

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COUNCIL MEETING

Held January 3, 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, Elaine McFarland, Chery Friend, Dean Mosier, David Lockhart, .
Abs – Mark Wicker, Jim Detter, Jesse Mann
Guest: Liz Baker, Scott Santos, Ameer Sword, 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

Cheryl Friend made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for December 6, 2022. David Lockhart seconded.

**Roll Call: Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes,
David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Liz talked to Randy about replacing the fire hydrants. The one by her house that is getting replaced she wanted to know if it could be moved away from the driveway so Liz does not hit it again in her car. Randy knows and will move it when it is replaced.

Ameer from the library indicated they have started the winter reading club. Jan 9 – Feb 17. Who is Yeti to read? Helping Yeti find his way to the library. There are game boards at the library you can pick up. Complete the activities and get entered into a raffle. We will have 4 age groups. Jan 31st at 6:00 meeting to start a friends group. One is to fundraise and to organize the levy when we go on the ballot.

Josie is not here this evening.

Jim spoke to the people at 14 E High street, they have paid their deposit for water and are working inside the building. There are people moving into the old bank. We heard it is a rug company. Don't know if they will be making rugs or what.

FISCAL OFFICER

Bank Rec for November 30th. Renee explained the checks that did not get cashed, Renee put a stop payment on them and re-issued. Then sent them with a letter to the individuals. Cheryl Friend made a motion to approve the November 2022 bank rec. Elaine McFarland seconded.

**Roll Call: Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes,
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Renee stated she is working on year end etc. Will be sending out W2's ect.

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POLICE – Scott went over December report and explained some of the calls. Ray still says his cars are sold and is getting parts out of them.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/GRANTS – Jim sent information to OHM on 2 trillion dollar infrastructure grants available January 1, 2023. Maybe little Ashley could get some money.

PERSONNEL – Dean did not have any thing to report. Jim indicated that the reviews were complete if Dean wanted to pick up and review. He stated he would get them after the meeting.

PARKS & RECS – Elaine indicated this is her 1st meeting of her last year on council. Elaine needs to find someone to take over the pool and the fishing events. Elaine ask Dean if he had any information on the pool cleaner. He does not have any information on it yet. He will get her something in a week. Renee suggested we get a new one, because we don't want it to break during the season and not be able to get a replacement. Kathy Windborne indicated she "might" be interested. She wants more information on how much time does it take?

Zoning – Jim Nelson has been talking to the mayor of Marengo. Jesse would like to be the zoning person for Marengo and Ashley. Jim's concern is they want to pay \$350 per village. Maybe we can discuss pay according to the permits we receive. That is how we paid Mitch. Jesse also started the food pantry this month.

SAFETY STREETS & ALLEYS – We made it thru the winter storm. The guys did a good job keeping the roads clean. Of course we had facebook complainers, which doesn't surprise us. The big thing was the salt didn't work due to how cold it was. Kinda messed up the holidays.

NEWSLETTER – The newsletter went out with a lot of good information.

Jesse is scheduled to attend the next regional planning meeting. Which is January 26, 2023.

We did receive an update from TJ. There is a problem with communication with the pumps. He is not getting notification when there is an issue. TJ is working on that. If he does not have his phone then how is he getting notifications anyway? There was an issue at the pump station at the EMS station. Mark replaced the battery and there was something else installed that notify if the battery goes bad. Renee has a list of items that TJ wants to order. We had the equipment but it broke, so TJ is using his own. The total cost of these items are almost \$4,000. What is the latest contract we have on TJ. Renee will look

Rules of Council 2023- Cheryl made a motion to approve the rules of council. David Lockhart seconded.

**Roll Call: Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes,
David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs**

There was discussion to nominate a President of Council. Cheryl Friend would like to keep David Lockhart as president of council and David accepted the position. Dean Mosier seconded the motion.

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2023-001 – City of Delaware Prosecutor Fees

Cheryl Friend moved to suspend the rules, Dean Mosier seconded.

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David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs**

Elaine McFarland moved to declare an emergency David Lockhart seconded.

**Roll Call: Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes,
David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs**

David Mosier moved to adopt, Dean Mosier seconded

**Roll Call: Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes,
David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs**

2023-002 – Rinehart Renewal Contract (Ohio Risk Plan)

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

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David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs**

Dean Mosier moved to declare an emergency David Lockhart seconded.

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David Lockhart – yes, Motion passed 4, 0, 2 Abs**

Jesse Mann will attend the January 26th Regional Planning Meeting. Jim will send Jesse the information on the next meeting.

Cheryl Friend made motion to pay the bills, Dean Mosier seconded.

Dean Mosier made the motion to adjourn until February 7, 2023, Cheryl Friend seconded.

Jim Nelson, Mayor

Renee Rarick