

FLETCHER VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12 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. Also present: Jason Hutson, Mayor and Julie M. Anderson, Clerk and Attorney, Grant Kerber.

<u>Receipts-February</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pay-In #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Water payments		31-2024	Water-\$1,260.89
Water payments		33-2024	Water-\$1,06.81
Water payments		34-2024	Water-\$795.12
State of Ohio	Perm Tax	32-2024	Street-\$151.47
			St Hwy-\$12.28
Water payments		35-2024	Water-\$1,078.12
Water payments		36-2024	Water-\$317.88
Water payments		37-2024	Water-\$863.16
Julie M Anderson	Fence Permit	38-2024	General-\$25.00
County Auditor	Local Gov't	41-2024	General-\$1,615.27
County Auditor	Local Gov't-Suppl	42-2024	General-\$351.36
Water payments		39-2024	Water-\$1,016.31
Water payments		40-2024	Water-\$837.69
Water payments		44-2024	Water-\$927.56
			NSF-Kendall \$77.12
Water payments		45-2024	Water-\$1,187.59
State of Ohio	Excise Tax	43-2024	Street-\$2,564.07
			St Hwy-\$207.90
County Auditor	Gas Tax	48-2024	Street-\$568.06
			St Hwy-\$46.06
Water payments		46-2024	Water-\$773.63
Water payments		47-2024	Water-\$120.00
Water payments		49-2024	Water-\$795.04
Water payments		50-2024	Water-\$582.71
Water payments		51-2024	Water-\$475.22
Ohio-EPA	1 st Request	52-2024	EPA Rev Ln-\$10,572.98
Interest		53-2024	General-\$3.42
			Street-\$73.19
			St Hwy-\$5.84
<u>Payments-February</u>		<u>Ck#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AES Ohio	Utilities	ACH	General-\$252.40
			St Hwy-\$76.63
			Water-\$1,425.55
OBWC	True-Up 2023	ACH	General-\$18.45
			Street-\$21.29
			Water-\$67.26
OPERS-January		ACH	General-\$75.60
			Street-\$172.18
			Water-\$752.40
Village of Fletcher	council-water	1619	General-\$42.98

Joe Sampson	Salary	1618	Water-\$780.00
Dustin Kemp	Salary	1617	Street-\$253.71
MAST Testing		1620	Water-\$641.55
First Financial Bank	credit card	1623	Street-\$224.42
Miami Co. Sanitary Eng.	Sewer	1621	General-\$64.69
Neptune Equipment Co.		1629	Water-\$114.00
Ratermann Ins. Agency		1622	General-\$2,506.53
			Street-\$515.00
			Water-\$929.47
Joe Sampson	Salary	1625	Water-\$780.00
Dustin Kemp	Salary	1624	Street-\$253.71
Julie M Anderson	Salary	1626	General-\$315.00
			Street-\$210.00
			Water-\$1,575.00

Motion to accept minutes from January 8, 2024. Hafer moved, seconded by Conley. All aye, motion carried.

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

Acknowledge Residents –

1. Deputy Sheriff, Brad Blackburn was in attendance – He advised council that the deputies are now on 12 hour shifts so they can be more visible in the village. They are aware of issues with speed on Walnut St. during daytime travel. Residents mentioned that a lot of people are running the red lights on St. Rte. 36.
2. Resident – David Bodey – Stated that St Rte. 36 is getting bad. Mayor, Jason Hutson stated that he met with Cooper's Blacktop and currently has a quote from Ticon Paving. Cooper's will be sending a quote and the mayor will need to reach out to Ticon Paving to get a drawn diagram of their quote to know the specific area they would be paving.
3. Resident – Billie Skeens with Heart To Home with Helping Hands is donating eight \$50.00 gift cards to village council for the purpose of awarding the Home of the Month.

BPA report – \$15,046.13 January Deposits

- 0 acct shut offs
- Penalties applied - \$159.52
- 30 day accounts – 35 past due accounts \$3,334.94
- 60 day accounts – 8 accts – \$514.67 – Total due \$1,685.61
- 90 day accounts – 1 acct - \$31.25 – Total due \$174.38
- \$12,875.53 outstanding

Leaks- Donald Prichard – 208 S. Walnut St. – 101-26100-00 – high usage – went from 4,000 to 23,000 gallons in 1 month. Waiting for signed payment agreement to be returned. Will pay monthly water bill usage + \$61.76 a month from 02/24 thru 09/24.

Additional-

- a. Request council to allow a DEMO from Neptune at March 11th council meeting with Korey Williams to view the upgrade needed to move forward with Neptune 360 June 1 in order to continue support. Clerk-Treasurer will arrange the DEMO with Neptune.
- b. Council has asked when the property issues noted with reader problems will be fixed. Clerk will get with Water Supt., Joe Sampson to follow up on the meter issues.

- c. Dakota Shaw – 209 W. Main St. – 101-10300-00 – Account going back into owner's name Kevin Woodward until he rents out again. Kevin will be responsible for Feb. water read.
- d. Jody Niblick – 59 N. North St. – 101-18400-00 – sold property, closing on 02/23/24. I have no information on the new owner yet.
- e. Ryan Harper – 203 W. First St. – 101-17200-00 – sold property, closing on 02/23/24. I have no information on the new owner yet.
- f. 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
 104 E. Main St. – Troy Flora – 101-29900-00 - check read numbers

Motion Resolution 2024-03 – Sandlin moved, seconded by Niswonger to transfer \$800.00 in February to Enterprise Debt Service Fund to – 5721-931-0000 – Transfer In Account for a total of \$7,200.00 held aside for June 1 debt obligation. All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-04 – Approve & Establish EPA Revolving Loan Fund - Hafer moved, seconded by Dunkin to approve and establish the EPA Revolving Loan Fund – Enterprise Fund - \$215,293.87 and file with the Miami County Auditor. Funding approved towards expenses for the Water Tower Construction. All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-05 – Approve & Establish Capital Project Fund for Tornado Siren – Conley moved, seconded by Hafer to approve & establish Capital Projects Fund – CDBG funding applied for in 2023 for a Tornado Siren for the village. Establish and file with the Miami County Auditor. All aye, motion carried.

