

Village of Maineville Council Mtg.

Held at Council Chambers
8133 S. St. Rt. 48, Maineville, OH
Council Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2024
6:00 PM

Mayor Beebe called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM by everyone reciting the Pledge to the Flag.

The Invocation was given by Pastor Sage.

Those Present were:

Mayor Beebe – Yes
Councilmember - Hughes – Yes
Councilmember – Billups – Yes
Councilmember – Drook – Yes
Councilmember – Humphries - No
Councilmember – Williams – Yes
Councilmember – Tomsic – Yes

Motion to excuse Councilmember Humphries was made by Councilmember Drook and seconded by Councilmember Tomsic. Motion to excuse Councilmember Humphries was unanimous in favor.

Motion to approve the February 8, 2024 meeting minutes was made by Councilmember Hughes, seconded by Councilmember Williams. Roll call vote to approve the minutes was unanimous in favor.

Motion was made to amend the agenda, adding Street report after Zoning and adding the motion to vote on a new mower after the Public Comments portion of the agenda. Motion to amend the agenda was made by Councilmember Drook and seconded by Councilmember Billups. Roll call vote to amend the agenda, as noted, was unanimous in favor.

Motion to approve the February 8, 2024, agenda, as amended, was made by Councilmember Williams, seconded by Councilmember Tomsic. Roll call vote to approve the agenda, as amended, was unanimous in favor.

Guests – Major Arrasmith – WC Drug Task Force – Annual Report

Police – Chief Hughes spoke in place of Asst Chief Short. HTPD does have a department member that is a member of the WCDTF. February stats lined up with January. Seth Garrison started training this week with Officer Darcy. They hope to have a second officer starting soon. Officers have done their firearms qualifications. There will be a swearing in ceremony for police and fire on the 20th. All are welcome to attend. This will also be Kurt Weber's last meeting with the township. HTPD had drills at the schools for emergencies. Also, all officers are wearing body cameras. They are in the early stages of looking into purchasing a drone. For now, they have access to that technology through WCSO. One option might be to connect the drone footage to the K-9 officer as they search.

Zoning – Report provided by Cathy Walton was given by Mayor Beebe. There were 3 new permits. There was one violation. For 10 public lots on Sandhill Drive, the request was denied.

Street – New street commissioner, John Mullikin, provided the street report. He will be working Monday through Thursday from 8:00 – 2:00. He will be driving the Village each morning looking for any obstructions or thing that needs addressed. Mowing will begin within the next two weeks. The current mower does not run well and has flat tires. The fiscal officer had budgeted for a new mower in 2024. Mr. Mullikin obtained 3 quotes on different mowers. He requested Council vote on the best mower with the 4-year maintenance program. If the mower does not run, they'll come pick it up. The amount of the mower is \$9,967.20 (\$7,891.20+\$2,076). John will also be replacing all of the flags downtown.

Mayor – Maintown will be opening sometime in May. He recently toured Krimmer's and things are moving along. We will be adding the new parking lot as soon as they get scheduled.

Committees -

Event Committee – Patricia spoke to Nicole about upcoming events and things are coming along well. The event committee will be meeting next week. Mary Beth will be noticing the meeting.

Planning Commission – Doug Drook wasn't sure if they'd be meeting in March.

Council

None

Fiscal

Financials for February 2024, were provided by fiscal officer, Mary Beth Campbell.

February's beginning balance of the General fund was \$656,556.38. February's receipts were \$70,144.21. February's payments were \$63,355.59. The February ending balance for the General fund was \$663,633.50. The ending overall balance for February was \$1,783,471.08.

Payments were made to solicitor fees, WCDTF, Choice One, and Source One.

Mrs. Campbell attended the annual meeting with the Warren County TIF Review Council. The Council asked if any of the TIF money had been expended for the public infrastructure use as noted in the TIF. She informed them that none has been expended, but we were in discussions/negotiations with Hopkins Commons.

Motion to approve the February fiscal officer report was made by Councilmember Billups and seconded by Councilmember Hughes. Roll call to accept was unanimous in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

March was a busy month. She and Mary Beth met with the Ohio Tax Appeal Board. She said that Mary Beth was the witness for Maineville and did well.

There has also been a lot of zoning work. There was a meeting with the township administrator and law director. This was to make sure that we are on the same page. She also reiterated that if there is something that can be done to our zoning code that makes everything more synergistic with the township, we might look into that.

We will also be discussing the TIF with Hopkins Commons.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (*Limited to 3 minutes*) – NONE

Vote to move forward with the purchase or mower for the Maineville street department – 2022 Gravely Pro-Turn ZX Series, in the amount of \$9,967.20, and authorizing the fiscal officer to cut a check from the street fund

Motion was made by Councilmember Billups and seconded by Councilmember Williams. Roll call to approve the purchase was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-11 – Approving the Countywide 9-1-1 Plan and Declaring an Emergency

Warren County 9-1-1 committee met and approved this final plan. We are voting to approve the new plan. The deadline is April 3, 2024.

Motion to approve was made by Councilmember Drook and seconded by Councilmember Hughes. Roll call to approve was unanimous in favor.

RESOLUTION 2024-12 – Approving LCNB National Bank Amendment to Treasury Management Comprehensive Agreement for Check Positive Pay Customers and Declaring an Emergency

The fiscal officer uses positive pay to double-verify checks that are written by the Village. This was due to a fraud case back in 2019. Each time she cuts a check, she has to go to the LCNB site and enter all check numbers, payee names, and amounts. LCNB is adding more steps to the process, unless we opt out. Mrs. Campbell noted that there have been no fraud cases since the 2019 case. She prefers to keep the positive method as-is and opt-out of the more tedious process. Julie Byrne said it should be voted on by council to safeguard the fiscal officer's decision.

Motion to approve was made by Councilmember Billups and seconded by Councilmember Hughes. Roll call to approve was unanimous in favor.

Executive Session

Under Ohio Revised Code 121.22

(G)(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action

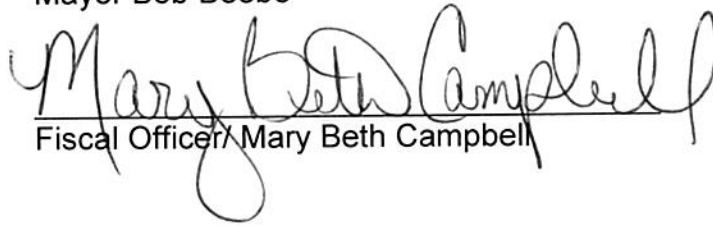
Motion to enter into executive session was made by Councilmember Billups and seconded by Councilmember Williams. Council went back into executive session at 6:57 p.m.

Motion to return from executive session with no action taken was made by Councilmember Billups and seconded by Councilmember Tomsic. Roll call to return was unanimous in favor. Council returned from executive session at 7:30 p.m. With nothing further to be presented to Council, a motion from Councilmember Billups to adjourn was seconded by Councilmember Tomsic and all Councilmembers voted to adjourn at 7:31 pm.

Adopted:



Mayor Bob Beebe



Fiscal Officer Mary Beth Campbell