

**REGULAR MEETING
May 6th, 2024**

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

**Roll Call – In Attendance – Paul Lowe, Kim St. Clair, Mike Nunley, Bo Coconis, and Greg Gibson
Absent - Ed Harlan**

Paul motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular Village Council Meeting held April 1st, 2024. Seconded by Kim. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

Mike motioned to accept the minutes of the Special Village Council Meeting held April 4th, 2024. Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yay, Coconis – yay, Nunley – yay, St. Clair – yay, and Lowe - yay. Motion Carried.

Paul motioned to dispense with the minutes of the Special Village Council Meeting held April 15th, 2024. Seconded by Greg. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

Greg moved to dispense with the Fiscal Officer’s Bank Reconciliation Report for April 2024 as we are awaiting the bank statement. Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yay, Coconis – yay, Nunley – yay, St. Clair – yay, and Lowe - yay. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lloyd asked Council if they saw the March and April 2024 Mayor’s Court Data?

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

Peter A. Daniel – 181 E. King Street – I respectfully petition the Council to park at the end of East King Street on the flat area on the days you are not mowing water tower area or on the day of the emergency tornado whistle. On the grounds that we were instructed to park therein the past and for many years we have been parking there and we parked beyond the no parking signs. My girlfriend, Tonya McDonald is handicapped and it is a hardship on us to roll her down the lawns to get her in the car. Mayor Lloyd stated she would give this information to our Street Committee and they will meet and get back with you next month.

Blake Van Wye – 70 S. Pembroke Avenue – I have an issue about a tree that was cut down around 10 to 12 years ago and the stump is starting to rot away and when kids get off the bus they go over and kick at it and throw it in my yard and in the street and all the way down the sidewalk. I have gone out I don’t know how many times and sweep the sidewalk off and it is just an eyesore that needs to be dealt with. Mayor Lloyd asked if the stump was between the sidewalk and the street. Mr. Van Wye said yes. Mayor Lloyd said she would have Dan (Administrator) come and look at and take care of it.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator – Danny Wiseman

If you have not been up at the park we have started working on the little shelter next to the tennis courts. The roof has been bad and we took the old roof off and put roofing paper down and put new channel around the top and fascia board. Russell come up and helped us figure up how much tin we would need and got it ordered. We hope to finish that up in the next week.

We have been talking about a new utility truck and over the last 2 months I have been getting state purchasing bids. The state purchasing bid for the truck itself is \$70,169, the bed is \$27,2920, the spray on the bed is \$750 and I am asking council for the approval to purchase this truck. Council Member Nunley asked if this was cab and chassis and then the bed. Mayor Lloyd said correct. Council Member Nunley then asked is this the truck you want to put the bucket on? Danny replied the bucket would go on the old utility truck. Council Member Lowe stated that he understood that we have around \$131,000 in our ARPA (COVID) Grant that would cover the cost. Paul motioned to purchase the new 2024 Utility truck (E450) and everything in needs. Council Member Coconis asked if there would be anything else we would need. Danny replied that we would have emergencies but could not think of anything else. Seconded by Bo. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

Council Member Coconis asked with \$131,000 with the \$90,000 used for the truck can you put together a list for the next meeting we could use it for.

Fire – Russell Taylor

There was a total of 90 calls for the month of April 2024 with 1 dropped call. The monthly breakdown is as follows:

Fire – 21 Calls	EMS – 69 Calls
2 Fire Calls	53 Transports
9 Service Calls	9 Refusals
8 Canceled Calls	7 Lift Assists
1 False Alarm	

The breakdown (location) of where the 90 calls for service are as follows:

Springfield Township – 43	Village of South Zanesville – 30
Newton Township – 8	City of Zanesville – 7
Wayne Township - 1	Harrison Township - 1

Year to date the EMS Receipts collected is \$85,231.51 which is around 34.093% of the projected amount for the year.

Last Saturday night we had another house fire on East Berkley Street. The house was totaled and their Insurance Company will be sending us 3% of every \$15,000 to ensure the house is torn down.

