

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COUNCIL MEETING

Held April 4, 2023

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The Council convened at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Office. Mayor Jim Nelson called the Council session to order with the following members present:

COUNCIL: Jim Nelson, Mark Wicker, Elaine McFarland, Cheryl Friend, Dean Mosier, David Lockhart, Jim Detter, Jesse Mann

Guest: Liz Baker, Scott Santos, Kathy Windborne

The audience and council were reminded to silence all cell phones. The audience was informed that they were to state their names any time they wanted to talk during the community comments and requests section of the meeting or at any other time during the meeting.

Council was reminded to state their names when making a motion and when they seconded the motion. The person making the motion would write the motion down so it could be read again prior to a vote and then the written motion would be given to the Fiscal Officer for the record.

MINUTES

Jim Detter made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for March 7, 2024 Dave Lockhart seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – abstain,
Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 5-1 abstain**

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Amee from the library can not be here this evening. Amee wanted to let everyone know that Susie Bibler, Development Director of the Delaware County Foundation will be our guest speaker at the April 25th meeting of the Friends of Ashley. We will meet at 5 pm at Harrison Place (119 E. High Street, Joe Clase's new business). Jim Nelson indicated that the new sign has been approved for Franklin Street.

Josie is here from the Health Department. Renee copied flyers for everyone's packet. Josie briefly went over the community profile for the Village of Ashley and Delaware County. She also indicated there is a Pool Operators Class on May 11th from 9-12:00. Kathy Winbourne plans to attend. Josie spoke about the mini-grant that we are in the running for. She will let Dave Lockhart know who will receive the funds. Jim indicated he has been working with the Health Department on several properties in the village that need attention. A gentleman in the village has purchased a few old houses and torn them down and will put new houses on the property.

Kathy Winbourne plans to run for the council when Elaine retires from office. She also wondered if we could install some type of steps to get up to the reservoir. Some discussion went on regarding this and it can not be done as we can not dig into the reservoir hill. Kathy lives next door and the gutter on our building is not draining and overflowing into her yard. Jim will get the guys to check on that first thing tomorrow and get it fixed. Thanks for bringing that to our attention.

Renee ask Liz about the speech she is giving at the library tomorrow. Her speech is on Railroad history. We may want Liz to do it for our council and residents that want to come. Sounds really interesting. She explained some of the history that was a wonderful story.

Renee met with Kate Nelson from First Commonwealth. Our interest rate dropped to .15% in 2020 and was told by the bank it was due to covid. Well, Kate increased our rate to 3%. So the interest that we received last month was \$2,112 instead of \$250. Which is great.

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We received an OWDA loan for the WWTP. We financed \$720,722 but we only received \$701,441. So we received a letter stating they were going to reconfigure the loan on the actual money received, minus the payments we made, etc. so our payment will be lower than what it is now.

FISCAL OFFICER

Cheryl Friend made a motion to approve the March 2023 bank rec. Jim Detter seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 5-0abs

POLICE –

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/GRANTS –

PERSONNEL –

PARKS & RECS –

ZONING –

SAFETY STREETS & ALLEYS –

NEWSLETTER –

Resolution 2023-007 – Lifeguard and Manager Pay

Mark Wicker moved to suspend the rules, and David Lockhart seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs

David Lockhart moved to declare an emergency Dean Mosier seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs

Jim Detter moved to adopt, Dean Mosier seconded

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs

Resolution 2023-008 – New Person assigned to sign checks

Cheryl Friend moved to suspend the rules, and Mark Wicker seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs

Mark Wicker moved to declare an emergency David Mosier seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs

Jim Detter moved to adopt, Cheryl Friend seconded

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs

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Resolution 2023-009 – Remove Prior submission for General Fund

Cheryl Friend moved to suspend the rules, and Mark Wicker seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs**

Mark Wicker moved to declare an emergency David Mosier seconded.

**Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Penny Bennett – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes,
Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs**

Jim Detter moved to adopt, Cheryl Friend seconded

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Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter – yes. Motion passed 6-0abs**

Cheryl Friend made a motion to pay the bills, and Mark Wicker seconded.

Jim Detter made the motion to adjourn until May 2, 2023, and Dean Mosier seconded.

Jim Nelson, Mayor

Renee Rarick