

VILLAGE OF CRIDERSVILLE
SPECIAL MEETING
August 29, 2022

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Mayor Rick Walls called the Special Council meeting to order. Present were Joe Bailey, Dorance Thompson, Dylan Lauck, Steve Numbers and Stacey Cook. Also present: Fiscal Officer Susan Bassitt, Administrator Jarid Kohlrieser. Eric West arrived a little later.

Mayor Walls stated that the Village did receive a \$300,000.00 award (Capital Improvement) from the State for a Legacy Park shelter house. He said he gave the paper work to Jarid who will be taking care of the project.

Mayor Walls stated the purpose of the meeting was to interview the three (3) top candidates for the Cridersville Police Chief's position being left vacant after previous notice from Paul Robbins that he was stepping down as chief but would like to stay with the department in another capacity.

Mayor Walls then read a new letter from Paul Robbins' submitted the morning of August 29, 2022 giving his resignation effective immediately. Motion to accept Paul Robbins resignation was made by Cook and seconded by Lauck. Motion passed 4-0. Bailey said no and West had not arrived at the time of the vote, but arrived shortly thereafter.

Council members interviewed applicants Nathan Freed, Chad Lauck and Joe Welker for about an hour and a half with each member asking various questions. Then a motion to move into executive session was made by West and seconded by Lauck. Motion passed 6-0.

After nearly an hour and a half in executive session, council returned to regular session. Motion to return to regular session was made by West and seconded by Lauck. Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Walls asked for a motion to offer the Cridersville Police Chief position to Chad Lauck at a starting wage of \$58,500.00. Motion made by Numbers, seconded by Thompson. Motion passed 5-0 with Dylan Lauck abstaining due to a family relationship with the applicant. Mayor walls will contact the applicant and submit authorization for a back ground check to the Auglaize County Sheriff.

Motion to adjourn was made by West, seconded by Bailey. Motion passed 6-0.

Susan Bassitt, Fiscal Officer

Rick Walls, Mayor

