

**FLETCHER VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 9, 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, Julie M. Anderson, Clerk-Treasurer & Joe Sampson. Water Supt. Absent: Attorney, Andrew Wannamacher.

<u>Receipts-December</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pay-In #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Water payments		275-2024	Water-\$459.68
Water payments		276-2024	Water-\$220.25
Water payments		279-2024	Water-\$746.58 NSF CK
		Samantha Hall	\$150.00
Water payments		280-2024	Water-\$1,314.04
Water payments		281-2024	Water-\$1,396.60
Water payments		285-2024	Water-\$1,579.80
Water payments		286-2024	Water-\$1,722.12
State of Ohio	Perm Tax	277-2024	Street-\$138.75
			St Hwy-\$11.25
Water payments		287-2024	Water-\$2,020.70
Water payments		288-2024	Water-\$542.77
County Auditor	Local Gov't	282-2024	General-\$1,633.50
County Auditor	Local Gov't-Suppl	283-2024	General-\$351.36
Water payments		289-2024	Water-\$1,429.94
Water payments		290-2024	Water-\$43.70
Water payments		291-2024	Water-\$381.44
State of Ohio	Excise Tax	278-2024	Street-\$2,521.51
			St Hwy-\$204.45
Water payments		292-2024	Water-\$1,184.08
Water payments		293-2024	Water-\$264.87
Water payments		294-2024	Water-\$455.06
County Auditor	Gas Tax	284-2024	Street-\$347.06
			St Hwy-\$28.14
Interest		295-2024	General-\$10.03
			Street-\$131.40
			St Hwy-\$10.28

<u>Payments-December</u>		<u>Ck#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AES	Utilities	ACH	General-\$135.64
			St Hwy-\$77.93
			Water-\$1,183.53
OBWC	1 <sup>ST</sup> Qtr. 2025	ACH	General-\$40.00
			Street-\$46.17
			Water-\$145.83
OPERS-November		ACH	General-93.00
			Street-\$183.78
			Water-\$939.40
UAN Fees	1st Qtr. 2025	ACH	General-\$534.00
Auditor of State	Basic Audit	ACH	General-\$10.25

OPERS-December		ACH	General-\$93.00 Street-\$183.78 Water-\$939.40
IRS Tax	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr 2024	ACH	General-\$461.11 Street-\$122.04 Water-\$1,701.84
Ohio Tax	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr 2024	ACH	General-\$28.33 Street-\$18.15 Water-\$231.33
SD Tax	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr 2024	ACH	General-\$48.68 Street-\$35.64 Water-\$200.97
Ohio EPA	License	ACH	Water-\$389.76
Village of Fletcher	council-water	1774	General-\$42.98
Joe Sampson	Salary	1794	Water-\$780.00
Hilda Eichhorn	Salary	1784	General-\$240.00
Amy Conley	Salary	1783	General-\$240.00
Doug Niswonger	Salary	1782	General-\$240.00
Marcia Hafer	Salary	1781	General-\$240.00
Ruth Dunkin	Salary	1780	General-\$240.00
Deborah Sandlin	Salary	1779	General-\$300.00
Jason Hutson	Salary	1778	General-\$750.00
Buschur Electric		1793	Water-\$320.20
St. Paris Pro Hardware, Inc.		1792	Water-\$135.00
Buschur Electric		1791	Water-\$515.00
MASI Testing		1775	Water-\$831.30
Dustin Kemp	Salary	1771	Street-\$253.71
Shipman, Dixon & Livingston		1797	General-\$700.00
Buschur Electric		1798	Water-\$82.00
Ticon Paving, Inc.		1796	Street-\$1,942.37
MASI Testing		1776	Water-\$603.75
Fletcher Fire Dept.		1777	Fire-1.50ml-\$2,875.00 Fire-1.00ml-\$3,375.00
Buschur Electric		1799	Water-\$859.00
Four-U-Office		1800	General-\$164.91 Water-\$135.41
Caldwell Tanks, Inc.		1801	US Army Corp-\$4,495.60 ARPA Twr Constr-\$688.00
Caldwell Tanks, Inc.		1802	US Army Corp-\$81,649.12
Julie M. Anderson	Salary	1795	General-\$300.00 Street-\$200.00 Water-\$2,500.00
Miami Co. Sanitary Eng.	Sewer	1773	General-\$64.69
Jay Nelson	Salary	1787	Water-\$125.00
Keith Schaefer	Salary	1786	Water-\$125.00
Bruce Shawler	Salary	1785	Water-\$125.00
Joe Sampson	Salary	1788	Water-\$780.00
Dustin Kemp	Salary	1790	Street-\$253.71

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

Motion to pay bills – November 2024 – Eichhorn moved, seconded by Conley. All aye, motion carried.  
Acknowledge Residents –

