

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, November 16, 2023

Mayor Mike Petrella called the meeting to Order.

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

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

**Moment of Silence**

The Family of Joe Crowe and Tusky Valley High School.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Reading of Minutes**

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

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

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern to approve the minutes for the October 19, 2023 Council Meeting.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

**Guests**

None

**Ordinance and/or Resolution**

**Ordinance 2023-70:** An Ordinance providing a per pay stipend of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars and Zero Cents to the Canine Handler Officer for the Village of Wintersville, and Declaring and Emergency.

Motion by Rany Spence, second by Jason Mattern to suspend the rules on the second and third reading of Ordinance 2023-70.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Bob Merriman to approve Ordinance 2023-70.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Jason Mattern: Has the handler received this in his pay?

Jesse Kosegi: He has only got it in 2 pays, he has retro coming.

### **Announcements**

Final Leaf pick up will be the Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Wintersville Winter Weekend will be December 2 and 3 2023. We will be posting the list of events for this weekend.

Wintersville Christmas Parade will be December 3, 2023.

December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> 2023 will be the Light up Contest.

### **Reports and Communications**

Robert Laukert: Seven Ranges Meeting Brian Applegate did not run for re-election and they will have to appoint someone in his place. Several Fire Department were at the meeting giving their input on the replacement levy. The Training Center has had 400 people go through the facility.

Jason Mattern: It's nice to see the Training Center in operation. On the Levy it all goes back into the Training Center. At the Polling station and the Fire Levy the wording on the levy was confusing, during the meeting that was discussed. There was a call during the meeting, where First Responders had to leave. On behalf of the Seven Ranges we want to thank everyone who explained the levy and helped get the levy passed.

Robert Laukert: Regarding BHJ in your packets are several pictures of the Market Street Bridge which is in bad shape. There is also a survey at the end if Council could fill that out concerning the Market Street Bridge.

Charlene Prentice: SVRTA, Ridership is up from last year and there is talk about possibly a route to Wellsburg.

### **Mayor's Report**

Thanksgiving trash pickup on Thursday will be picked up on Friday. Be patient they will be doing 3 route that day.

Holly Maffett and Jesse Kosegi did a great job on the Christmas Lights. Spoke with Judge Bednar and they are hoping the Jefferson County Court will be in their new location sometime in January 2024.

Indian Creek has some students that would like to come to the Village and learn some of the trade at the Street Garage and Water Department.

Griffin Paving came in and finished all the paving that needed done.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to spend \$1,000.00 on the Employees Christmas lunch on December 22, 2023.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Gael Damron to get all the employees a \$75.00 gift card for Christmas.

### **Administrator's Report**

Jesse Kosegi: The leaf machine broke down so we are about a day behind.

Griffin has completed all the striping.

Barbcus will be here tomorrow to do the curbs.

The gas tank project, TS Electric will be starting on that in the next couple weeks, then it will be passed off for the install of the computer system.

BWC – Traffic lights should be here next week. They will be in an enclosed trailer.

Water Meter project as of today they have installed 525 meters.

We signed

our 2024 casualty insurance with McBane Insurance.

We hired Ryan Gorby to be a floater to be where ever we need him.

On the Christmas Decoration we had 76 decorations. Holly Maffett took it upon herself to see what she could do with the decorations. There was 76 Decoration and it took her 18 days to complete.

Mayor Petrella: She did an awesome job.

### **Unfinished Business**

None.

### **New Business**

Jason Mattern Very good job Holly. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

Randy Spence: I need a motion Lincoln Financial for the dental and vision.

Motion by Bob Merriman, second by Jason Mattern to go with Lincoln Financial.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern for the longevity for the employees.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern to purchase 7 - \$50.00 gift cards to go to the 7 best Christmas Decorated Homes in the Village.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Randy Spence Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

**Transfers**

None.

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

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Gael Damron to Adjourn.

**Vote:** Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 4-0.

Next Council meeting will be December 7, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Disclaimer: These are a draft of the minutes and not deemed official until approved by Council.

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Randy Spence

President of Council

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Michael W. Petrella

Mayor