

VILLAGE OF MADISON  
Regular Council Meeting  
February 26, 2024

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Mayor Britton called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Mayor Britton invited all in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Britton requested that everyone observe a moment of silence. Council Members Mr. Adams, Mr. Donaldson, Ms. Drown, Mr. Lee and Mr. Vest were in attendance. Also in attendance were Administrator Mr. Bailey, Law Director Mr. Szeman, Village Engineer Eric Haibach and Chief of Police Troy McIntosh. Fiscal Officer Kristie Crockett was not in attendance.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**MINUTES**

Mayor Britton announced minutes to be approved for the Council Meeting held on February 12, 2024.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Adams.

Questions/Discussions – Mayor Britton welcomed back Ms. Drown!

Roll call on approval, 5 years. Motion carried.

**FIRST HEARING OF PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL:** None

**PAY ORDINANCE**

Mayor Britton presented Pay Ordinance No. 2499: \$60,096.04 for payroll and \$77,285.29 for current and upcoming expenses, for a total of \$137,381.33.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on approval, 5 years. Motion carried.

**OLD LEGISLATION:** None

**NEW LEGISLATION:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 5-2024: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

Motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 years. Motion carried.

Motion for passage made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Ms. Drown.

Questions/Discussion: Law Director Szeman explained that the Lake County Building Department can collect their fees pursuant to their promulgated schedule.

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 6-2024: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION/CONSERVATION PROJECT, TO PERFORM ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Lee.

Questions/Discussion: None

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

Motion for passage made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

Questions/Discussion: Administrator Bailey explained that the Wetland's Project and the Dana's Park project each received \$50,000.00, this legislation is a formality to accept these funds.

Roll call on the motion: 5 yeas. Motion carried.

#### **PURCHASE ORDERS AND OTHER APPROVAL PERMITTED BY MOTION:**

A motion from the floor was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Mr. Lee for a purchase order to Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$4,848.00 for Motorola Radios Authentication software updates that is required for all radios. It will cover eight (8) mobile radios and sixteen (16) portable radios.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

➤ **Engineer's report –**

Engineer Haibach reported that the advertising date for the Parkway Paving Project is slated for March 13, 2024. It is OPWC funding, so it cannot be awarded until July 1, 2024.

In regards to the over/under pass, Mr. Haibach stated that attendance to a NOACCA meeting and a proposal to the board on the project is the way to get started. The Village would need a feasibility study done first, which would be at the Village's expense. This study would be submitted to NOACCA to try to get a nomination to put it in a long-term improvement plan. Mr. Haibach is going to look into the cost of a feasibility study. Further discussion took place regarding potential areas that could be used for an over/under pass.

➤ **Fiscal Officer's report –**

None

➤ **Police Chief's report –**

Chief McIntosh reported that earlier in the day, the department completed the final batch of policies that they have been working on from the Lexpole platform. He stated that the entire policy book is published online and in force. It will be continuously under review and getting updated.

He reported that they have received their body cameras from Axion and are in the final steps of setting up the training and deployment schedule with Axion. He is hoping that the Officers will have the cameras available to use within the next ten (10) days.

In closing, he reported that he is working with EMA in regards to the upcoming eclipse. They would like updates on what municipalities will be open that day.

➤ **Administrator's report –**

Administrator Bailey reported the M.C.I.C. had their fundraiser to kickoff the fundraising season for Concerts in the Park last Thursday at Standing Rock Farms. He thanked all that attended. A special thank you to Chelsea and Michael Palubiak, the owners of Standing Rock Farms for opening their doors to the M.C.I.C.

Mr. Bailey provided an update of some of the projects that will be happening in the Village. He stated that the front ramp in front of Village Hall will be happening soon, the I-90 Interchange signalization will be starting in April 2024, the Middle Ridge Road paving project should be starting in April or May 2024. This project will run from St. Rt. 528 to Townline Road. The sidewalk project on Middle Ridge Road will be going concurrently if not, at the end of summer. He stated that once the asphalt companies open, the Wetland Trails Project should be completed within a couple of weeks.

In closing, Mr. Bailey provided a brief update regarding the railroad closures. As more information becomes available, he will pass it on.

**COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Adams reported that a Fire Board meeting was held on February 21, 2024. He reported that the Fire District received their new fire truck. In closing, he reported that there will be a new Lieutenant promoted in the next month.

Councilman Vest reported that at the last Planning & Zoning meeting, discussion took place regarding cannabis, dispensaries and Cultivator I, II & III. The Commission tabled it so they could review a few items.

**FINAL HEARING OF PERSONS BEFORE COUNCIL:**

Walt Richardson (700 E. Main Street) – Mr. Richardson stated that he was under the impression that Lake County performed all of the building inspections. Mr. Bailey explained that Madison Village has the right to their own building department. By entering into the agreement with Lake County (Ordinance No. 5-2024), the Village transfers the right to Lake County to charge fees and perform the inspections without the Village forming their own building department.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mayor's Report: -**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:27 pm made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Drown.

Roll call on adjournment, 5 yeas. Meeting adjourned.

  
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Sam Britton Jr., Mayor

  
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Mark V. Vest Council President

3/11/2024  
DATE

Attested:

  
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Kristie M. Crockett, Fiscal Officer

March 11, 2024  
DATE