

**Village of Wayne**  
Regular Council Meeting  
JULY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 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. Young moved and Lee 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.

Mike Bechstein, Wayne Little League, spoke with council about Elmwood Little League taking over next year for Wayne, Bloomdale, Portage, and Cygnet. Elmwood Little League will in the Hancock League (there will be a north and south) and will be taking all the registration for sign ups, etc. They will be using each towns field for practice and games. Kyle Chamberlain will be representative for Wayne. Bechstein enjoyed working with the Wayne Little League for over the past 10 years. Council looking forward to meeting with Kyle Chamberlain to get more updates on the Elmwood Little League.

Police Chief Mocniak reported that Officer Miller has resigned from the department. Police Chief, Mayor, and council discussed speed sign for the Village. Chief Mocniak and Gross has been in contact with Elan City to get pricing, solar power, Bluetooth, etc. Elan City is running a deal for \$3,000 a piece if buy 3 in a pkg. Chief Mocniak mentioned to get one pkg. for now and police dept. will pay for them. Council discussed about getting two pkgs.

Young moved and Gross second to purchase 2 pkgs. of the speed signs (6 signs total) and pay one pkg. from Police fund and the other pkg. out of the General fund. Young amends the original motion. Lee moved and Young second to purchase 2 pkgs. of the speed signs (6 signs total), if have Bluetooth capabilities, and pay one pkg. from Police fund and the other pkg. out of the General fund. Motion passes 4:2.

Fire Chief John Houtz reported have a quote for cleaning/prepping the floor to get it resealed with epoxy. That quote was for around \$1,850 however have not received the quote for resealing the floor yet. The charge for resealing is around #2 a square foot and fire station is roughly 2800 square foot including the kitchen plus a charge for striping. N Center St will be closed August 25<sup>th</sup> between Bryant St. and North St. due to hose testing. August 26<sup>th</sup> the fire truck(s) go to Pemberville for ladder testing.

Mayor reported looking at removing 13 trees in the Village and some are in the park that are bad. Council agreed to remove those 13 trees and possibly two more if within the current budget. Jones Tree Service will be in town starting tomorrow for tree removal.

The LED street lighting conversion is almost complete, just two lights left. EPA water line surveys are still coming in. Fiscal Officer will start putting information into the spreadsheet provided by the EPA. Choice One will have the bid package for the sanitary lift stations complete by the end of July. Solicitor is still working with the lawyer representing the Sheriff Dept. for the

CAD system for contract agreement.

Gross moved and Young second to approve the financial report (Cash Summary by Fund) for June 30, 2024. All yeah, M/C. Fiscal Officer passed out Estimated Revenues for 2025. Lee moved and Young second to approved the Estimated Revenues for 2025. All yeah, M/C. Fiscal Officer handed out information from ODOT for State Route 281 sign program, speed study, proposed new speed limits, etc. Council agreed to have ODOT do a speed study for Village of Wayne for St. Rt. 281.

No further business, Vandersall moved and Young second to adjourn. All yeah, M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Repasz  
Fiscal Officer

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Council President