

SARDINIA COUNCIL MEETING

December 11, 2023 7:00 P.M.

Pledge and Prayer: Mayor Bill North

Roll Call: Dustin Puckett, Anna Turner, Angela Lyons, Peggy Vance, Gary Troutman

Also in attendance: Amy Mason, Administrator; Mayor Bill North; Solicitor Tom Mayes

Absent: Ashlie Webster

Council reviewed meeting minutes from November 21, 2023, regular meeting. *Motion to accept minutes as written by Dustin Puckett, second by Gary Troutman. Roll call all yes.*

Administrator

Ms. Mason reviewed financials with council. \$1.7 million balance from all accounts. Grant money has been paid back 100%.

New fiscal officer, Maria, will be attending council meetings as of January 1, 2024, to answer any questions council may have about financial statements.

otion to approve financials as presented by Peggy Vance, second by Anna Turner. Roll call all yes.

Third reading of the budget for year 2024 to be filed with Jill Hall, auditor of Brown County, Oh. *Motion to adopt budget by Dustin Puckett, second by Peggy Vance. Roll call all yes.*

Second reading of ordinance for large trucks going through the Village. Questions from council answered regarding the truck ordinance. Third reading will take place in January, 2024.

Request for motion to be made to add Venita Milburn, court clerk, and Maria Palm, fiscal officer, to add as signers of bank account for Mayors Court at same time to remove Lisa Miller from account. *Motion to add Venita and Maria as signers and remove Lisa from the Mayors Court bank account. Motion made by Anna Turner, second by Angela Lyons. Roll call all yes.*

King Road lift station is out, pumped out by Barber Sanitation has been pumping this out. Second pump at this station has went out, both pumps have exceeded their life time. Arrangements have been made to keep the station functioning. Will need to get bids for replacements.

Brown County Commissioners have requested Ms. Mason to join the Revolving Loan Committee for small businesses.

Purchased 1994 Ford bucket truck with 130,000 miles for \$7000 which will be used in multiple areas throughout the village. Will pay for itself in two years by decreasing the cost of renting.

Purchased a 2017 GMC Box truck for \$8900 has 134,000 miles to replace one of the vans.

Need emergency ordinance to sell two of our vehicles, 1997 Dump Truck and 2007 Chevrolet Van to sell by sealed bid. *Motion to suspend the three reading rules for sale of vehicles made by Angela Lyons, second by Dustin Puckett.*

Roll call for emergency ordinance all yes.

Motion to adopt the emergency ordinance for sale of the vehicles made by Gary Troutman, second by Peggy Vance. Roll call all yes.

Chief of Police

Chief Perry reviewed the presentation for the Police Department. All officers are certified through LEADS with access. Continuing education has been completed by all three officers.

Cross training for the Mayor's Court Clerk continuing.

Reviewed citations, drug arrests, and K9 deployment. Stolen car recovered. 47 grams of Meth confiscated with loaded weapon.

Reviewed court dates which will be changed to every three weeks to control overcrowding.

Chief Perry did address council about the officers being outside the jurisdiction that he has been hearing about. Mr. Mayes will research the jurisdiction limits/boundaries thoroughly which will then be presented to the council and Chief Perry as a legal decision. This will ensure that cases will not be overturned in court cases.

Committees for 2024

Committees are a function of council. The committees are Public Safety, Finance, Economic Development and Public Works. There should be no more than three people on each whose job is to make recommendations and bring back to council. Mayor and Administrator should make decision who is on these committees which will be done in January. Approve council meetings for 2024.

Motion to have council meetings on 2nd Monday of the month unless a holiday falls then will be the 3rd Monday of the month, motion made by Angela Lyons, second by Peggy Vance. Roll call all yes.

Audience

Fire Chief Tom Kirker questioned the police sitting on Purdy Road by Bible Baptist. Again, noted the Solicitor will look into the limits/boundaries. Chief Kirker was satisfied with the response.

Shauna Weis updated the council on the Hope and Promise Foundation activities for the year.

Beth Dotson questioned the council on the non-presence of media at council meetings. Media is always welcome at council meetings. Also asked about the Facebook Community page

Jim Shroeder responded to the media presence, the new truck ordinance, and praised the police department for relationships with the Village, and thanked everyone working in the Village of a job well done. Did suggest a community calendar. Invited anyone to use the property across from the Hope Church by requesting usage from the Church.

tion to go into executive session for compensation Ordinance 121.22G1 by Dustin Pucket

Executive Session

Began at 8:06 p.m.
Ended at 8:29 p.m.

Motion to come out of executive session made by Gary Troutman, second by Peggy Vance. Roll call all yes.

Motion made to increase Venita Milburn's pay \$2.00/hr. as of January 1, 2024 made by Angela Lyons, second by Peggy Vance.
Roll call all yes.

Motion made for any operator who has Sewer Operator 1 license an increase of \$2.00/hr. and a Water distribution license an increase of \$1.00/hr. as long as the license is kept current made by Peggy Vance, second by Gary Troutman.
Roll call all yes.

Round Table

Peggy Vance asked council to consider putting an event coordinator in place for the events in the Village. Solicitor suggested having a community calendar. Gary Troutman offered to put together a form for event notices.

Tornado siren update – Ms. Mason approved the bid for repair but unsure what the time frame for repair is. Solicitor suggested a One Call system

Lift bucket training will be January 6, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. our public works employees will be attending.

Mike Young is still taking down military banners.

Motion to adjourn made by Dustin Puckett, second by Anna Turner. Roll call all yes.

Date approved 1/8/2024

Mayor Bruce Young President of Council Cashie Webster