

**Record of Proceedings for the Village of Aquilla  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 13, 2020**

Council Members Present: Ms. Bennington, Mr. Eging, Mr. Vodicka, Ms. Savel

Absent: Mr. Glover

Others Present: Fiscal Officer Cheryl McNulty, Mayor Rich Wolfe, Zoning Inspector Larry Jenkins, Solicitor Jim Gillette

Residents: Kenneth Campbell, Matt Smith, Julie Petrowski, Chris Alusheff, Kay Hendricks, Chuck Hendricks

Mayor Wolfe presiding. Meeting called to order 7:00 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the regular meeting held on September 8, 2020, were unable to be reviewed.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The following bills for October were presented for payment:

<b>CK#</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
	Checks 3005-3012 and 3014 were voided	
3013	OPERS	175.99
3015	Windstream	100.19
3016	GCDWR	108.88
3017	Illuminating Company	575.91
3018	Dumpster Bandit	3,600.00
3019	Cheryl McNulty – Stamps	55.00
3020	Hazen Contracting	5,185.00
3021	Fulton Sign	20.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,820.97</b>

Ms. Savel made a motion to approve payment of bills for October, second was made by Ms. Bennington.  
Roll call vote: all yes.

**FINANCIALS**

Council received the following financial reports

- Bank statement ending September 30, 2020, showing a balance of \$148,188.46
- UAN reconciliation balance as of September 30, 2020, is \$148,188.46
- UAN September Receipt list totaling \$5,756.88
- UAN Purchase Order listing 38-2020 thru 42-2020
- UAN Payments listing as of October, 2020 totaling \$9,820.97

- UAN Fund Status report as of 9/30/2020: 5 funds totaling \$148,188.46

Motion was made by Ms. Savel to accept financial reports as presented; second by Mr. Vodicka. Roll call vote: all yes.

Mr. Eging and Ms. Savel will approve bank statements going forward.

**RESOLUTION 2020-15 TO DIRECT JIM GILLETTE FILE PETITION WITH THE BOARD OF GEAUGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ERECT A NEW TOWNSHIP WITH THE SAME TERRITORIAL LIMITS AS THE VILLAGE OF AQUILLA OUT OF A PORTION OF CLARIDON TOWNSHIP**

Jim Gillette is obtaining certified copies of the map and legal descriptions of the Village to present to the Commissioners. Once submitted, the Commissioners will advertise for a hearing.

Mr. Vodicka motioned to accept Resolution 2020-15, seconded by Ms. Savel. Roll call: all yes.

**POLITICAL SIGNS**

Jim Gillette explained that according to the Supreme Court ruling, restricting political signs is a violation of first amendment rights. Any regulations of signing needs to be content neutral. Billboards are a separate issue. There is no timeframe after the election for removal of signs.

**RESOLUTION 2020-18 ACCEPTING GEAUGA LAWN CARE BID OF \$4,200.00 FOR LEAF PICKUP FOR THE 2020 SEASON**

Ms. Savel motioned to accept Resolution 2020-18, seconded by Mr. Vodicka. Roll call: all yes.

**RESOLUTION 2020-19 ACCEPTING MBS LAND CARE BID OF \$16,400.00 FOR SNOWPLOWING FOR THE 2020 SEASON**

Ms. Savel motioned to accept Resolution 2020-19, seconded by Mr. Vodicka. Roll call: all yes.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

1. Knox Energy has reached an agreement for placement of the reg station. They are getting permits and surveying Aquilla Road. There will be 2 crews on the project which will be around November 1. Knox will be sending letters to residents with updates
2. Peggy Peters on Cornelia belongs to a Church groups that meets on Wednesdays and would like to use the Town Hall for meetings. A Council member would need to be available to open and close the buildings for these meetings. It is suggested that we charge a fee of \$25/meeting to cover the cost of utilities and cleaning. Discussion was tabled until next month.

**COUNCIL MEMBER**

3. We need to fill the vacant Council seat. Julie Petrowski has been a resident of Aquilla since 1993 and has an interest in assisting with activities within the Village. Mr. Vodicka motioned to appoint Julie to Council effective November 1, 2020, seconded by Ms. Savel. Roll call: all yes.

### **ZONING UPDATES**

Mr. Jenkins has been speaking with the homeowner of 116 Turner. The homeowner has placed the home on the market for sale and people have been looking at the property.

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING**

There being no further business to come before Council, a motion was made by Ms. Savel, second by Mr. Vodicka to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm. Roll call: all yes.

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Cheryl McNulty, Fiscal Officer

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Mayor Wolfe