The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM and began roll call.

Roll call of those present:

Mayor: John Benshoff

Council members: Council President Randy Ramsthaler, Dottie Scott, Krissy Kauf, Tina Killion, Anne Ramsthaler

Fiscal officer: Leighanna Cawrse

Operators: David Pitsenbarger and Tim Hickey

Zoning Inspector: Patrick Miller

Meeting was held via Facebook live.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

• Mayor reports/comments- Loan

PRESENTATION

Joel Bender from Whitaker-Myers presented the insurance renewal for 3/31/2024-3/31/2025 for the village. Increased the property due to the inflation index, value of the garage due to under value, contractors equipment due to index, total annual cost \$6,573.00 a \$489 increase from last year.

John Benshoff inquires if this was actual replacement cost or prorated. Joel responded actual replacement.

Anne Ramsthaler moved to approve the insurance renewal for 2024-2025. Dottie Scott seconded. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

Water/Sewer/Wastewater treatment plant-New Business

Account# 01140-Sewer usage due to water leak in January

The homeowners, in attendance, were told that there was a high-water flow by the village operators, the homeowners did not notice a difference in water pressure but their meter was not checked. They discussed with council that if they would have been told by the operators that there was a water leak on their property, they would have looked that day instead of three days later then finding the leak. The homeowners discovered the leak by shutting off their water and discovered it was from a water line that goes to an outbuilding and drained into a pond on their property. The homeowner's are not blaming the operators, however their concern is this went on longer than it should have. The homeowners did have a leak on the property back in October 2023 they caught it based off their water pressure loss yet did not ask council to waive anything.

The operators test for high/low water usage for the village once per month.

Dottie Scott moved to waive the sewer usage \$250.20 for service date 01/09/2024 – 02/24/2024. Tina Killion seconded. Roll call: Randy Ramsthaler yes, Dottie Scott yes, Krissy Kauf yes, Tina Killion yes, Anne Ramsthaler yes.

Council did not waive or reduce the water usage.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Tina Killion moved to approve January 15, 2024 special meeting minutes with changes on page 2 under changes to agenda Dottie Scott name correction and page 3 under Dottie Scott comments Randy Ramsthaler sentence was not complete should have said "a water rate study done". Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

February 12, 2024 special meeting minutes-Tabled February 26, 2024 regular meeting minutes-Tabled

FISCAL – NEW BUSINESS

M-T-D Check Register Report/Invoice Approvals

Krissy Kauf moved to approve the bills from February 1, 2024 to February 29, 2024 as presented by the fiscal officer. Dottie Scott seconded. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

Fiscal Report

M-T-D report for February 2024 read by Leighanna Cawrse

Ordinance Permanent Appropriations-2024

Anne Ramsthaler moved to read the title only. Randy Ramsthaler second the motion. No one opposed.

Ordinance NO. 2024-2 title was read aloud:

"AN ORDINACE OF THE VILLAGE OF BAILEY LAKES, ASHLAND COUNTY, OHIO, PERMANENT APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE YEAR 2024"

Krissy Kauf moved to approve Ordinance NO. 2024-2. Randy Ramsthaler seconded the motion. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

Resolution 03112024-A Open Meetings-Tabled

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

- Anne Ramsthaler-
 - Has anything been done with the smoke testing? John Benshoff replied no.

- Randy Ramsthaler-
 - Contacted Ashland Soil and Water Conservation District to see if they had any funds for using of the Vermillion water shed.
 - Contacted the EPA 2nd time to look into the chicken farm up on the hill as this farm is possibly leaching material into our lakes causing algae and other issues that have not been there until now.
- Dottie Scott- None
- Krissy Kauf-
 - Junk Ordinance where is the village at with sending letters? John Benshoff replied that it is process.
- Tina Killion-
 - Residents complained about a light being on the south side and have to call to get it shut off on the building. It is believed to be town hall.
 - Trash when there is groups they need to clean up around the outside of the town hall building
 - Going to look into getting donation of dirt for the flower beds in front of the town hall.
 - Would like to install a stairway on the north side of the town hall.
 - Inquired if soliciting allowed in the village. John Benshoff was not sure if there is or is not an ordinance, however suggested residents should call the Sherriff.

MAYOR REPORTS/COMMENTS

- Extended the contract for the UV improvement project into Mid-April and keeping the prices the same.
- OWDA Loan has been accepted and to be approved on March 28, 2024
- Unknown of when the UV improvement project will start.

OPERATORS REPORTS/COMMENTS:

February 2024

- Wastewater
 - Processed .075 million gallons wastewater
 - Filed monthly EPA reports
 - Performed all required and operational testing
 - Routine equipment maintenance
- Water
 - o Filed monthly EPA reports
 - o Performed all required and operational testing
 - Read water meters
 - Turned off three water accounts for non-payment

- Projects
 - Get estimate for culvert replacement on Wesley (eastside) and replacement of catch basin.
 - Lake Drive sewer extension
 - Measured behind by the old restaurant, still needs surveyed and an easement signed by the property owner. EPA paperwork and engineering design also need to be done. This will connect to the new UV sewer system.

Other:

- Lead and copper spreadsheet due in October
 - RCAP has no room to work with us and will send us a spreadsheet with the GPS locations. The spreadsheet consist of identify services line, lengths, and type.
 - Tim and Dave to provide estimate on cost to perform this work (going door to door and putting together the spreadsheet).
- Potholes along Center St., Lake Dr., Blvd Rd. Ridge Rd., and water treatment plant.
 - Tim inquired to council on what they would like done with that.

<u>I&I report</u>

- Highest dailey flow reported was .084 MGD
- Monthly average flow was .024 MGD
- Total of 1 day above design flow rate of .04 MGD
- Reported CBOD 3mg/l
- Reported Suspended solids 1 mg/I
- Reported NH3 .2 mg/I

Town Hall-New Business

Insurance Renewal 2024-2025

Anne Ramsthaler moved to approve the insurance renewal for 2024-2025. Dottie Scott seconded. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed.

Town Hall-Pending Business

Fill Vacant seat on Council-John has some people in mind just need to contact them.

Water/Sewer/Wastewater treatment plant-Old Business

Past Due Accounts 90+ days

• 01410 currently shut off

Water/Sewer/Wastewater treatment plant- New Business

- Update for UV disinfection sewer improvement projects- Discussed in mayor comments.
- Sewer credit-Lake Drive- Discussed in council comments.

Water/Sewer/Wastewater treatment plant- Pending Business

- Easement- Restaurant & Ringler former property- Discussed in Mayors report/comments
- Wastewater treatment plant UV Disinfection Improvements- Awaiting to award bid.

Parks/Lake- Pending Business

Community Grant- Estimate for lighthouse from Amish Not discussed/no changes.

Public Interaction

None

Facebook Live comments

- GPS needs to be updated for Shamrock Lane it is not a go through it is a dead end.
 - Resident can contact Google Maps and put it this is map wrong.

Council was in general agreement to cancel the April 8th meeting due to the eclipse and will hold a special meeting on April 1st for the purpose of a regular meeting at 6:00 PM.

Since there was no further business Tina Killion moved to adjourn regular meeting. Dottie Scott seconded. Roll call: All ayes; No one opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM

Council President- Randy Ramsthaler

Fiscal Officer- Leighanna Cawrse