Street –

1. Truck repair – Service update – Truck was serviced by Hart's Automotive – Major service was required on the brake lines. There were no brakes so the truck had to be towed. Removed & replaced front and rear brakes and pads & rotors. Total cost \$2,274.60. The truck will now be on a 6 month service schedule logging maintenance visits to avoid any serious issues with break downs in the future.
2. Street stop signs for the village have been purchased through Econoline. There is no need to order a 25 MPH sign. The village has located a sign in-house.
3. Resident - Billie Skeens donated 2 ODOT stop signs to the village.
4. Council member, Amy Conley would like to see MPH sign on the street.
5. Ticon Paving estimates & Others – St. Rte. 36 update – as noted in Acknowledge Residents – received Ticon Paving estimate but, there will need to be follow up to obtain the specific diagram specs for paving. Waiting for Cooper's Blacktop quote.
6. Wes Thurman request – Shut down alley at 206 W. Main St. for a short time due to excavation work being done towards the end of February. Council discussed that there could be a notice posted on the council door & village website.
7. ODOT meeting 02/06/24 – Casstown 589 – Fletcher – Per Mayor, Jason Hutson ODOT will be sealing SR 589. Information to follow.

Parks & Bldg –

1. Village Post Office Boxes – Wes Thurman is asking the post office boxes be moved. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that Mayor, Jason Hutson will research the history of how the post office boxes originated. First inquiry should be with the post office. It's possible that the post office boxes cannot be moved as they may be their property.

Old Business –

1. Appointment of members to the Planning Commission – Need 1 village resident
 1. Brian Reid – Miami County resident
 2. Ralph McGillvary – village resident
 3. Jason Hutson – Council Mayor
 4. Doug Niswonger – council member
 5. Village resident –

Council members acknowledged that resident Hilda Lee Eichorn was in attendance. Ms. Eichorn expressed her wishes to help the community in any way, whether it be as a council member, Planning Commission member or volunteer on a committee. She is committed to give back to the community. The council is in need of one council member.

2. Code Enforcement –

- a. Gary Wackler has done some cleanup. Jason has offered to help with his cleanup.
- b. Terry Rose – Jason and Doug have reached out to Terry. Angela Starry is seeing rats coming out of Dave Hutson's house and running down the street.
- c. Ben Guston has shown some improvement.
- d. Cherry Lane Subdivision – Discussion with Attorney Grant Kerber has provided some direction for council to communicate with the Developer, Jason Levan through the attorneys office making Jason aware that the village sees the current situation in the Cherry Lane Subdivision considered a nuisance. The clerk will verify with the county whether the streets have been dedicated.

Motion to authorize Attorney, Grant Kerber to send a formal letter to Developer, Jason Levan. Niswonger moved, seconded by Sandlin to direct the Attorney, Grant Kerber to draft a formal letter to Jason Levan addressing Cherry Lane Subdivision deficiencies and nuisance items noted in the original Punch List document dated 12/29/23. The village council would like to resolve all issues amicably prior to any future transfers of property or acceptance and dedication of the extension of Cherry Lane as a public street.

New Business –

1. Flyer updates for February Newsletter – need to form committees for the parade and put in the newsletter.
2. Memorial Day Parade –
 - a. Food truck needed – Bamboo Bair – 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – They set up at Caven's Meats – Brats, hot dogs, smash burgers, etc.
 - b. Marcia would like to get some decorations for the shelter house.
 - c. Flags for veterans could be a money maker.
 - d. Need speaker & Grand Marshall.
 - e. Need parade participants committee.

- f. Need a band for the parade.
 - g. Park committee and festivities.
 - h. Parade at 1:30 p.m. Gather at 1:00 p.m.
 - i. Donation letters need to go out.
3. Water Tower Update – There is a requirement from the US Gov't to have a sign at the construction site once we break ground. Approximately \$1,500.00 will need to be built into the budget for the sign.
 4. Establish/Create sub-committees – moving forward with community interests – Parks, Streets, Grant writing, Parade, etc. Council members were asked to put together a list of committees they would like to form and discuss at a future meeting.
 5. Trash – What steps is council going to take moving forward for long term trash removal services. After a lengthy discussion no formal decision was made on how to move forward after the one year contract with Rumpke is up but, the mayor will make contact with Dustin at Rumpke and let him know that council has not agreed to their company drafted letter that Rumpke was wanting to send to village residents.
 6. Facebook page – Will council agree to dedicate 1 – 2 council members to establish and maintain a Facebook page for the village? After a lengthy discussion it was decided that Jason Hutson and Amy Conley will establish a village Facebook account and bring a formal policy to the March meeting for approval.

Motion Resolution 2024-06 – Approve Gift Card Donation from Billie Skeens – Conley moved, seconded by Hafer to approve eight \$50.00 gift card donations from Billie Skeens with Heart To Home with Helping Hands for Home of the month recipients. All aye, motion carried.

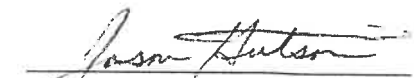
Executive Session – Sandlin moved, seconded by Niswonger to go into executive session to discuss personnel. All aye, motion carried.

Into Executive session: 9:13 p.m.

Out of Session: 9:22 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.


Julie M. Anderson, Clerk


Jason Hutson, Mayor

February 12, 2024 council minutes

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