

**REGULAR MEETING  
January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Barbara J. Lloyd with the recitation of the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Mayor Barbara Lloyd, Council Member Edward Harlan, and Council Member Paul Lowe took their Oath of Office.

Roll Call – In Attendance – Paul Lowe, Ed Harlan, Bo Coconis, and Mike Nunley

Absent – Kim St. Clair and Greg Gibson

Council Member Coconis nominated Council Member Harlan to be president of Council. Seconded by Council Member Nunley. No other nominations were given. Lowe – yay, Harlan – yay, Nunley – yay, and Coconis – yay. Motion carried.

Bo motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular Village Council Meeting held December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Seconded by Paul. Coconis – yay, Nunley – yay, Harlan – yay, and Lowe – yay. Motion Carried.

Ed moved to dispense with the Fiscal Officer’s Bank Reconciliation Report for December 2023 as we are awaiting the bank statement. Seconded by Greg. Lowe – yay, Harlan – yay, Nunley – yay, and Coconis – yay. Motion carried.

Mayor Lloyd asked Council if they saw the November 2023 Mayor’s Court Data?

**CITIZENS AND GUESTS**

None

**DEPARTMENT HEADS**

Administrator – Danny Wiseman

Nothing

Fire – Russell Taylor

There was a total of 121 runs for the month of December 2023 along with 1 dropped call. The monthly breakdown is as follows:

Fire – 25 Calls

4 Fire Calls  
13 Service Calls  
6 Canceled Calls  
2 Hazmat Call

EMS – 96 Calls

73 Transports  
12 Refusals  
5 Lift Assists  
6 Mutual Aid MVA/No Pt of Contact

The breakdown (location) of where the 101 calls for service are as follows:

Springfield Township – 67

Village of South Zanesville – 30

Newton Township – 15

City of Zanesville – 3

Harrison Township – 3

Crooksville – 1

Wayne Township - 1

**Total 2023 Calls were 1,245 calls and there were 22 dropped calls. The yearly breakdown is as follows:**

<b>Fire – 245 Calls</b>	<b>EMS – 1005 Calls</b>
47 Fire Calls	759 Transports
74 Service Calls	753 Genesis Zanesville
86 Canceled Calls	4 Genesis Somerset
21 Hazmat Call	1 Fairfield Medical
8 False Alarms	1 Southeastern Medical
2 Special Incidents	
2 Gas Leak/Over Heating	

**The breakdown (location) of where the 1245 calls for service are as follows:**

<b>Springfield Township – 651</b>	<b>Village of South Zanesville – 352</b>
<b>Newton Township – 141</b>	<b>City of Zanesville – 57</b>
<b>Harrison Township – 12</b>	<b>Wayne Township - 11</b>
<b>Roseville – 7</b>	<b>Crooksville – 6</b>
<b>Falls Township – 4</b>	<b>National Trail – 2</b>
<b>Roseville (Perry) – 1</b>	<b>Newton Township (Perry) – 1</b>

**Council Member Lowe said Springfield Township which has helped us out a lot, recently with the new truck in the tune of around \$13,000, we have an agreement with them for \$140,000 and we spoke in Council previously some time ago about the idea of requesting a jump in that amount in the monies we receive and if you look at the call schedule for Springfield township is 651 calls vs. 352 for the Village. I appreciate Springfield Township and what they have done and not trying to do this in a negative way but we my ought to start thinking about what we want to do with this next year or sometime and not stay at the status quo when the numbers are up so tremendously. Chief Taylor said he has a meeting with them (Springfield Township Trustee’s) tomorrow night and I am going to reference the Levy we have on the ballot this spring and request they put one on this fall. If they put one on this fall that would generate about \$200, 000 plus from them at 3 mil. Council Member Coconis added that when we talked to them about the Fire Engine I think the challenging portion for them was what they were collecting for the current fire levy. They have no extra money as well. I know we agreed to put a levy on the ballot and they were not going to have the time to put it on the ballot for the spring so it would be in the fall. I do know one of the things we discussed was in being in this situation of 26 years, and when we figure out what we can do, getting the old one fixed or getting a new one, I do feel we need to look at putting into the budget that we put money back for future costs so that when people who take our place in 25 to 30 years has something to go off of. We know how we feel trying to budget a \$400,000 expense id not an easy pill to swallow and I don’t feel it will be any easier in 25 to 30 years either. Council Member Lowe said there was an article published in the Zanesville Times Recorder a week or two ago about the Zanesville Fire Department and their struggles with equipment and they had just purchased a used fire truck (ladder) and it was an old unit with low mileage. What we are ending up with is in my opinion is fire equipment that is functionally as far as the frame goes and using the equipment and the engine. But, we got units that are by companies that have patents on the equipment and their own parts and we don’t have a general ability to repair what we got. I see this as a problem. If we have a machine out there that is a pumper and we can’t fix the thing. Zanesville is buying equipment that is older than ours. If we don’t have to buy new stuff then I don’t know why we are doing it. We have to figure out how we can keep this stuff maintenance and save money if we can. Council Member Coconis said finding someone to work on a Detroit Diesel (engine) has been hard to find. Have we looked at what the cost would be if we bought a new motor? Chief Taylor said “No”. Council Member Coconis asked what would it cost for a new engine and computer system \$50,000 to \$100,000? Council Member Harlan said about \$50,000 to \$80,000 for that truck. Chief Taylor added then you**

