
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, October 17, 2023

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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, Member of Council
- E. Mr. James Walkama, Member of Council
- F. Mrs. Abbie Bosak, Member of Council
- G. Mr. Timothy Sicafuse, Mayor, Absent

Also present were: Jay Macejko, Solicitor
Don Lambert, Police Chief
Bob Canter, Fiscal Officer

A motion was made by Mr. Moffie and seconded by Mr. Graff to excuse Mayor Sicafuse.

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

Motion carries 5-0.

2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Minutes were emailed to the council.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Graff to accept the minutes.

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

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3. Guest Presentations: N/A

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

4. Report from the Mayor- Mr. Thompson, President of Council

Mr. Thompson remarks that Mayor Sicafuse would like there to be a committee for the Forest Board.

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

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

5. Report from the Fiscal Officer- Robert Canter.

Mr. Canter reports that he has the September bank statement and payment list.
He has received notice from Medical Mutual Health Insurance and was pleased with the rate.

He said paving of Meadow Lane will be on 10/30/23 and there is approximately 17000 square feet of road that needs to be patched at a cost of approximately \$48,000.00.

Mr. Canter would like to schedule a Finance Committee meeting.

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

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

6. Report from the solicitor- Jay Macejko -

Attorney Macejko has been working with Maureen O'Neil with general and library issues.
He has reached out to ODOT about concerns about the removal of the arrow light at St. Rt. 170 and North Lima Road. He also is having to deal with residents putting leaves in the road.

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

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

7. Report from the Chief of Police - Don Lambert

Chief Lambert reports that the investigation of the pedestrian hit by a car is losing steam.
They do have a ping order for a phone that may bring some closure to the incident.

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Chief reports that he had found a company to demonstrate the body cameras. While they are \$1494.00 over the budgeted amount, it would in reality be cost effective as we could use our own server and have a 3 year warranty with no additional fees.

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

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

Motion carries 5-0

8. Report from the Zoning Commissioner-

Maureen O'Neil submitted the report by email. Maureen also thanks Atty. Macejko for helping her deal with the companies interested in providing fiber optics to the village residents.

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

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

Motion carries 5-0

9. Report from the Street Commissioner- George Porterfield-Absent

Mr. Moffie would like a report if the commissioner cannot be at the meeting. Atty. Macejko will speak with Mayor Sicafuse regarding this matter.

10. Report from Engineer-liaison - N/A

11. OTHER COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS

A. Legislation Policy Committee-. N/A

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

C. Planning Commission- N/A

D. Board of Zoning Appeals- N/A

E. Architectural Review Board- N/A

F. Forest Board-

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Mr. Graff reports that He has received the bench from the Lions Club.

A motion was made by **Mr. Moffie** and seconded by **Mrs. Bosak** to accept the Forest Board Report.

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

Motion carries 5-0

G. Hine Memorial Board- N/A

H. Western Reserve Joint Fire District, Board of Trustees- Mr. Thompson

The Fire Board thanks the Village Council for the use of the Village Hall for their Fire Board meetings.

Mr. Thompson mentions that amazingly they have found insurance with a cheaper premium.

There is now a healthy mutual aid relationship provided across the Boardman/Poland border which is in everyone's best interest.

A motion was made by **Mrs. Bosak** and seconded by **Mr. Zembower** to accept the Fire Board Report.

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

Motion carries 5-0

12. Reports from Special Committees. -

Thank you to Allison and Rob Dunham for all they did for the Police levy. They walked the whole Village along with Mr. Moffie and Mr. Graff to speak with residents. Mr. Thompson also participated.

Mr. Moffie mentions that he has met with Mark Thompson regarding the Forest Connector and that it is an ongoing project.

13. Communications from Poland Village Residents -

Elinor Zedaker, 70 Poland Manor. Mrs. Zedaker was concerned that the Village Police levy was neglected by the news media. She also wants to make it known that the library is a public building.

