

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carver called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on February 20th, 2024.

INVOCATION

Tim Clapper offered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Carver led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members of council answered roll call; Tim Clapper, Aron Fraizer, Kay Hines, Mark Phillips, Emily Shaffer, and Chris Sherbourne. Solicitor Tod Brininger, Administrator Derek Allen, Fiscal Officer Cathy Davis, Fire Chief Mark Carey, and Police Chief Adam Lakey were also present.

MINUTES

Shaffer moved and Fraizer seconded to approve the February 5th minutes with one correction. Roll Call: Shaffer, Fraizer, Clapper, Hines, Phillips, Sherbourne – all yes.

GUESTS

Alberta Stojkovic with the Morrow Co. Sentinel, John Harsch and Michael Nelson with the Morrow County EMA and police officer Caden Mosher.

John Harsch announced his retirement as director of the Morrow County EMA. He introduced his replacement, Michael Nelson.

Caden Mosher introduced himself as our new police officer for the Village.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Lakey reported that he has received final approval from the OCJS for the body camera grant and they are ordered.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Carey reported that he had a total of twenty-five students for the lithium-ion class. He has begun renovations to accommodate 24-hour staffing.

Chief Carey attended a meeting with the Morrow Co. EMS to discuss the addition of an ambulance for the county to help with non-emergency patient transport and transfers. This will be something that will hopefully go into effect in the next 90 days and is being funded with grant money. Clapper had asked where this would be housed. Chief Carey stated that it will be housed at the 911 center.

FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES - KAY HINES

Committee met and discussed the purchase of a 2024 Durango police cruiser. The grant had been denied but the money was appropriated in the 2024 budget. Hines moved and Sherbourne seconded to approve the purchase of the 2024 Durango not to exceed \$60,000.00. Discussion was made about switching the K9 cruiser to the 2022 Durango and keeping the 2024 Durango as a regular police cruiser. In order to keep up with the current rotation of police cruisers we will need to order one for this year. Clapper had asked when the next year's rotation would be. Chief Lakey stated that it would be in 2026 if we order in 2024. It was also mentioned that we need to set aside at least \$25,000.00 each year for a new police cruiser. Roll Call: Hines, Sherbourne, Clapper, Fraizer, Phillips, Shaffer – all yes.

The committee also discussed the purchase of senior banners for the Mt. Gilead High School seniors. A fundraiser was held at Pizzaburg and a few personal donations were given towards the purchase of these banners. The approximate cost is \$2,550.00. Hines moved and Sherbourne seconded to purchase the senior banners for the remainder of the bill after contributions. Roll Call: Hines, Sherbourne, Clapper, Fraizer, Phillips, Shaffer – all yes.

The purchase of fireworks was discussed and the mayor would like the council to approve. She would like to keep the same display as last year, which would cost \$15,000.00. Mayor Carver also volunteered to get donations. Sherbourne would like for the county commissioners to

declare the firework show a “county” firework display. She will present this idea to the commissioners. Shaffer asked what date the firework display would be. Mayor Carver will have to ask the Morrow Co. Fair board as to when we could set them off at the fairgrounds. Hines moved and Fraizer seconded to purchase fireworks for 2024 not to exceed \$15,000.00. Roll Call: Hines, Fraizer, Clapper, Phillips, Shaffer, Sherbourne – all yes. Next meeting is March 18th at 6:00 pm.

CODES, REGULATIONS AND ZONING - EMILY SHAFFER

Shaffer reported that the February meeting has been cancelled. Next meeting is March 25th at 6:00 pm. Mayor Carver stated that we need a decibel level added to our noise ordinance. There is a possibility of a steam turbine coming into the Village. The list of fire requirements for subdivisions given by Fire Chief Carey will be directed to the Administrator for review.

SAFETY - TIM CLAPPER

Next meeting is March 4th at 6:00 pm.

STREETS -MARK PHILLIPS

Next meeting is March 5th at 6:00 p.m. Discussion will be made about the ODOT SR 95 project. Shaffer asked about the catch basins. Administrator Allen stated that we are still working on them.