would have to worry about the pump in it as it has to pass test which did not pass this year. You would have about \$200,000 just to rebuild that truck. Council Member Lowe asked how much would a new pumper cost? Assistant Fire Chief Duhamel stated if you went with a commercial cab your looking at around \$500,000 but if you went but if you replaced that truck it would be \$750,000 to \$1,000,000. Council Member Lowe said which one do you want. Chief Taylor said the Commercial one. Council Member Coconis asked even if we said no to repairing the old one what would it take to get a quote on what it would cost to repair it? Let's go ahead and get a cost even though we could get a grant for anew one. Mayor Lloyd said get the information and we will meet in a Finance & Public Safety Committee Meeting next month and you come with those numbers.

#### Police – Shane Patterson filling in for Chief Ross

In the month of December 2023, the Police Department handled 67 incidents, that includes, 1 misdemeanor arrest for Public Indecency, 28 citations, warnings, and verbal warnings. In comparison to 133 incidents handled in December 2022.

With the ending of the year 2023, the Department handled 1366 incidents that included 385 citations, warnings, verbal warnings, 23 misdemeanor arrests and 23 felony arrests. Compared to the year 2022 stats of 1423 incidents, 28 misdemeanor arrests, 24 felony arrests and 445 citations, warnings, and verbal warnings,

As you well know in 2023 the Department has gone through a lot of changes. With the loss of personnel, the loss of the levy and unit #3 going down. However, we persevere, with what we have and then some, by getting a 2019 Dodge Charger donated, money donated by the local VFW to get the new cruiser stripped and new computers coming in to replace the old ones.

I'm still seeking candidates for a full-time position and trying to replaced the auxiliaries that have left or about to leave, do to other obligations. An issue that all surrounding departments are facing. I'm optimistic about the about the future of our department and looking forward to facing the challenges of 2024.

Mayor Lloyd also noted that we will talk about the open police officer positions in the Finance & Rules Committee Meeting as well.

#### Water – Danny Wiseman

We accomplished 25 locates, the EPA will be in tomorrow to look at the Water Plant Generator to cover the grant requirements, and Generator Systems will be in to the generators are set up correctly to cover the warranty requirements. Council Member Lowe asked if the generators were natural gas. Danny replied "yes".

#### Street – Danny Wiseman

We are using cold mix to patch holes.

### REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

None

**COMMUNICATIONS AND LETTERS**

- A. New Council Meeting Listing**
- B. AG Yost Training for Elected Officials**
- C. Copy of email sent to State Senator Landis and State Representative Adams**

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**Ordinance 2023-18                    AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF LIVRSTOCK WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH ZANESVILLE**

**Ed motioned to pass the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2023-18. Seconded by Bo. Coconis – yay, Nunley – yay, Harlan - yay, and Lowe - yay. Motion Carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Council Member Lowe said he would like to thank the Fire Department for their excellent job on Christmas Eve as usual. The kids really love it. I also want to thank the Police Department for the hard work they did all year.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Shane Patterson stated that the Police Chief was approached by a gentleman that would like to purchase the old police cruiser for \$800. It has been gone through and stripped, all equipment has been removed. Mike motioned to sell the old cruiser for \$800. Seconded by Ed. Lowe – yay, Harlan – yay, Nunley – yay, and Coconis – yay. Motion carried.**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Mayor stated she wanted to thank all of you sitting here for all the hard work you did with me to keep the village growing. I couldn't do it alone and sometimes you guys think your insignificant but your defiantly are to me, you have been a tremendous help along with my police and fire.**

**ADJOURN**

**Mike moved to adjourn, seconded by Bo. Mayor Lloyd asked all to vote by stating I. All did. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.**

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**Barbara Lloyd - Mayor**

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**Chris Kerby - Clerk/Fiscal Officer**