

Minutes for the April 8, 2024 Council Meeting

1 Roll Call

Misner - Here Yarnall - Here Tickhill - Here Johnson - Here Hill - Here McCort - Here

2 Minutes

Mr. Tickhill moved, seconded by Mrs. Misner to approve the minutes from Council Meeting on March 25, 2024.

McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

3 Finance-Contract-Ordinance

a. Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to approve the payment listing in the amount of \$65,012.89.

Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

b. Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. Tickhill to approve the March 2024 Financials & Bank Reconciliation.

Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

c. Mayor Hershberger discussed with Council the need for an IT Network and Backup upgrade and provided an estimate from Baker IT for \$12,953.25. A discussion was held.

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to approve the IT Network and Backup upgrade from Baker IT.

Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

4 Street-Alley-Sidewalk

a. Mr. Deal informed Council that He has filled the Street Department position. The new Employee is familiar with our work and equipment and has a CDL license.

5 Safety

a. Chief Hall asked for Council's approval to add Christopher Cocca to the EMS & Fire Departments.

Mr. Tickhill moved, seconded by Mrs. Misner to add Christopher Cocca to the EMS & Fire Departments.

Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

b. Chief Hall asked for Council's approval to add Logan Havas to the Fire Department.

Mr. Hill moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to add Logan Havas to the Fire Department.

McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

c. Chief Hall asked for Council's approval to remove Devan Vogelgesang from the EMS & Fire Departments.

Mr. Hill moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson to remove Devan Vogelgesang from the EMS & Fire Departments.

Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

Councilman Brian Yarnall questioned the necessity of making a motion and voting to add or remove personnel from the EMS and Fire Departments. Richard Myser Village Solicitor stated Chief Hall has the authority, without no vote needed, to add or remove personnel, however He believes it's a good idea to report and makes for good record keeping.

d. Chief Hall presented Council with the Fire and EMS Departments Report Summary for March 2024.

e. Chief Hall informed Council of two upcoming Fire Trainings; April 20, 2024 and May 4, 2024.

f. Chief Sirianni presented Council with the Police Department's Report Summary for March 2024.

g. Mayor Hershberger gave the Mayor's Court Report for March 2024. State received \$937, the County received \$36, and the Village received \$2167.

6 Parks and Recreation

a. Mayor Hershberger provided Council with an update from the Park Board Meeting held on Sunday, April 7, 2024.

7 Cemetery

8 Water and Sewer

a. Mr. Deal provided Council with the 2023 Edition of the Village's Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report. The annual report is required by the Ohio EPA regarding our water quality.

9 Land & Buildings

a. Jeff Neal - 323 East Main Street - Fence

b. Richard Johnston, III - 816 North Chestnut Street - New Metal Roof

c. Bradley Swallie - 402 South Broadway Street - New Metal Roof and Vinyl Siding

d. Kari McGee - 106/108 West Main Street - New Metal Roof

Mr. Tickhill moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the building permits.

Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

e. Mayor Hershberger provided Council with an official offer from TJ Jefferis for the West side of the lot where he is putting up his new building on North Chestnut Street.

Mr. Yarnall motioned, seconded by Mr. Hill to transfer the property to the Belmont County Port Authority to act as our Agent in selling the property to the prospective buyer.

Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye Misner - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

f. Mayor Hershberger mentioned to Council that He spoke with JP Dutton County Commissioner on the Hendrysburg and Fairview Water Line Project that has been submitted for federal funding. Mayor Hershberger expressed our support of the project and our intent to sell them water.

g. Councilman Steven Hill presented to Council a draft copy of a lease, along with a plat map and description, with Warren Township for their use of Village property on Pultney Avenue. A discussion was held on working out the details of the lease. Mr. Myser to amend the lease and prepare an Ordinance authorizing Mayor Hershberger to sign the lease at the next Council Meeting with Council's approval.

10 Old Business

a. Scott Wolfe approached Council with his concerns of putting a speed bump on North Gardner Street and his concerns over School Zoning at the Elementary School on West Church Street. Street-Alley-Sidewalk Committee to meet and review the ORC.

Mr. Wolfe was disruptive to our meeting during his time and was removed from the meeting by Police Chief Sirianni.

b. Mayor Hershberger provided Council with a Bid Packet for the second round of Gas and Oil Leasing options, which includes approximately 200 acres.

c. Jimmy Grear reminded Council that the Warren Township and Barnesville Community Clean-up Day will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at the Barnesville Depot from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, volunteers are needed.

d. Councilman Terry McCort discussed with Council the Village Loan Program. Mr. McCort mentioned the upcoming maturing CD with Woodsfield Savings Bank that could be set aside for the Program. Council agreed there are a few more details to work out, but are in favor of the Project. Bill Knox Economic Development Director suggested giving all the local banks an opportunity to participate. A lengthy discussion was held.

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to transfer the maturing CD at Woodsfield Savings Bank to a money market account.

Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye McCort - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

11 New Business

a. Mayor Hershberger informed Council that a "One Time Strategic Community Investment Fund Grant" was submitted today for a new roof for the depot by OMEGA and Lakeside Grants.

b. Mayor Hershberger announced that a Work Session will be held prior to the first Council Meeting of every month at 6:00 pm.

c. Greg Batts informed Council that the fourth annual Airport Day will take place Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

d. Luke Johnson mentioned that the Architectural Review Board is working on a design for a plaque for every building in the historical district with possibly "Where History meets Progress" logo, along with information about the building to create more of a historical walk through the town, and they may approach the Village for financial assistance in the future.

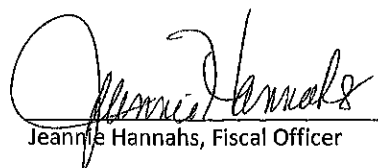
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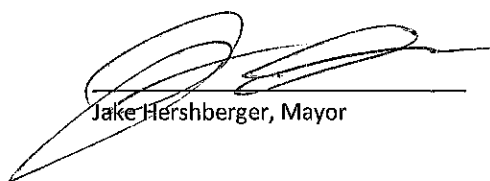
13 Adjournment

a. Mr. McCort made a motion to Adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Tickhill at 8:18 pm.

McCort - Aye Misner - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Aye Hill - Aye

Motion carried 6-0


Jeannie Hannahs, Fiscal Officer


Jake Hershberger, Mayor