

Village of Wayne
Regular Council Meeting
MARCH 6TH, 2024

The meeting was brought to order by Mayor Craig Everett and the pledge of allegiance was said. Roll call was read: Gross present, Vandersall present, Wildman present, Boyer present, Lee present, and Young present. Gross moved and Vandersall second to approve the minutes as read. All yeah, M/C. Boyer moved and Lee second to turn all bills over to finance and to pay all those found favorable. All yeah, M/C.

William Smith's sister spoke to council about a leak that happened and seeing if can have some extra time paying the high-water bill. Gross moved and Wildman second to approve up to 90 days to pay the current water bill and waiving the late fee for the current water bill only. Mr. Smith would also have to pay the next water bills on time. All yeah, M/C.

Jen Corbin, along with Wildman, spoke about the upcoming festivities for Easter. Wayne Welcoming Society is asking for Easter Basket donations, basket donations can be dropped off at the library, and discussed a little bit about the Easter Egg Hunt. Looking at doing something different for the older kids (hiding around town at the public places). Wayne Welcoming Society have received various applications and will continue to receive Military Hero applications until April 14, 2024. Some previews of the banners have been posted on Facebook as well.

Fire Chief John Houtz reported that the pump is damaged on the tanker. Currently not sure on cost to repair, Atlantic is getting ahold of Hail Pump to get an idea. Depending on repair cost will also look at seeing if cheaper to install a new one. Will let Fiscal Officer and Mayor know once get the estimate. Fire Chief figuring anywhere from \$10,000 to \$15,000 to repair.

Mayor informed council on the correspondence from the Wood County Economic about their annual dinner. It will be held in Perrysburg in April 2024 and cost is \$50 a person if anyone is interested.

Victor Coleman, Toledo Edison representative, is still working on getting a resolution for the delay in LED lights. They are still trying to get the backorder of LED lights in and for various other communities as well. Had 2nd reading Ordinance 3-24-754: Street Lighting Assessment for 2025 \$15,000. Fiscal Officer reported solicitor still looking into the EPA new mandate on Service Line Inventories.

Mayor reported that spoke with Pastor Ron Merritt from the church and supposedly the engineer has submitted the plans for the church and should still be able to break ground this Spring. Mayor and council discussed Hutchins St. and turned getting estimates, plans, etc. for Hutchins St. over the Public Safety Committee. Fiscal Officer reported that the Complaint on Litigation has been filed in the court system against the owners on E. Bryant St. No record has been reported yet if have be served with the paperwork.

Had 1st reading Resolution 4-24-741: Notice of Necessity for Fire Levy. Young moved and Lee second to approve the financial report (Cash Summary by Fund) for February 29, 2024. All yeah, M/C. Mayor reported that Helena Chemical is again looking at water/sewer and wanting to tie into the village system. Annexation Agreement has been drafted and still working on easement of the force main out to Friendship (legally tie in).

Fiscal Officer had the bid from Erie Mowers for 2024 on mowing the lagoon at \$451.61 per mowing and maintaining the pond and bank for one year at \$442.78. This has only went up around \$20 more than last year. Erie Mowers usually mows around 3 to 4 times at the most. Gross moved and Young second to accept the bid from Eris Mowers. All yeah, M/C.

Mayor reported some newly discovered history in Wayne. The canon on the village lot beside the jail is an original Civil War Canon. There are only three sites left of original Civil War canons and Wayne has one of them! Mayor also discussed the Civil War Statue in front of the United Methodist Church. Know one know who officially owns the statue. Mayor and council discussed about possibly some grants to move the statue and create a Civil War Memorial. Mayor also reported that Village of Bradner is the only one in Ohio to have a WW1 canon.

No further business, Lee moved and Wildman second to adjourn. All yeah, M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Repasz
Fiscal Officer

Council President