

# Mechanicsburg Regular Council Minutes

6:30 PM DEC 16th, 2024

Jason Aldelsberger, Chip Wibright, Billy Cobbs, Lori Tibbals, Charles Hickey, Dusty Hurst, Joe Jimenez, Alix Good, Roger Brake

## Call to Order

**Roll Call** All members were present except Scott Wilson and Chuck Foss

## Pledge of Allegiance

**Public Participation Approval of Minutes Regular Council 12/2/24.** A motion by Billy Cobbs and seconded by Charles Hickey. The Motion passed Unanimously

## Fiscal Officer Report 12-16-24:

Check Register with checks from #58473 to #58515 and electronic warrants was provided to and signed by Council during the meeting.

Fund Balance Report through December 15, 2024 was distributed to Council at the meeting. Motion to accept the Fund Balance report was made by Chuck Hickey and seconded by Billy Cobbs. Motion passed unanimously.

A copy of the Bank reconciliation for November 30 2024 was distributed to Council for signatures during the meeting.

Ordinance #24-06 was presented to Council and declared a third reading. This Ordinance establishes the creation of a Police Operating Fund to allow for better tracking of police department revenue and expenses and the separate accumulation of funds for the Police department. Motion to accept Ordinance 24-06 was made by Billy Cobbs and seconded by Chuck Hickey. Motion passed unanimously.

Appropriation Measure 24-08 was presented to and discussed with Council. This Appropriation Measure appropriates the FINAL 2024 revenue and expenses currently in UAN and approved and adjusted throughout 2024. Appropriation Measure 24-08 was made by Charles Hickey and seconded by Chip Wibright. Motion passed unanimously.

Appropriation Measure 24-09 was presented to and discussed with Council. This Appropriation Measure appropriates the initial Permanent Budget for 2025 revenue and



expenses. Appropriation Measure 24-09 was made by Billy Cobbs and seconded by Lori Tibbals. Motion passed unanimously.

Fiscal Officer noted that Fund 2151 Coronavirus Relief Fund and Fund 2152 American Rescue Plan Act Fund will be closed due to inactivity, a zero balance and because no further revenue dollars are expected from these sources. Per Local Government Services (Ohio), no Council approval or Mayor signature is needed to authorize Fiscal Officer to close a fund in such status.

Fiscal Officer noted the intention to move \$1,000,000 from the Village's checking account to the ICS (savings) account to earn additional interest while held in reserve and not needed for current operations.

A motion to authorize a required and appropriated transfer from the General Fund to the Street Fund in the amount of \$20,000 was made by Charles Hickey and seconded by Billy Cobbs. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Village Administrator Report**

### **Zoning Officer Report**

Dusty spoke about a fence that was approved at the last BZA meeting. Has also announced to the group that there is an open seat on the board. Dusty recommended Jodi Compton for this empty seat. Chip believes that this needs to be posted. Jason also agreed that we need to post the position first.

**Safety** Patrick presented the 3 year Prosecution Agreement for the sum of 50k per year. Billy Cobbs wanted to know if we are getting your money's worth and why so much. Patrick explained that the Village is 40% of the caseload for the entire county. A motion by Charles Hickey and second by Billy Cobbs for approval of the contract. The motion passed unanimously

Approval of the 5 year Fire contract for the Village of Mutual for the sum of \$8800 per year. A motion by Billy Cobbs and second by Charles Hickey. The motion passed unanimously.

Patrick also spoke about a pedestrian getting hit at Race/Main.

## **Building**

R.B.

Scott Deane

B. Cobb

Charles E. Fenn

Charles H. Fenn

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**Street & Utilities** Roger, presented Upgrading Street lights from a 42 watt to an 87 watt that would cost the Village approximately \$8000 for 80 light fixtures and an additional monthly service charge of \$3 per fixture. Charles Hickey agrees that it would be a great thing for the Village. A motion by Lori Tibbals and seconded by Chip Wibright. The motion passed unanimously.

Roger, also presented the need for a new plow truck with the oldest one is now 26 years old and needs major work. I was able to obtain 3 quotes for a fully equipped plow truck that is turnkey from a dealership with the lowest bid around 90k. The group decided to table the conversion and would like me to get separate quotes for the Village to purchase the chassis and for us to have it equipped. Roger agreed to send it back out for quotes.

### **Ordinance and Resolutions**

**Ord 24-06** 3rd reading special fund for tracking Police Dept expenses. A motion by Billy Cobbs and seconded by Charles Hickey. The motion passed unanimously.

**RES 24-11** 3rd reading pertaining to special event regulations. A motion by Charles Hickey and seconded by Billy Cobbs. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Communications**

Jason, asked the group if there were any need for changes for the sub committee positions.

### **Unfinished Business**

**Executive Session** A motion by Charles Hickey and seconded by Billy Cobbs to enter ES To discuss a legal matter at 7:21. A roll call was performed for all present except Scott Wilson and Chuck Foss. A motion to leave ES was made by Chip Wibright and seconded Lori Tibbals at 7:36

**Motion to Adjourn** A motion was made by Lori Tibbals and seconded by Charles Hickey. The motion passed unanimously.

**Officers:** Mayor Jason Adelsberger, Village Administrator Roger Brake, Fiscal Officer Dan Eck, Zoning Inspector Dusty Hurst, and Solicitor Joe Jimenez

**Council Members:** Scott Wilson, Charles Hickey, Lori Tibbals, Chip Wibright, Chuck Foss and Billy Cobbs.

