

FLETCHER VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 8, 2024

7:00 P.M.

The Village of Fletcher Council met on the above date with the following members present: Deborah Sandlin, Ruth Dunkin, Marcia Hafer, Doug Niswonger, Amy Conley & Lee Eichhorn. Also present: Jason Hutson, Mayor and Julie M. Anderson, Clerk & Attorney, Andrew Wannamacher.

<u>Receipts-April</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pay-In #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Water payments		76-2024	Water-\$1,019.32
Water payments		77-2024	Water-\$156.98
Water payments		78-2024	Water-\$287.94
Water payments		80-2024	Water-\$215.00
Water payments		81-2024	Water-\$125.06
Water payments		82-2024	Water-\$1,526.25
Water payments		83-2024	Water-\$323.37
State of Ohio	Perm Tax	84-2024	Street-\$118.48
			St Hwy-\$9.61
Water payments		85-2024	Water-\$1,423.56
Water payments		86-2024	Water-\$1,254.60
State of Ohio	1 st Half TY'23 Rollbk	87-2024	General-\$358.38
			Fire-1.50 ml-\$485.18
			Amb-1.65 ml-\$221.24
			Amb-1.00 ml-\$367.28
			Fire-1.15 ml-\$185.18
Water payments		91-2024	Water-\$1,412.46
County Auditor	Local Gov't	89-2024	General-\$1,274.18
County Auditor	Local Gov't-Suppl	90-2024	General-\$351.36
Water payments		92-2024	Water-\$1,723.04
Water payments		94-2024	Water-\$1,167.54
Water payments		95-2024	Water-\$1,550.05
Water payments		96-2024	Water-\$1,012.12
State of Ohio	Excise Tax	88-2024	Street-\$1,981.98
			St Hwy-\$160.70
County Auditor	Gas Tax	93-2024	Street-\$302.54
			St Hwy-\$24.33
Water payments		97-2024	Water-\$424.92
Water payments		98-2024	Water-\$204.44
Julie M Anderson	Parade Donation	99-2024	General-\$200.00
			Joe Sampson Auctioneer \$200.00
Water payments		100-2024	Water-\$374.04
Julie M Anderson	Parade Donations	101-2024	General-\$350.00
			Teeters Products \$150.00 – Havenar Auctioneer \$100.00
Julie M Anderson	Parade Donations	103-2024	General-\$150.00
			Ruth Dunkin \$100.00 – Julie M. Anderson \$50.00
Julie M Anderson	Parade Donation	106-2024	General-\$100.00
			Jack's Garage \$100.00
5 th 3 rd Bank	Service chg credit	107-2024	General-\$12.55
			Refund GO Debt service charge \$12.55 in error by bank

Interest		104-2024	General-\$5.36 Street-\$82.69 St Hwy-\$5.33
<u>Payments-April</u>			
AES Ohio	Utilities	Ach	General-\$220.76 St Hwy-\$79.02 Water-\$958.62
UAN Fees	2 nd Qtr 2024	Ach	General-\$534.00
SD Tax	1 st Qtr 2024	Ach	General-\$27.32 Street-\$36.09 Water-\$152.76
Ohio Tax	1 st Qtr 2024	Ach	General-\$20.86 Street-\$16.56 Water-\$152.67
IRS Tax	1 st Qtr 2024	Ach	General-\$219.88 Street-\$114.27 Water-\$1,267.93
OPERS-March		Ach	General-\$75.60 Street-\$172.18 Water-\$752.40
Village of Fletcher	council-water	1647	General-\$42.98
Joe Sampson	Salary	1645	Water-\$780.00
Dustin Kemp	Salary	1644	Street-\$253.71
MASI Testing		1648	Water-\$512.55
Miami Valley Lighting, Inc.		1650	Street Lights-\$4,972.20
Mote & Associates, Inc.		1651	General-\$90.00
Buschur Electric		1652	Water-\$462.91
First Financial Bank	credit card	1656	General-\$15.31 Street-\$143.40 Water-\$195.86
Bounce Nation		1657	General-\$270.00
JSP Joint Fire District	AMB-EMS	1658	Amb-1.65 ml-\$3,773.07 Amb-1.00 ml-\$2,664.43
Fletcher Fire Dept.	Fire Services	1659	Fire-1.50 ml-\$3,125.00 Fire-1.00 ml-\$3,125.00
Environmental Engr. Service	OPWC exp	1661	ARPA-Tower Constr-\$2,037.00
Shipman, Dixon & Livingston	Atty fees-March	1649	General-\$498.75
Miami Co. Sanitary Eng.	Sewer	1646	General-\$64.69
Joe Sampson	Salary	1654	Water-\$780.00
Dustin Kemp	Salary	1653	Street-\$253.71
Shipman, Dixon & Livingston	Atty Fees-April	1655	General-\$385.00
Julie M Anderson	Salary	1660	General-\$315.00 Street-\$210.00 Water-\$1,575.00

Motion to accept minutes from March 11, 2024. Hafer moved, seconded by Eichhorn. All aye, motion carried.