The Village Yard Sale will be this Saturday form 9 till 4 at the Village Park. We have approximately 20 different spots rented out already.

The only other thing I need to bring up that is not going to make Council happy at all is yesterday I took 1413 out of service for good. Monday we were coming down Ridge Road downhill and it shut off again. We had no steering, no power, nothing. On Sunday we were at County wide Tanker training and it died right where you turn from Route 16 onto Route 60. So, whatever is going on it has become a major safety issue and at this point I took it off the road because I don't want any of my people get hurt or someone else if we run into them. So, we are down a truck. Council Lowe asked if we have any other tanker? Chief Taylor said no. Unfortunately, we have babied it and several months ago I brought it up that it shuts off going down the road and we have 4 different mechanics look at it and nobody can figure out what is wrong with it.

Police – Chief Ross

The Police Department had 108 incidents in the month of April 2024, compared to 85 incidents back in April 2023. Out of the 108 incidents, we have done 15 reports, 3 Felony Warrant Arrests, 4 Misdemeanor arrests and 28 traffic related offenses that resulted in written, verbal and/or citations.

One of those Felony Arrest was a 17-year-old that ran from the MCSO and Chief Ross that was wanted for aggravated burglary, stolen vehicle, and attempted murder out of West Virginia. Chief Ross caught the subject by H & R Block at gun point. The suspect is now in West Virginia custody.

In other activities, the Police Department had been awarded over \$6,000 of Body Worn Grant money to purchase a computer server to centralize all the body worn videos. Image Computer will be installing the server sometime this month.

Under older business, the Village Chief of Police plaque is completed and ready to be placed on the wall.

The new part-time officer, Aaron May, started April 22nd and will be finishing up his three-week training at the end of this week. Officer May is doing quite well and with his experience, plus knowledge he fits right into our department.

Last but not least, Chief Ross attended OACP Training on April 28th, 29th, and 30th in Columbus. The conference was informative and required training was completed. In a funny note Chief Ross and his wife won 7 prizes from the vendors. One prize was a complete uniform from Flying Cross.

Water – Danny Wiseman

We had 34 locates in April.

Street – Danny Wiseman

Now that we are getting hot mix we will start patching holes and cutting out areas to repair the streets such as East Main and South Pembroke.

All of the salt has been received for the year that we needed to order. Actually, we did not have to order the last load and it saved the Village about \$2,000.

Council Member Lowe said he would like to say I appreciate greatly all the work of the employees and the department. I would like to state that all the money we are laying out for the improvement of the water department and functioning of the street department such the backhoe, the new utility truck and many other purchases that we have been involved with in the past few years that we make sure that every job that can be done by this crew is done us in house and that I do not sign any monies going out to contractors that we could have done ourselves. Especially in a money pinch situation that we find ourselves in tonight over a, although it is a totally separate category, fire truck. But, we need to do everything we can do with the new equipment that we have purchased, the trailer, backhoe, for more efficiently cleaning out of culverts and such. I want to see that work done, I want to see this equipment utilized and I no bills coming to this village that can be done by in house expensed employees. If it is dangerous and it is hazardous and it can not be done safely by us by all means council needs to know about it and we need to preapprove such things unless it is an emergency. You (Danny) have that discretion, but I really do want us to start pinching peenies.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Insurance Committee – Council Member Lowe – So we were in the Committee for Vision, Dental, Life, Accidental Death & Dismemberment, and Short-Term Disability Insurances. We have a renewal by the same companies we have now and it is really not a bad deal because the increase is only \$97.11 per month. That is a 9.882% increase. This is for better coverage than the other quote we got which was for more money. The Committee recommends we renew these insurances with Humana and Sun Life. Kim motioned with renew with Humana and Sun Life. Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yay, Coconis – yay, Nunley – yay, St. Clair – yay, and Lowe - yay. Motion Carried.

