

Regular Session of Village Council

March 14, 2023; 6:30 pm

Call to Order

The Regular Session of Council was called to order by Mayor York Bryant. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Roll Call was completed by Solicitor, John Kaspar. The following members were present.

Kiley Dane

Jim Frederick

Mike McKeehan

Mitchell Fisher

Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh

Ben Steiner

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion to approve February 14, 2023 Regular Session made by Fisher; second by Frederick. All ye.

Reports / Legislation from Village Officials

Monthly Village Fiscal Revenue Status by Fund Summary, Bank Reconciliation and Disbursements, Mayor's Court Report and Bank Reconciliation were provided for Council.

Jones Warner Consultants – Joe Zistler

Mr. Zistler updated council that the Second Phase of the Lead Study and the Protection of the Source Water Plan have both been submitted to Ohio EPA. Mr. Zistler provided council with a report regarding the Drainage Assessment for the Village of Morrow Eastern Corridor. Recommendations are outlined in the handout.

Village Officials

The Mayor recognized Mrs. Judy Wilson for donating handmade miniature houses to the Village. Mrs. Wilson also made the wreath for Officer Phegley's memorial. Mr. Dave Wilson asked if the Village would look into his flooding issue due to water running off of the cemetery hill and not reaching the drainage pipe that is located near the issue.

The Mayor discussed the opportunity to allow golf carts in the Village. Solicitor Kaspar has looked into this matter and will send information to council before the next meeting and will discuss at the next meeting. The Mayor discussed placing mirrors on Front Street and at the Point.

The Mayor informed council of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Phegley Park on Saturday, April 1st at 10:00 am.

Councilman Fisher requested placing speed limit signs on Allen's Ridge near the water tower.

Council would like to order speed limit signs in the April meeting.

Solicitor Kaspar advised council to accept the property donation in the area of the Water Booster Station in the Woodlands. The Village should agree on the donation contingent on the fact that it comes with a clean title. The Village should own it if we have infrastructure on it. Solicitor Kaspar would like to contact the Engineer, Shawn Campbell, to clarify the details and then order a title abstract. Once the title comes back clean, then a Resolution will be presented to council.

Solicitor Kaspar was given information from the Chief of Police in regards to making sure that contractors that are used by the Village must show proof of insurance and indemnity in case of accidents. Kaspar will bring information back at the next meeting.

The Fiscal Officer informed council that the Drug Task Force invoice requesting a contribution has come in. Discussion followed. Motion to suspend the rules made by Frederick; second by Steiner. Motion to donate \$2,000 made by Frederick; second by Isaacs-Niemesh.

The floor was open to the public. Paul Zorn ask the Mayor and Council to consider adding a historical society in the Morrow Plaza.

Zach Ball is an entrepreneur considering the Depot as a place for his business. Upon further search of the depot, it has been discovered that a small parcel of land adjacent to the depot is still titled to the State of Ohio. Solicitor Kaspar will look into this matter and have more answers for the Village and Mr. Ball at the next meeting.

Hank Davis, resident at 101 Miami Street spoke to council in regards to the safety at the Point, the river spot at Front and Miami Streets. Mr. Davis had suggestions on how to make the point safer for those who visit. Some of those suggestions included a mirror bubble, replacing the missing fire hydrant, and a sign with some basic rules to follow.

Andrea Joffe asked council if a Facebook page for the Tree Board would be acceptable. Solicitor Kaspar suggested to use the Village website only in order to provide information regarding the Tree Board.

Adjournment

Motion by Isaacs-Niemesh to adjourn; second by Frederick. All yea.

Tina Powell, Clerk of Council
& Fiscal Officer

York Bryant, Mayor