

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, September 7, 2023

Mayor Mike Petrella called the meeting to Order.

Roll Call: Bob Merriman present, Jason Mattern present, Pennie Scarpone present, Carmen DeStefano present, Randy Spence present, Gael Damron present.

Officials: Mayor Mike Petrella present, Fiscal Officer absent, Administrator Jesse Kosegi present, Solicitor Jake Linn absent

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes

Can I get a motion to appoint myself Randy as administrator and or clerk for this meeting?

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Bob Merriman to appoint Randy Spence as administrator and or clerk for this meeting.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Gael Damron to approve the minutes for the August 10, 2023 Council Meeting.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern abstain, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 5-0 with one abstain.

Guests

None.

Ordinance and/or Resolution

Ordinance 2023-54: An Ordinance Directing the Village Clerk to Certify Delinquent Water Fees to the Jefferson County Auditor's Office for Placement on the Real Estate Tax Duplicate as Leins and to be Collected with Real Estate Tax was read for the second time.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Bob Merriman, to suspend the rules on the third read of Ordinance 2023-54.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Bob Merriman to approve Ordinance 2023-54.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2023-55: An Ordinance Directing the Village Clerk to Certify Delinquent Sewer Fees to the Jefferson County Auditor's Office for Placement on the Real Estate Tax Duplicate as Leins and to be Collected with Real Estate Tax was read for the second time.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Bob Merriman, to suspend the rules on the third read of Ordinance 2023-55.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Carmen DeStefano, second by Pennie Scarpone to approve Ordinance 2023-55.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2023-56: An Ordinance Directing the Village Clerk to Certify Delinquent Sanitation Fees to the Jefferson County Auditor's Office for Placement on the Real Estate Tax Duplicate as Leins and to be Collected with Real Estate Tax was read for the second time.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Carmen DeStefano, to suspend the rules on the third read of Ordinance 2023-56.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Pennie Scarpone to approve Ordinance 2023-56.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Resolution 2023-59: A Resolution accepting the Amounts and Rates as determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor second read.

Motion by Pennie Scarpone, second by Carmen DeStefano, to suspend the rules on the third read of Ordinance 2023-59.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Carmen DeStefano, second by Pennie Scarpone to approve Ordinance 2023-59

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2023-60: An Ordinance to Approve Alternative Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 was read for the second time.

Motion by Pennie Scarpone, second by Jason Mattern, to suspend the rules on the third read of Ordinance 2023-60.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern to approve Ordinance 2023-60.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2023-61: An Ordinance Authorizing the Village Administrator to dispose of Personal Property of the Village of Wintersville, Ohio to Wit, a Dump Truck and Trailer and Declaring an Emergency was read for the second time.

Motion by Carmen DeStefano, second by Jason Mattern, to suspend the rules on the third read of Ordinance 2023-61.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern to approve Ordinance 2023-61.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Resolution 2023-62: A resolution Authorizing Mayor Mike Petrella to prepare and submit an Application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital improvement and/or local Transportation improvement program and to execute Contracts as Required.

Motion by Bob Merriman, second by Jason Mattern, to suspend the rules on the second and third read of Resolution 2023-62.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern to approve Resolution 2023-62.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2023-64: An Ordinance Providing for amending and revising the Appropriations of Expenditures for the Village of Wintersville for the Calendar Year 2023 and declaring and Emergency.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern, to suspend the rules on the second and third read of Ordinance 2023-64.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Pennie Scarpone to approve Ordinance 2023-64.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Announcements

September 29 and 30 the kids from the Christian School will be working on the Great Wall of Wintersville from 8:00 to 3:00.

Wintersville Fire Department will be having their Gun Bash on October 7, 2023.

Trick to Treat in Wintersville will be October 28, 2023 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Leaf pick up will be the 1st 3 Monday's in November.

Wintersville Winter Weekend will be December 2 and 3 2023.

Wintersville Christmas Parade will be December 3, 2023

Reports and Communications

Mayor Petrella read the Magistrate Report, Police Report, Nuisance Reports and Code Enforcement report for the Month of August.

Police Department the K-9 and handler are doing great.

Robert Laukert: Steel Valley Regional Transit Authority, the board reviewed the health plan that Oklok Criss gave now it goes to the employees to accept.

Property at Steel Valley has been accepted and the grant has been accepted.

Ridership is up, pass purchases are up.

I want to thank the Mayor, Administrator and Police Chief for their participation to name the New Park after Ed Laman and it will benefit the community.

Charlene Prentice: I have been catching up with S.T.R.V.A. The levy is coming up. S.T.R.V.A. is moving smoothly.

Mayor's Report

Thank You to all the crews for all their work on the water breaks.

The Administrator and myself had a meeting with Steubenville regarding the old pump house. It is possible we can purchase water from Steubenville if we need to as an option and also if they need water, we can ship water their way.

Jason Mattern: Have you gotten quoted on that?

Mayor Petrella: No, but our engineers are coming down.

Thank you to United Way on their Day of Giving, the ladies from Change Inc. got the benches put together.

Administrator's Report

The Policy and Procedure will start next week.

Waste Water Treatment Plant the study mandated by the EPA. I have a meeting with W. E. Quicksall on September 18.

Regarding the Paving of Rex, Russell, Simpson, Day Circle, Woodridge and Patton, the bid ends on September 11, if there are not bids then we will put it out for bid in the Spring. We have until June 1, 2024, we do have catch basin and curbs that needs done.

Furda and Morrow Lane, I am waiting on a legal description on that because the road is a private road. We will also have to look at the water lines.

Regarding the Water Tank they were done in 10 days, what we did and the company did save us about \$30,000.00. The Tank will be inspected every 5 years.

The Sanitation bids closed on August 29, 2023, there was only one company that put in a bid and it was Kimble.

Randy Spence: Furda and Morrow Lane will that have to be done through the annexation process.

Jesse Kosegi: I need to check into this with the Solicitor.

Jason Mattern: On the 2023 paving we will it bid in December or next Spring.

Jasse Kosegi: We will bid in the spring.

Unfinished Business

Gael Damron the Veteran banners are still available. Also the bench sponsors are still available.

Randy Spence: How is the pad for the fuel tank?

Mayor Petrella: The pad is poured and tank was delivered today.

Pennie Scarpone: Since we had the ground breaking for the park, have we received the funds for the park.

Mayor Petrella: We should have the funds in October.

New Business

Gael Damron: Thank You Officer Barbetta and Remy for attending the dog show at Friendship Park.

Jason Mattern: Snow parking passes will be coming out. Water break on Meadow Road thank you to the crews. Congratulation to Chief Laman for being recognized he is more than just a Chief.

Transfers

None.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to pay bills.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Carmen DeStefano, second by Jason Matter to adjourn.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Next Council Meeting is September 21, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

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Randy Spence

President of Council

Michael W. Petrella

Mayor