 5-0

A motion was made by **Mr. Moffie** and seconded by **Mr. Graff** to table the hiring of a new street department employee and the promotion of a street department employee

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Motion carries 5-0*

17. Old Business-

Mr. Canter is awaiting bids for new boilers.

18. Presentation of the Bills

A motion was made by **Mr. Graff** and seconded by **Mr. Moffie** to pay the bills.

*Vote: Graff, Zembower, Moffie, Walkama, Bosak- yeas.
Motion carries 5-0*

21. Remarks by Council and the Mayor:

- A. Mr. Zembower- No comment..
- B. Mr Graff- Would like to note that the weirs in the forest are working properly and that it is fascinating to see.
- C. Mr. Moffie- Would like to thank the PD for their prompt response in handling the matter of the fawn being hit by a car.
- D. Mrs. Bosak-Mentions they will be making the Street Department job posting available to the public.
- E. Mr. Walkama- No comment

20. Adjournment

A motion was made by **Mr. Moffie** and seconded by **Mr. Zembower** to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

*Vote, Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Bosak, Zembower- yeas.
Motion carries 5-0.*


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Amy E. Brenoel, Clerk Of Council
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The next REGULAR MEETING of the Poland Village Council will be Tuesday, June 20, 2023. Caucus will begin at 7:00 p.m., with Regular Session beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Poland Village Town Hall, 308 South Main Street, Poland, Ohio 44514-2082.