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Kathy Miller, 15 Water Street, Would like to know who to contact to get the walk signs fixed at intersections to cross the street safely. Atty. Macejko tells her ODOT and she asks if he will contact them to fix the signs.

Ken Adams, 354 Johnson Place, Mr. Adams will meet with Mr. Graff regarding previous projects that have not been progressed.

Allison Dunham 214 Edna Street, Allison said all the flyers for the Police Levy have been handed out and they are still putting up some extra signs. She feels that the public has been very receptive to the levy.

Craig Hockenberry, Superintendent of Schools, wants to thank Chief Lambert for the collaboration with the 4 SRO model. He tells of the landscape plan to beautify the Flock camera area.

He is inviting the Council to a ribbon cutting ceremony on 10.27.23 at 10:00 am for a new greenhouse being built at PSHS.

Action Items:

A motion was made by Mr. Walkama and seconded by Mrs. Bosak for a **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.**

(VILLAGE COUNCIL)

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

Motion carries 5-0

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to amend the previous appropriation amount by \$1494.00 for the body cameras with a three year warranty to \$7494.00.

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

Motion carries 5-0.

SECOND AND THIRD READINGS:

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded Mr. Moffie to amend the **ORDINANCE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF POLAND AS ENACTED BY ORDINANCE 1266.04 ON JANUARY 3, 1994 AND FIRST AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 1047.97 ON AUGUST 14, 1997 TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT OF AN AGENDA PUBLICATION TWENTY-FOUR HOURS IN ADVANCE OF AN ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEETING.**

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Roll Call Vote: Mr. Moffie, Mr. Walkama, Mr. Graff-Yeas
Mr. Zembower, Mrs. Bosak-nay
Motion passes 3-2

15. New Business/ Discussions

Mr. Thompson asks Maureen O'Neil her opinion on the library issue. She said it is her goal to find a solution to the problem. The ARB committee will meet on 11/6/23 and will discuss a solution. Maureen will attend the meeting. The Library Board has been very quick to address and help remedy the problem.

Mr. Moffie has made a public records request to have in black and white all the work done at the library and who did the work.

Poland Women's Club sponsorship again discussed. Mr. Thompson would like to sponsor a band. They would also like Edison Lighting to put lights up on the pathways. Lighting the pathways could be done for between \$150.00-\$250.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mrs. Bosak for retroactive pay effective 10.2.23 from \$19.95 per hour to \$20.34 per hour for Brian Flynn.

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

Motion carries: 5-0

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Graff to hire Chelsea Quimby, a heavy equipment operator for a part time street department position at \$16.00 per hour.

Mr. Moffie expresses concerns that she is a relative of a street department employee.

Vote: Graff, Thompson, Zembower, Bosak, - yeas.

Moffie- nay

Motion carries: 4-1

A motion was made by Mr. Moffie and seconded by Mr. Graff for Council to meet on election night 11-7-23 instead of moving it to the following day.

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

Motion carries: 5-0

Record of Proceedings

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Mrs. Bosak would like to put on the radar to the BLUPR Committee to consider repairs that need to be made to the railing on the front porch of Village Hall.

.16. Presentation of the Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to pay the bills.

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

Motion carries: 5-0

17. Remarks by Council and the Mayor:

A. Mr Graff- No comment..

A. Mr. Moffie- No comment.

C. Mr. Thompson- Again thanks council for the use of Village Hall for the Fire Board.

D. Mr. Zembower- No comment.

E. Mrs. Bosak- No comment.

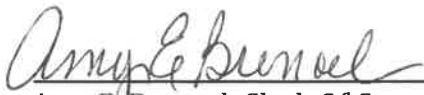
F. Jim Walkama- No Comment.

18. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mr. Moffie to adjourn the meeting at 7:49p.m.

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

Motion carries 5-0.

 October 17, 2023
Amy E. Brenoel, Clerk Of Council
Village of Poland, Ohio

The next REGULAR MEETING of the Poland Village Council will be Tuesday, November 7, 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.