UTILITIES - CHRIS SHERBOURNE

Next meeting is March 4th after council meeting.

LONG RANGE PLANNING - ARON FRAIZER

Next meeting is March 11th at 6:00 pm.

Sherbourne asked about the installation of streetlights? This will be brought up in the next utility committee meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR-DEREK K. ALLEN

Allen reported that while two employees were running the street sweeper down S. Cherry St and while approaching South St., they had lost brakes. No one was injured and the sweeper did not collide with a moving vehicle. Allen instructed the employees to not operate the sweeper anymore. We are in the process of looking at new ones.

Allen attended a meeting with the owners of HPM. There is approx. 2.7 million dollars’ worth of cleanup. There is funding available and will see if he is interested.

He also attended a meeting with the Morrow Co. Development Authority concerning the need for commercial properties. Two properties considered were the one behind the dog pound and one on Home Rd. The county would have to decide if these properties could be split into parcels for smaller industries. Three objections to this were: 1) Morrow Co. would like to expand the jail. 2) Soil and Water uses some of this land as a test plot 3) Not sure if the county wants these used for industrial use. A site plan will be done and may be used as a permanent plat.

Marion Tech would like to build a facility in Morrow Co.

MAYOR - DONNA CARVER

Mayor Carver participated in the fundraiser at Pizzaburg. She attended the EMA meeting on the upcoming solar eclipse. They discussed delaying vendor deliveries on that day to elevate traffic.

SOLICITOR

No report.

FISCAL OFFICER - CATHY DAVIS

Hines moved and Sherbourne seconded to approve the bills. Roll Call: Hines – yes, Sherbourne -yes, Clapper – yes, Fraizer – yes, Phillips-yes, Shaffer – abstain.

Fraizer moved and Sherbourne seconded to pass ordinance 1950 “adding chapter 955” to the third reading. Roll Call: Fraizer, Sherbourne, Clapper, Hines, Phillips, Shaffer- all yes.

Shaffer moved and Hines seconded to pass ordinance 1951” repealing chapter 143” to the third reading. Roll Call: Shaffer, Hines, Clapper, Fraizer, Phillips, Sherbourne – all yes

Shaffer moved and Fraizer seconded to pass ordinance 1952 “amending chapter 933” to the third reading. Roll Call: Shaffer, Fraizer, Clapper, Hines, Phillips, Sherbourne – all yes.

Hines moved and Shaffer seconded to pass ordinance 1954 “codification editions” to the third reading. Roll Call: Hines, Shaffer, Clapper, Fraizer, Phillips, Sherbourne – all yes.

Sherbourne moved and Phillips seconded to suspend the reading of resolution 2-20-24 “hazard mitigation”. Roll Call: Sherbourne, Phillips, Clapper, Fraizer, Hines, Shaffer – all yes. Phillips moved and Fraizer seconded to pass resolution 2-20-24. Clapper asked EMA director Harsch if we could get funding for warning sirens? Harsch stated that we could apply for funding. Roll Call: Phillips, Fraizer, Clapper, Hines, Shaffer, Sherbourne – all yes.

Sherbourne moved and Fraizer seconded to suspend the reading of resolution 2-20-24 A “ODOT final resolution”. Roll Call: Sherbourne, Fraizer, Clapper, Hines, Phillips, Shaffer – all yes. Phillips moved and Fraizer seconded to pass resolution 2-20-24 A. Roll Call: Phillips, Fraizer, Clapper, Hines, Shaffer, Sherbourne – all yes.

Hines moved and Phillips seconded to suspend the reading of ordinance 1955 “supplemental appropriations”. Roll Call: Hines, Phillips, Clapper, Fraizer, Shaffer, Sherbourne – all yes.

Phillips moved and Hines seconded to pass ordinance 1955. Clapper asked if this was over what was budgeted. Allen stated that it was. Roll Call: Phillips, Hines, Clapper, Fraizer, Shaffer, Sherbourne – all yes.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

None.

Hines moved to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Approved:

Cathy Davis, Fiscal Officer

Donna J. Carver, Mayor