1. Deputy Sheriff Lavy was in attendance – Residents and council advised him of speeding on St. Rte. 36.
2. Resident-Mallory Hoffman asked if any of the homes on Cherry Lane in the new subdivision are rentals. Joe Sampson, responded that he believed one property was a rental
3. Resident-Janice Werts stated that she felt the flyer was misleading because the surcharge was not listed properly. The clerk, Julie Anderson explained that the footnote on the flyer was made to mention that the Rumpke surcharge was omitted from Rumpkes monthly fee when all other vendors had theirs included.
4. Scott Kessler on Main St. – Does not want trash added to his water bill. Council stated that they were not planning to put trash fees on the water bill.
5. Solena Brown – Would like the minutes every month. Mayor, Jason Hutson stated that the minutes will be going on the website and posted on the door.
6. Patrick Klohe – Is paying \$99.00 quarterly to Rumpke.
7. Brian Vorwerk – Why were the residents not told about the meeting and Rumpke being contracted? Council addressed the public stating that there have been comments in the monthly flyers with the water bills several times regarding village trash.
8. Andrea Snider – Moved in to Fletcher in 2021. Trash was not getting picked up. Made several calls to Rumpke and trash sat outside for 2 weeks. Mayor, Jason Hutson stated that he needs to know these problems when they occur so he can also deal with Rumpke for the residents.
9. Cody Snider – Trash cans are left lying on their side after pick up. Rumpke has not picked up their trash on several dates.
10. Scott Kessler – If the village has an ordinance it would appear that the trash companies should be following the ordinance.
11. A resident asked – If an ordinance changes can residents vote on the ballot? Council votes on all ordinances within the village.
12. Billie Skeens – Can we change from Rumpke at this time before 12/31/24. Mayor, Jason Hutson told the residents that he will look into what the repercussions would be if council wanted to revoke their contract.
13. Jamie Flaze – Is it the residents that have to go with Rumpke or just council? The Rumpke contract is exclusive for all Fletcher residents.
14. Billie Skeens – Can we meet in January to break this contract with Rumpke? Once again Mayor, Jason Hutson stated that he will look into it before the January meeting.
15. Doug Niswonger, council member stated that Rumpke looks like the best fit for the village. 60% of the village uses Rumpke.
16. Solena Brown – Flyer needs to be noted at the top of the flyer. Trash is being dumped all over the street when Rumpke comes through. Again, Mayor Jason Hutson stated that he needs to know when these incidents occur. Solena stated that he should already be seeing it himself.
17. Ralph McGillvary – Who is responsible for the retaining pond? There is all kinds of trash and items dumped in it. Mayor, Jason Hutson said he will research that. People will still be using other companies. What's going on with the building in town that will be torn down? Clerk, Julie Anderson stated that Wes Thurman is working with the county and it is in the final stages of getting ready for demolition.
18. Andrea Snider – When something effects the residents it would be nice to have a public forum or community meeting. Council did not handle this properly.
19. Brad Conley – What is the process on council positions? Who has actually been elected on the ballot for council that is currently on council now? Marcia Hafer, council member stated that there have been openings as a result of members resigning. Council has advertised on the monthly flyer and interviewed for council positions and then nominated individuals for the open council position in order to fill the seat to be able to do business.

20. Patrick Klohe – When will we have the new water tower working? Joe Sampson, Water Supt. stated that we should start transitioning over to the new tank. Cold weather will dictate when this can happen.

**BPA report – \$13,560.76 November Deposits**

- 1 acct shut off – Elizabeth Rose – 705 S. Walnut St. – 101-15600-00 – House fire on Monday, December 2, 2024. Water shut off Tuesday, December 3, 2024. Home is not salvageable.
- Penalties applied - \$119.27
- 30 day accounts – 32 past due accounts \$2,493.58
- 60 day accounts – 8 accts – \$583.02 – Total due \$1,634.94
- 90 day accounts – 2 accts - \$117.20 – Total due \$540.89
- \$13,932.74 outstanding (11/26/24 read \$13,450.56 + Prev. Balance on 11/26/24 \$482.18 = \$13,932.74)
- **Leaks -**  
Additional-
  - a. Ryan Miller – 7 W. Main St. – 101-16200-00 – sold house to Wes Thurman closed on 11/06/24. Wes is responsible for the November water read. Wes Thurman's address is 3136 Sodom Road, Casstown, Ohio 45326.
  - b. Isaac Combs – 300 W. Main St, - 101-08000-00 – moving out 10/30/24. Owner Ryan Dunn – 480-577-9272. Final bill being sent to Isaac at 7211 Lostcreek-Shelby Road, Fletcher, Ohio 45326. Ryan Dunn is responsible for the November water read. His address is 17822 E. Augusta Ave., Queen Creek, Az. 85142.
  - c. Jeff Little – 506 Cherry Lane – Just moved in and will be responsible for November water read. His phone number is 937-573-8929. Owner is Jason LeVan. Need to get paperwork on both individuals before November water read. Have not received paperwork from Jeff or Jason yet. Jeff is responsible for the read at 506 Cherry Lane.
  - d. Adam Schaefer – 402 Cherry Lane – 101-16100-00 – sold house to Ryan Miller. Ryan is responsible for the November water read.
  - e. Jim Reigelsperger – 211 W. First St. – 101-28500-00 – Jim has passed away and his son Eric is requesting to have his water turned off. He will be selling the house. Water was shut off 10/16/24.
  - 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. – Joshua Vargo – 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. – Britany Blair – 101-18800-00  
206 W. Main St. – Wes Thurman – 101-17500-00  
307 S. Walnut St. – Lili Wackler – 101-27600-00

