

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, January 16, 2024

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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

Also present were: Jay Macejko, Solicitor
Robert Canter, Fiscal Officer
Timothy Sicafuse, Mayor

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff to excuse Mrs. Brenoel.
Vote: Zembower, Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Thompson, Bosak -yeas
Motion carries 6-0.

2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Minutes were presented from the January 2nd meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff to accept the minutes.
Vote: Zembower, Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Thompson, Bosak -yeas
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

3. Report from the Mayor- The Mayor recommends Becky Rudzik as a member of the Fire Board for a three year term.

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A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mr. Zembower to accept the Mayor's report.
Vote: Zembower, Graff, Walkama, Moffie, Thompson, Bosak - yeas
Motion carries 6-0.

4. Report from the Fiscal Officer- Robert Canter.

Mr. Canter passes around an acknowledgement of receipt sheet that needs to be signed by elected officials saying they received the information sheets and if they suspect fraud they know where to report it and that Mr. Canter did provide the information.

He is getting three quotes for a new generator. He has received one and is waiting on two more.

The lease on the copy machine is up and ninety day notice will be given February 1, 2024. He has requested a purchase price for the copier. He states the village can purchase the copier and then get a maintenance plan with another company, lease again or buy another one outright.

The IT contract with Tailored IT Solutions is due February 1, 2024. He was given a quote of \$6887.76 annually which is paid monthly at \$573.98. This covers all the IT work. Council can choose to go with them or could solicit quotes.

Mr. Canter passes around the December bank requisitions for signatures.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff to accept the Fiscal Officer's report.
Vote: Graff, Zembower, Walkama, Moffie, Thompson, Bosak - yeas
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5. Report from the solicitor- Jay Macejko -
Nothing to report.

6. Report from the Chief of Police - Donald Lambert

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There had been a rash of car entries. Chief reminds residents to keep their cars locked if not stored in a garage. Some cash and Christmas presents were taken on the North end of town.

A motion was made by Mr. Graff and seconded by Mr. Thompson to accept the Police Chief's report.

Vote: Graff, Walkama, Zembower, Thompson, Moffie, Bosak -yeas
Motion passes 6-0

7. Report from the Zoning Commissioner- Maureen O'Neil

Maureen has emailed everyone the report.

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

Vote: Graff, Walkama, Zembower, Thompson, Moffie, Bosak -yeas
Motion passes 6-0

8. Report from the Street Commissioner- George Porterfield

The leaf pickup concluded with a final collection of 133 loads on December 14th. New tires and shocks were put on the truck. This year they had less loads of leaves but used more fuel to get rid of them.

Mr. Moffie wants to know what time plowing started on Sunday. He said he had many complaints that the roads were not cleared earlier.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to accept the Street Commissioner's report

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9.. Report from Engineer-liaison - Chris Graff

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Mr Graff informs that Dave McCallops is still trying to get more money for the trail projects. He mentions that there is a meeting early next week with Pat Ginetti about exactly what they are going to do with the bridge and the start date.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to accept the Engineer liaison report.

*Vote: Graff, Walkama, Zembower, Thompson, Moffie, Bosak -yeas
Motion passes 6-0*

10. 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- Meeting 1/31/24 at 7:00 pm
- E. Architectural Review Board- They met and elected a chair and a secretary. They are still having library conversations and are anxious to hear when Maureen is presented with something for them to review. She assures that she is in contact with the library board and they are awaiting better weather to address the issues. Mr. Moffie wants to go on record to say that he feels that the Library Board is dragging their feet on this issue.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mrs. Bosak to accept the ARB report.

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- F. Forest Board-

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Mr. Zembower asks if the Lion's Club bench has been installed and secured at the Indian Trail. Mr. Mark Thompson makes the remark that it is installed but not secured as other benches have not been secured and have not been taken.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Thompson to accept the Forest Board report.

Vote: Graff, Walkama, Zembower, Thompson, Moffie, Bosak -yeas
Motion passes 6-0

G. Hine Memorial Board- The Hine Fund is making money and in good shape. It will have no problem making its annual distributions to the Village.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bosak and seconded by Mr. Zembower to accept the Hine Fund report.

Vote: Graff, Walkama, Zembower, Thompson, Moffie, Bosak -yeas
Motion passes 6-0

H. Western Reserve Joint Fire District, Board of Trustees- The Fire Board met for their organizational meeting. Elinor Zedaker is the new chair. Last year \$350,000.00 was received from ambulance services. The expected amount was only \$100,00.00, so with those funds another ambulance was purchased.

Mr. Thompson remarks that they currently paying bank loans on Station 93 expansion and paying on a ladder and an engine. He remarks that if a loan is taken out for anything it is paid back double fast. He thinks that they paid cash for all the ambulances.

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

Vote: Graff, Walkama, Zembower, Thompson, Moffie, Bosak -yeas
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11. Reports from Special Committees. - N/A

13. Communications from Poland Village Residents -

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Mr. Moffie thanks Mr. Mark Thompson for all the work he has done for the forest and Mr. Thompson replies that thanks is also due to Mr. Moffie for all work he has done requesting extra funds for the projects.

Mr Hockenberry Superintendent of Poland Schools says that there are two new Board members, Greg Riddle and Jeff Sabrin. Also the Poland Foundation for Excellence will honor Miss Gura, Mike Burns and John Allsopp at the March 7th dinner.

ACTION ITEMS:

Mr. Canter notes that non-turbo Ford Explorers can be purchased for the Police Department at a price of \$42,879.00 which is less expensive than the Dodge Durango. These can be purchased through the Law Enforcement Trust. The funds have already been encumbered for the first vehicle. Mr. Canter said that there will be around \$20,000.00 left in the trust fund after the vehicles are equipped.

Chief Lambert said two vehicles will be retired and two purchased. The retired vehicles can be sold and the money put back into the trust. Chief mentions that every now and then they get a donation toward the trust fund.

No taxpayer dollars will be used to pay for the police vehicles.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff that the council amend the prior purchase order to authorize the village to purchase the first cruiser at the new lower price as reflected in these quotes rather than the former vehicle.

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

Motion carries 6-0

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff for council to approve the purchase of a second cruiser, payment from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund as reflected from the quote that is on the table in an amount not to exceed \$43,000.00.

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

Moffie-nay

Motion carries 5-1

14. Reports from Special Committees. - N/A

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15. Discussion Items/New Business

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff to approve the renewal of the Tailored It Solutions contract in the annual amount of \$6887.76.

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

Zembower-nay

Motion carries 5-1

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A motion was made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Graff to approve the Mayor's nomination of Becky Rudzik to serve a full three year term on the Fire Board.

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

Motion carries 6-0

16. Presentation of the Bills

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

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

Motion carries: 6-0

17. Remarks by Council and the Mayor:

- A. Mr. Thompson- No comment.
- B. Mrs. Bosak- No comment.
- C. Mr. Moffie- No comment.
- D. Mr. Walkama- No comment.
- E. Mr Zembower- No comment.
- F. Mr. Graff- No comment.

18. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Moffie and seconded by Mr. Graff to adjourn the meeting at 7:46p.m.

Record of Proceedings

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

The next REGULAR MEETING of the Poland Village Council will be February 6, 2024 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.