

March 4, 2024

The Fredericktown Village Council met in regular session on March 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Fredericktown Municipal Building.

**PRESENT:** Council Members Brewer, de Rojas, Hobson, Lanuzza, McKnight and Shoemaker; Police Chief Myers; Administrator Snell; Fiscal Officer Graves.

Mayor Day called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** Jerry Ernst, Cornerstone Community Church.

**MINUTES:**

Lanuzza made a motion to approve the February 20, 2024 Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Brewer. Brewer, Hobson, Lanuzza, McKnight, yea. de Rojas and Shoemaker abstained.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

- Scott Zimmerman, candidate for Knox County Commissioner, introduced himself to Council and meeting attendees.
- David Fry recently submitted letter to the Village Council from his attorney regarding the Zoning Board of Appeals. He does not feel the Village is following zoning regulations per the Ohio Revised Code. He also asked if the Village tracks assets. Administrator Snell and de Rojas have been working on Asset Management since last year.
- Helen Fry still has concerns about the Village Council, administration and staff following the codes, laws, rules and processes in all areas put in place by Ohio Revised Code, Council legislation, Rules of Council, etc.
- Rachel Mackall, just sold Door 142 Restaurant. She felt that Village Council did not support her in the nine years she had her restaurant open. She would like the Village Council communicate and support businesses better in Fredericktown.
- Mike Reiss asked about a rumor that Council was changing the Rules of Council that would allow Council Members to be employed by the Village. Mayor told him this was not accurate, there has been no discussion regarding the question he asked.

**LEGISLATION**

*(First Reading)* **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-06 - A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A RENEWAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUING CURRENT OPERATIONS**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Review Rules of Council – de Rojas is working on.
- Subdivision Regulations – Look into having Wendi from Compass Point to review.
- Hobson asked how much revenue we have received from the EV chargers, as well as the electric expense. Fiscal Officer Graves noted we have received around \$30.00 in revenue the past two quarters. She will get more information about electric expense and will share with council at next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- ODOT and Smith Paving Representatives will be here for Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Streetscape Construction that begins this month.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:** None

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT:**

- Received 4 new applications for open patrolmen positions.
- Neighborhood Watch Meeting – March 19 at 6:30 p.m.

**ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:** None

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Next meeting, to be determined.

**FINANCE AND SAFETY:**

- Discussed purchase of the new Village vehicle and a new police cruiser. Police department will not get the cruiser until later in the year, or possibly early 2025. The current vehicle the Administrator and Village employees use is a 2012 Chevrolet Tahoe that needs replaced. Lanuzza made a motion to purchase a 2024 Chevrolet Equinox and Trade in 2012 Chevrolet Tahoe for the final cost of \$23,938.80. The cost to be split equally from the General, Water, and Sewer funds. Seconded by Shoemaker. All yea.
- Next meeting, March 18.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Next meeting, March 18.

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT** – Hobson made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Shoemaker. All Yea.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

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Mayor Jerry Day

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Suzan Graves, Fiscal Officer