

VILLAGE OF FARMERSVILLE
Minutes of Village Council Meeting

July 10th, 2023

On Monday July 10th, 2023 The Farmersville Village Council met in regular session. Mayor Nick Lamb called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and followed by roll call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Holderman, Mr. Depew, Mr. Craig, Mr. Lewis.

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Derek Shell, Kelly Marascio

OTHERS PRESENT: Kirsten Knight, Sergeant Bruner, Chief Erisman

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Depew seconded to approve the meeting minutes of June 12th, 2023. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig, yes, Mr. Lewis, abstain. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Lewis seconded to approve the bills for this period 113-137-2023 and warrants 36722-36859 totaling \$80,988.28. Roll Call: Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Lewis; yes. MOTION PASSED.

VISITOR COMMENTS: none

POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: Sergeant Bruner reports the department has received numerous firework complaints. Sergeant Bruner asked if the police department could use an area near the sewer plant for a shooting range. He would ask nearby residents if they had any concerns. Currently the Jackson Township police use a shooting range in German Township.

FIRE ASSOCIATION COMMENTS: Chief Erisman reports the Fire Association will hold the annual bbq chicken dinner on August 6th. The community church service will be held at 10:00am. Chief Erisman reports that a fish fry with New Lebanon Fire Department and the "old timers" will be held on July 22nd. Chief Erisman reports the Farmersville Fire Association will be participating in a med flight training on July 17th. Chief Erisman reports any residents that have old flags can drop the flags off at the firehouse and the Fire Association will make sure they are disposed of properly. Chief Erisman announced that the Farmersville Fire Association recognized by The Department of Defense for "willingness to work with employers".

LAW DIRECTOR COMMENTS: none

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Ms. Marascio reports that the West Center St phase IV accounting needs to be finalized. The fund was \$-153,006.67. Ms. Marascio will ask council to vote on a resolution in order to finalize The West Center St Phase 4 fund. On September 27, 2021, the Village Council requested that expenses be allocated to the Water and Sewer funds when appropriate, which has been completed. The Village Council also requested that American Rescue Plan Act Funds and General Funds be transferred into the West Center Street Phase 4 Project Fund to finalize the project. Realizing now, that transferring ARPA funds is inappropriate, all the remaining funds must come from the General Fund. After allocating appropriate funds to the water and sewer funds there was a balance of - \$44,163.39. There were also initial advances made from the general fund to the West Center St Phase 4 project fund that still needed to be repaid. These advances totaled \$12,907.21. Therefore, it is necessary to transfer \$57,070.60 from the General fund to the West Center Street Phase 4 Project Fund.

Ms. Marascio suggests the Village implement an adjustment policy for utility billing. Currently, she would adjust the sewer portion of the utility bill if the water used did not go through the village sewer system. For example, filling pools or watering flowers. She currently uses the rate of .0054 per gallon when determining adjustments. She asked the finance committee to come up with an adjustment policy that coincides with the current rate.

MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Lamb reports that The Village of Farmersville has been asked to give \$1000.00 for starter money to help celebrate America's 250th birthday in 2026. This would be a surrounding community celebration, including Germantown, German Township, Valley View Schools and Germantown Historical Society. Council members would like to know more information before donating.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Mr. Shell announced that he would like to list the Ferris zero turn as surplus and list on govdeals.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to allow Mr. Shell to place The Ferris zero turn on govdeals. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Lewis; yes. MOTION PASSED

Mr. Shell reports he has been working on a grant for Elm St. sidewalk. New pumps have been installed at the Hemple Rd. lift station. Mr. Shell reports filter bed 1 is complete, bed 4 needs to be done. Mr. Shell reports there is a remaining \$5000.00 of grant money left, he would like to use it to finish bed 4.

Mr. Holderman moved, Mr. Cunningham seconded to allow Mr. Shell to use the remaining \$5000.00 grant money to finish filter bed 4 at the water treatment plant. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Lewis; yes. MOTION PASSED.

FISCAL OFFICERS REPORT: Ms. Marascio reports the appropriations will need to be amended because the Village needs to pay 1/3 of a mower for the park. This purchase was not in the 2023 budget.

LEGISLATION:

Mayor Lamb read R2023-02, a resolution transferring \$57,070.60 from the General Fund to The West Center Street Phase 4 Project fund and declaring this an emergency measure.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve R2023-02. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Lewis; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Lamb read the second reading of O2023-08, an ordinance to raise the refuse rate paid by the Village of Farmersville's residents for trash removal service.

Mayor Lamb read O2023-09, an ordinance to amend the permanent appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of The Village of Farmersville, Montgomery County, State of Ohio, During the fiscal year ending December 31,2023 and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to approve O2023-09. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Lewis; yes. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none


ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

All formal actions of the **Council** and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ADJOURN: Mr. Cunningham moved, Mr. Holderman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Roll Call: Mr. Cunningham; yes, Mr. Holderman; yes, Mr. Depew; yes, Mr. Craig; yes, Mr. Lewis; yes. MOTION PASSED.

Attest:


Finance/ Tax Administrator, Kelly Marascio


Mayor, Nick Lamb