# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING VILLAGE OF LYNCHBURG, OHIO January 4, 2024

Mayor Jamie Burton called the Council meeting to order at 6:30pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by all.

Roll Call was taken by Fiscal Officer Kelli Rosselott. Council Members in attendance were Marty Bailey, Chris Hamlin, Dave Minton, Judy Davis, Tagg Pendleton, and Chris Toller.

A motion was made by Tagg Pendleton and seconded by Chris Hamlin, to open nominations for President of Council. Motion passed 6-0. Marty Bailey was nominated for President of Council

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A motion was made by Chris Hamlin and seconded by Tagg Pendleton, to close nominations for President of Council. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Dave Minton and seconded by Marty Bailey, to accept Marty Bailey as President of Council. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Chris Hamlin and seconded by Dave Minton, to go into Executive Session at 6:37 to Discuss 2024 Personnel Raises. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Chris Hamlin and seconded by Dave Minton, to Return from Executive Session at 7:04.

The Police Reports for November and December 2023 were presented by Police Chief Richard Warner. Chief Warner emphasized the 16 arrests made in November and 7 arrests in December. There were significant patrol miles; 1076 in November and 1321 December. It is evident that the Police Department has had a strong presence in the community. There was confirmation that the recently passed Policy Levy was a renewal and not a replacement. Please see enclosed for a copy of the full report.

Member of the Community member, Roger Taulbee, apologized to Chief Warner for the past negative Facebook posts and comments.

A motion was made by Marty Bailey and seconded by Dave Minton, to approve the 2024 Personnel Raises - 4.5% to all employees except Officer Casey Cecil (Robert Gabriel is exempt) and \$1.00 an hour increase to Officer Cecil. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Dave Minton and seconded by Chris Hamlin, to approve the December 9, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes. Chris Toller abstained. Motion passed 5-0.

The Village Administrators Report for 12/15/23-1/4/243 was presented by Village Administrator, Ashley Campbell. Please see enclosed for a copy of the full detailed report.

The Fiscal Report for December 2023 was presented by Fiscal Officer, Kelli Rosselott. The receipts for December were \$83,762.99. The payments for December were \$81,108.82. Revenue over expenses for December 2023 were \$2,654.17. The Financial Audit for years 2021-2022 is officially complete. Please see enclosed for a copy of full detailed reports.

The Finance Committee Report for December 2023 was presented by Judy Davis. The meeting was held on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00pm, before the Council Meeting. In attendance were Committee Members Judy Davis, Chris Hamlin, & Fiscal Officer Kelli Rosselott. All financial reports for December 2023 were reviewed. There was no questions or concerns. The meeting adjourned at 6:28pm and the next meeting will be on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00pm.

A motion was made by Dave Minton and seconded by Marty Bailey, to approve the Financials for December 2023. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Dave Minton and seconded by Chris Hamlin, to allow the approved 2024 Personnel raises to go into effect on January 14, 2024. Motion passed 6-0.

#### **Old Business:**

Short Street discussion will be held at the next Public Works Meeting on February 1, 2024.

#### **New Business:**

A motion was made by Dave Minton and seconded by Tagg Pendleton, to Waive the 3-Reading Rule for Ordinance 2024-01 An Ordinance Approving, Adopting, and Enacting American Legal Publishing's Ohio Basic Code 2024. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Tagg Pendleton and seconded by Chris Hamlin, to accept Ordinance 2024-01 An Ordinance Approving, Adopting, and Enacting American Legal Publishing's Ohio Basic Code 2024. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Tagg Pendleton and seconded by Dave Minton, to Nominate Marty Baily to Represent the Village on the Lynchburg Fire Board. Motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by Chris Hamlin and seconded by Tagg Pendleton, to close Fire Board Nominations and accept Marty Bailey as Fire Board representative. Motion passed 6-0.

## **Committee Chair Appointments:**

• The Public Works and Parks, Recreation Economic Development Committee-

Meets 1st Thursday of every month at 6:00pm

Chairperson: Ashley Campbell, Committee Members: All Council Members

• Council Meetings-

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month following the Finance Meeting at approximately 6:30pm

• Finance Committee-

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:00pm

Chairperson: Judy Davis, Committee Members: Chris Hamlin and Chris Toller

## Petitions from the Council or Public:

Roger Taulbee, discussed a situation at the residence of 320 Short Street. He inquired if the Village had any ordinances or codes pertaining to boarding houses. Rodents have been seen running in and out of the home. The house appears to be falling apart and in poor condition. There has been suspicious activity in the late evening and early morning hours. The Sheriff's department has been involved. Mr. Taulbee wanted to voice his concerns and bring this information to Mayor & Councils attention.

## The meeting adjourned at 7:39PM