Motion Resolution 2024-48 – Sandlin moved, seconded by Conley to transfer \$800.00 in December to Enterprise Debt Service Fund to – 5721-931-0000 – Transfer In Account for a total of \$5,600.00 held aside for June 1, 2025 debt obligation. All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-49 – Amend Appropriations at 11/30/24 - Sandlin moved, seconded by Hafer to amend appropriations at 11/30/24 and file with the Miami County Auditor. (increased

Water Fund 5101-539-399 – Contract services - \$6,000.00 + 5101-725-211 OPERS - \$741.40 = \$6,741.40 increase). All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-50 – Approve Year End Adjustments @ 12/31/24 – Hafer moved, seconded by Dunkin to approve the necessary adjustments to revenue and appropriation accounts at 12/31/24 and file with the Miami County Auditor. All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-51 – Approve 2025 Temporary Appropriations – Niswonger moved, seconded by Hafer to approve the 2025 Temporary Appropriations and file with the Miami County Auditor. All aye, motion carried.

Motion Resolution 2024-52 – Approve donations from Ruth Wyer – Sandlin moved, seconded by Hafer to approve a donation from Ruth Wyer in the amount of \$604.86 on 11/22/24 that was received from citizens of Fletcher over the years for flower donations in preparation for the Memorial Day Parades. Monies have been receipted to the General Fund. All aye, motion carried.

Street –

1. St. Rte. 36 – Dept of Development funding – It does not appear that Fletcher will score high enough to be get funding this round. The village will have to look into another means of funding for the area on St. Rte. 36 between Church St. and the traffic light at Walnut St. The base under the street is causing a rumbling when trucks slow down to stop at the light at Walnut St. Residents china cabinets are rattling and it is causing fear for residents.

Parks & Bldg –

1. There will be no Christmas event at the park this year. Deb Sandlin, council member will have some decorations put up at the park.

Old Business –

- a. Code Enforcement – Amy is looking at ordinances specific to the village. The clerk, Julie Anderson stated that there needs to be monies budgeted and allocated prior to any attorney review.
- b. Water Tower Update – Update in Resident Notes
- c. Cherry Lane Update – Per Water Supt. Joe Sampson, Jason is still responsible for the street. Paving should be done this week. We cannot do anything g with the Punch List this winter. Need to discuss the responsibility for the retention pond. We will need to get Jerry back involved this spring. It is Joe’s understanding that Jason still has to legally turn the properties of the subdivision and streets over to the village. This needs to be researched because there are different opinions on this in the Miami County Map Dept.
- d. Basic Audit is complete – Draft report has been released but not FINAL.
  - 1) Audit cost – 01/01/18 – 12/31/19 - \$6,750.00
  - 2) Audit cost – 01/01/20 – 12/31/21 - \$4,263.70
  - 3) Audit cost – 01/01/22 – 12/31/23 – charges to date \$366.95 on 11/30 24. Will have additional charges but significantly lower than previous years because we have been able to get back to a Basic Audit in Good Standing.

New Business –

- a. Facebook page – Would like to add contact information. Residents would like to allow for questions and answers on Facebook. Need to look at the adopted Facebook Policy before the village initiates this change. Facebook is intended for information only. Additionally, can a comment be put on the Fletcher Facebook that this is the official site for the village?
- b. How many council seats are open this next year? The clerk will provide an Officials Term worksheet at the January Organization meeting as in other years.

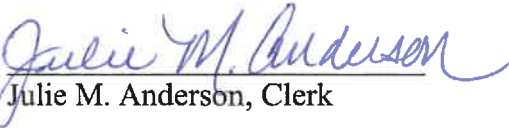
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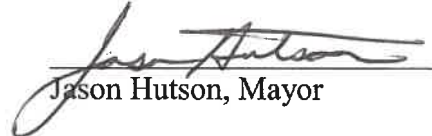
In Session @ 8:38 p.m.

Sandlin moved, seconded by Hafer to go into executive session to discuss personnel.

Out of session @ 9:29 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

  
Julie M. Anderson, Clerk

  
Jason Hutson, Mayor

December 9, 2024 council minutes