Motion to pay bills – March 2024 – Conley moved, seconded by Sandlin. All aye, motion carried.

Acknowledge Residents –

1. Deputy Sheriff Blackburn was in attendance and asked if there were any concerns. Residents should notice an increase in presence because the sheriff's dept has changed their shifts to accommodate the village more. Council member Amy Conley stated that on the North side of Walnut people are parking on the sidewalk. There use to be no parking signs but they are gone.
2. Council member Lee Eichhorn has noticed the same truck coming through town everyday passing 2 & 3 cars at a time on St. Rte. 36 between 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

BPA report – \$11,521.10 March Deposits

- 0 acct shut offs
- Penalties applied - \$133.45
- 30 day accounts – 32 past due accounts \$2,792.99
- 60 day accounts – 9 accts – \$788.45 – Total due \$1,863.59
- 90 day accounts – 2 accts - \$212.59 – Total due \$605.77.
- ***Ryan Harper & Jody Niblick paid in full at house closings via TITLE CO.***
- \$14,258.56 outstanding

Additional-

- a. Nicole Fessler – 305 S. Walnut St. – 101-17700-00 – sold property to Mutual Investment Group, closed 03/22/24. Final bill pd 04/03/24 \$82.08. Jim Weaver with Mutual Investment Group will be responsible for the April water read.
- b. Bill Shively – 97 S. North St. – 101-11300-00 – sold property to Vernon Funeral Home, closed on 03/22/24. Vernon funeral Home will be responsible for the April water read.
- c. Donald Noble – 228 S. Walnut St. – 101-18800-00 – moved out of property and final bill was sent to 98 S. Walnut St. \$84.67. Mikki Alexander, owner will be responsible for the April water read.
- d. Jon Mallott – 500 Cherry Lane – 101-26900-00 – sold property, closed on 03/21/24. Sold to Scott Spath and he will be responsible for the April water read.
- e. Ryan Havenar – 204 S. Walnut St. – 101-14200-00 – sold property to Tina Dull, closed on 02/16/24. Tina will be responsible for the March water read.
- f. Jody Niblick – 59 N. North St. – 101-18400-00 – sold property, closed 03/21/24. New owner Jim Buck. Final bill paid at closing \$280.36. Jim will be responsible for April water read.
- g. Dakota Shaw – 209 W. Main St. – 101-10300-00 – Kevin Woodward purchased the property and has paid the outstanding water balance due on account in February.
- h. Ryan Harper – 203 W. First St. – 101-17200-00 – sold property to Luis Ramirez, closed on 02/23/24. Luis will be responsible for the March water read.
- i. Christopher Trabert – 308 S. Walnut St. – 101-15400-00 – sold property to Anna Puthoff, closed on 02/15/24. Anna will be responsible for the March water read.
- j. Having trouble getting READS for the following:
 - 98 S. Church St. – Wesley Thurman – 101-12200-00
 - 601 S. Walnut St. – Steve Deisher – 101-12300-00
 - 106 E. Second St. – William Moore – 101-13100-00
 - 505 S. Walnut St. – Morgan Titus – 101-12600-00
 - 8 W. Main St. Brenda Marker – 101-16700-00
 - 228 S. Walnut St. – Donald Noble – 101-18800-00

Motion Resolution 2024-11 – Sandlin moved, seconded by Hafer to transfer \$800.00 in April to Enterprise Debt Service Fund to – 5721-931-0000 – Transfer In Account for a total of \$8,800.00 held aside for June 1 debt obligation. All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-12 – Approve Quote from NECO – Dunkin moved, seconded by Sandlin to approve the quote from NECO – Neptune Equipment Company – to upgrade to Neptune 360 which includes belt clip transceiver, annual subscription, set-up & integration and on-site training for a total cost of \$8,375.00. A Trimble Ranger credit of \$2,500.00 is included in the price. The vote was as follows: Sandlin; aye, Dunkin; aye, Hafer; aye, Niswonger; abstain, Conley; aye, Eichhorn; aye. 5 ayes, 1 abstain, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-13 – Clerk Treasurer salary increase & Water Billing Clerk increase – Conley moved, seconded by Niswonger to approve a salary increase for the Clerk-Treasurer position and Water Billing Clerk position.

Clerk-Treasurer – effective 05/01/24 - \$2,000.00 per month---

General Fund – Paid at 15% of salary - \$300.00 per month	\$3,600.00 per year
Street Fund - Paid at 10% of salary - \$200.00 per month	\$2,400.00 per year
Water Fund - Paid at 75% of salary - \$1,500.00 per month	\$18,000.00 per year

Water Billing Clerk – effective 05/01/24 - \$1,000.00 per month

Water Fund – Paid at 100% of salary - \$1,000.00 per month \$12,000.00 per year

All aye, motion carried. (copy of clerk-treasurer letter to council attached and made a part of these permanent minutes).

