

City of Cambridge
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
Tuesday April 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm via Zoom. In attendance were Mayor Sherry Tyler, Commissioners Gayle Wilhelmi, Brad King, Carol Huelsman, and attorney Carrie Ritsert. The minutes of the March regular meeting and the April 1 special meeting were distributed by email prior to the meeting. Gayle had a correction for an item in the March 15 minutes; a candidate cannot file for election online. One can obtain the proper forms online, but they must be returned in the mail or in person. Only the financial report can be filed online. The financial report was also sent via email.

Old Business: The JCLC monthly meeting will involve helping candidates in downloading and filling out the paperwork to file for office. The meeting will be Thursday the 21st at 7pm at the Middletown City Hall 1803 Old Shelbyville Rd.

Gayle stated she has not heard back from the person at Ecotech regarding a bid for sanitation services for Cambridge. She has sent a follow up email.

The PVA has not sent our preliminary assessments yet. They expect to send them out on the 22nd of April. Therefore, Sherry is not able to recommend a tax rate for the next fiscal year at this meeting.

The previous project manager for 4218 Browns Lane has resigned from the company (Taylor Homes). Melissa Nord gave an update that the electricity is installed. The bricking should be done soon, and they are waiting for plumbing work to be done after the utility lines are marked. Andy Marshall is the new project manager.

New Business: The owners of 2901 Miles Rd have finished the renovations and have listed the house for \$360,000. There is a pending sale already on the property. The home was purchased last October for \$185,000. It is a 4 BR, 2 baths, two story Cape Cod with 2,026 sq ft.

Jackie Love, who is renting 2908 Westfield, has been communicating with Brad via email. She is having an issue with a neighbor parking a vehicle on the street directly behind her driveway making it difficult to back her car out. She requested that Sherry put a notice in a newsletter asking folks to be careful where they are parking. Sherry did drive by there and was able to speak with Jackie. Jackie didn't want anyone to talk to the owner of the car and we don't have a newsletter so no action was taken.

Sherry received a text from Tim at 2926 Cambridge saying that a FedEx truck turned around in his driveway and hit his car that was parked in the driveway. We don't need to take any action; he just wanted us to be aware. He has video of the incident and will keep us informed.

We received two Road Fund payments this month due to a computer glitch. To fix the issue the State will not send a check next month.

We received a letter from the law offices of Carrie Ritsert informing Cambridge of an increase in the hourly fee for municipal services from \$95/hr to \$100/hr effective May 1, 2022.

A two-year-old child died at 2912 Westfield Rd. on 4-10-22 from a reported drowning in a bathtub. No other information has been available.

Cheryl O'Leary suggested that painting the speed bumps with white chevron stripes might make them more visible. She is concerned that at certain times they are hard to notice.

Sherry went over the revisions for the next fiscal year budget. The budget will remain largely the same. We will have 10 rental homes so the fee income was reduced to \$1,500. KLC dues have increased, the pay for the mayor will increase in January 2023, the money for the speed humps will be taken off, and some other items will have to be adjusted. The tax bill preparation is a percentage of the actual assessment so that expense will be raised to \$1000. The tax rate will be Ordinance #1 2022-23, and the next fiscal year budget will be Ordinance #2 2022-23. We will hold the first reading of both ordinances in May.

Brad has the stakes used for marking the speed humps near his house for the snow plow and will put them out again next winter.

Gayle asked about write-in candidates. Carrie said that for a write-in vote to be counted the person must have filed as a write-in candidate.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm. The next meeting will be May 17 at 6pm.