Park Committee – Council Member Nunley – We are trying to look at different options for the Park. Play World which a company in Pataskala that makes toys that we are looking at meet with us here at the park. There is a stump at the top of the hill that could be a starting point of a new toy. This toy could cost anywhere between \$25,000 to \$50,000, is about 30-foot-long, and that price should include installation. Talked about the demolition of the Pool House. The fence would come down first which Sidwell’s is working on that part of it to get a price on that so we can show on the grant that we are trying to do things on our own. Barb is meeting with the fencing person about dividing the dog park into 2 sections (1 for small dog and the other for large dogs) and also getting the fences painted around the tennis court. We need t let the public know what we have done in the park over the last 4 to 5 years. The Pickleball Court will also be in the plans. We also discussed a shelter, benches, picnic tables, and a fountain at the entrance for the welcoming effect which is where the current pool house is. A butterfly garden somewhere on the right side of that. It is a work in progress.

COMMUNICATIONS AND LETTERS

- A. Dental, Vision, Short Term Disability (STD), Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D), and Life Insurance Renewal Information.**
- B. State Retirement Report**
- C. Park Info from Rob**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2024-5 **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AMENDING AND REVISING SPECIFIC LINE-ITEMS IN THE APPROPRIATIONS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH ZANESVILLE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Kim moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Ordinance 2024-5 pursuant to statute 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Paul. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

Bo motioned to pass Ordinance 2024-5. Seconded by Greg. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

Resolution 1118 **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MUSKINGUM COUNTY 9-1-1 FINAL PLAN**

Kim moved to pass the second reading of Resolution 1118 Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yay, Coconis – yay, Nunley – yay, St. Clair – yay, and Lowe - yay. Motion Carried.

Resolution 1119 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY**

Kim moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Resolution 1119 pursuant to statute 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Bo. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

Mike motioned to pass Resolution 1119. Seconded by Paul. Lowe – yay, St. Clair – yay, Nunley – yay, Coconis – yay, and Gibson - yay. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chief Taylor said he forgot to bring up that by July 2025 MARC’s Radios have to be upgraded. Landon was able to get us another grant through The Energy Coop to replace our out dated radios.

Council Member Coconis asked how the fund raising was going for the memorial. Russell said I have to go to a dinner tomorrow night and will be presented a check for \$5,000 which will put us around \$21,000. Council Member Coconis asked how much do we need? Russell stated \$60,000 for everything.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Lowe said I want to go back to the Tanker. I understand the Fire Department is the biggest budget item that we have and biggest department. They have their own separate pool. Russell has worked hard at raising a lot of money and done a good job for everything he has done. Now we have a problem which I did not think we were going to have because I thought, I don't like the idea, I need to ask you (Russell) where is the nearest tanker. Russell said Newton Township. Council Member Lowe continued, so, if a house catches fire in our village can we put the fire out efficiently? Russell stated if it is in the village we have fire hydrants but, in the township, we have tankers lined up. Council Member Lowe said ok, for the safety for the citizens and we just said there were 43 runs to Springfield Township, the majority of runs is always to Springfield Township, 30 runs were in South Zanesville so you would have hydrants. The 43 is questionable runs would have Newton Township, Falls Township, National Trails or Roseville assisting per Russell. Council Member Lowe said the problem we have here is we got 2 loans out for the Fire Department and both do not come off until May of 2025. The ambulance payment is about \$40,000 a year. That's not much help on a \$450,000 tanker. Calculated out if we could secure a loan for \$450,000 that is not Fire approved. Russell said no it is NFTA compliant tanker for a fire department. Council Member Lowe continued if we bought one from Pierce or someone it would be more right? Russell said no Pierce is for fire departments. Council Member said if we buy it from Pierce what is the chances we are going to fix it in 10 years. Russell said our current tanker is around 27 years old. Council Member Lowe asked how much are these tankers that people are filling their pools with. Russell stated that those trucks do not meet NFTA Rules and can not be used for fire services. Council Member Lowe said right now I do not see any way we can get a tanker with the money on hand. Russell said \$450,000 is just a stock model. Mayor Lloyd said let's put that into the Public Safety Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing

ADJOURN

Mike moved to adjourn, seconded by Kim. Mayor Lloyd asked all to vote by stating I. All did. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Barbara Lloyd - Mayor

Chris Kerby - Clerk/Fiscal Officer