Street –

1. Truck repair – ABS light coming on – Estimate to repair the ABS issue is \$914.57. Hart's wants to remove & replace the mass air flow sensor. They feel that this is now a new problem and not something they caused. Dustin paid for the diagnostic testing and brought the truck back to the village. We have 3 options 1) Go with Hart's recommendation 2) shut off the ABS warning light altogether 3) Hart's could try replacing a part of the sensor and hope that works for a cheap price but, may not work. For a 2003 truck I'm not sure where the village wants to go on this.

Mayor, Jason Hutson will work on getting a couple other estimates to look at the ABS problem.

2. Clean up brush behind Joe Barnthouse's property by the cemetery. Council member, Amy Conley could not determine where the area was that the brush is at that needs to be hauled out.

Dave Bodey, resident offered to take Amy back to the area and then we can get with the Crons.

3. Update on street signs return with Econo Signs – Have not seen a refund yet. Mayor needs to reach out to Econo Sign and find out what the problem is. Paid by credit card \$1,138.46 on 02/05/24. Paid credit card bill on 03/09/24 check #1634.

Mayor, Jason Hutson will get with Econo Signs to see what the problem is with the refund.

4. Flags need to go up – Dustin needs to put the flags up the week before Memorial Day and they should stay up until after Labor Day.
5. 228 S. Walnut St. – Mikki Alexander – Council member Ruth Dunkin mentioned how it is very hard to see beyond the tree at the edge of Mikki's rental property to move out onto the street. Mayor, Jason Hutson will contact Mikki to see if she will give the village permission to trim her tree back.
6. Ticon Paving estimate & Others – St. Rte. 36 update – Per Jerry McClannan and communication from the State Highway Dept. There is no longer any funding for state highways through the State Highway Dept. They are directing everyone to go through OPWC for funding.

Clerk-Treasurer will provide OPWC information to mayor for future funding research. To finish the paving project in the village it will be necessary to start at Church St. and follow down to the light at St. Rte. 36 and then turn left onto Walnut St. and continue to the cemetery and turn left on to Mulberry St. and continue to the Stop Sign. Choice One Engineering initially had plans to do this work.

Parks & Bldg –

1. Village Post Office Boxes – Per Wayne Harris, Piqua Postmaster – He has found a letter from Donald Snook who at some point previously owned the property on Church St. He gave full permission to the post office to place the US Gov't post office boxes on his property. He will send me a copy of the letter and I will formally send Wes Thurman a letter with a copy and instruct him to work directly with the postmaster if he has any questions. The village should not be involved.

Old Business –

- a. Code Enforcement - Terry Rose – Trash – Mayor, Jason Hutson will reach out to the Miami County Health District and follow-up on the trash issue.
- b. Planning Commission meeting requirements – Questions should be directed to Attorney Andrew Wannamacher with reference to procedures, bylaws, ORC, etc. With a 5 member board there should be a quorum with 3 people in attendance.
- c. Rumpke Dumpster – There was discussion about reserving a dumpster from Rumpke (1 time per year free of charge) for village cleanup purposes before Memorial Day 05/17/24 – 05/19/24. Mayor, Jason Hutson will contact Rumpke to schedule the dumpster to be placed at the council building.
- d. Tornado siren – We have obtained 3 estimates for the tornado siren and also 3 install quotes. We have been able to find a vendor (Sirens for Cities, Inc. Ed Wise) who can come within our grant funding of \$10,000.00 with a re-conditioned siren. The original company Sentry Siren that provided our quote at the time of application was helpful in obtaining this company and he highly recommends their work.

Consensus on council is that they agree to going with the re-conditioned siren because of the village's limits on funding.

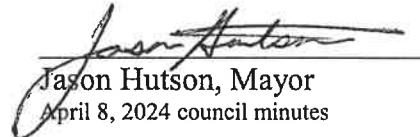
- e. Cherry Lane Subdivision – MVL recommends to install 3 street lights in the Cherry Lane Subdivision at an estimated cost of \$1,713.00. Clerk to provide reporting on this at May or June council meeting. Quote estimate is good until 12/31/24.
- f. Cherry Lane Update – Jason Levan is working on the water main issue and will get it taken care of. The problem is a clay tile that has to be moved and they can't fix it with water underneath. Joe confirmed this also to be the case.
- g. Memorial Day Parade – Update
 - 1. Need a Grand Marshall –
 - 2. Streets need cleaned
 - 3. Sent out 23 Donation letters last year
 - 4. Need a council member in charge at the cemetery. Contact people and set up. Be ready to go by 11:00 a.m. Also need a speaker.
- h. Flyer Updates for Newsletter – Need to mention or reinforce the No Burning Rule.
- i. Facebook Policy – Update – Mayor, Jason Hutson had questions to the attorney regarding the village's Facebook policy. Jason will forward his Facebook policy to Attorney, Andrew Wannamacher for review.

New Business –

- a. Garage Sale – There will not be a community garage sale this year.
- b. Home of the Month – Council member, Amy Conley will be taking over the Home of the Month.
- c. Parade Donation – Requesting the standard \$600.00 to be approved at the May council building.
- d. Flowers Donation – Requesting the standard \$200.00 to be approved at the May council meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.


Julie M. Anderson, Clerk


Jason Hutson, Mayor
April 8, 2024 council minutes