

VILLAGE OF LYNDON STATION
Board Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING for 2024 Village Budget

Public Hearing for the 2024 Village Budget was opened to allow residents to ask questions regarding the annual budget and the Board explained it to everyone in attendance. President Welsh made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

President Welsh made a motion to approve the 2024 Operating Budget of \$524,347, seconded by Trustee Place. Motion carried unanimously.

Call to Order/Roll Call

President Welsh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present: President Ed Welsh, Trustee Morgan Place and Trustee Rebecca Coley

Also Present: Michelle Klein, Clerk/Treasurer, Gene Churchill - Public Works, Michelle Senzig – Utility Clerk, Jeremy Bonikowske - Police Chief, Troy Madland – Fire Chief and John Krus – Deputy Chief

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussion and/or Approval of Village Board Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2023 and Special Board Meeting from November 20, 2023

A motion was made by President Welsh to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2023, seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by President Welsh to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes from November 20, 2023, seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Agenda

A motion was made by President Welsh to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Place. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Resolution 2023-04R Approving 2024-2025 Election Inspectors

A motion was made by Trustee Coley to approve Resolution 2023-04R Approving 2024-2025 Election Inspectors, Robert Darnell and Brenda Staude as Chief Inspectors, Sheila Hall, Lily Stieve and Rose Stieve as Election Workers, seconded by Trustee Place. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Date for January, 2024 Caucus

A motion was made by President Welsh to set January 8th 2024, for the 2024 Caucus, seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement for the WWTP and Sewer Project

A motion was made by President Welsh to Approve Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement for the WWTP and Sewer Project, seconded by Trustee Place. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Advertisement for Bids for WWTP and Sanitary Sewer Project

A motion was made by President Welsh to Approve Advertisement for Bids for WWTP and Sanitary Sewer Project, seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Clerk/Treasurer Report

A motion was made by Trustee Coley to Approve the Clerk/Treasurer Report for November 2023, seconded by President Welsh. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Water/Sewer Payables Report

A motion was made by President Welsh to Approve the Water Payables Report for November 2023, seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by President Welsh to Table the Sewer Payables Report for November 2023, seconded by Trustee Place. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Regarding the Playground Revitalization Project

A motion was made by Trustee Place to Approve the Playground Proposal, seconded by President Welsh. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Discussion

A discussion was held regarding the sink in the men's restroom at Travis Fitzgerald Memorial Park. Public Works Dept. will look into it. A progress reports was provided by a citizen regarding the improvements being made on the corner by the diner, park curb, brush cut, street lights, decorations, work being done on the garage behind the diner, gravel at the cemetery and new tires on the loader. Everything looks great.

Fire Chief Report Call and Purchases

Fire Chief Madland and Deputy Chief John Krus presented the board their annual report. All the municipalities that the Fire Dept covers will be provided with this report. The Fire Dept. also keeps an activity log that documents when people come in and do things at the Fire Department. The 2023 activity log shows 139 ½ unpaid hours and 125 unpaid hours for pump training. Chief Madland presented their 2023 budget and explained which items the Village needs to reimburse the Lyndon Fire Company Inc. and the loan for the Tender Payment to La Valle Telephone. Chief Madland explained their budget amount of \$6088 for turn out gear that whatever portion is not used each year will be put into a CD to earn interest. The Fire Dept received insurance checks for interstate claims and gave them to the Village to deposit into the Village Interstate Acct. Chief Madland requested a raise in the training pay using Shared Revenue.

A motion was made by Trustee Place to approve the 2024 contracts with the Town of Kildare of \$33,300, Lyndon of \$30,000 and Lemonweir of \$25,000 (3-year contract), seconded by President Welsh. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Report

Police Chief Bonikowske submitted documentation to the Gary Sinise Foundation for a grant of approximately \$30,000 to help pay for a police vest, 4 cameras for Fire Dept. and 4 helmets for the Police Dept. and EMR's. 26 calls of service were reported last month and he started placing winter parking notifications on vehicles to remind them of the winter parking ordinance. Juneau County Sheriff's Dept. had 36 calls in the Village. Report was given regarding the incident with an intoxicated male with 3 other people. This incident was broken up before law enforcement got on scene. 3 calls of service in the Village by the State Patrol. Currently there has been 207 calls of service for the year compared to 112 last year this time. Chief Bonikowske reported the condition of the transmission on the squad and that he is proposing looking at getting another squad under 50,000 miles. It will cost at least \$10,000 to outfit a squad with its emergency lighting.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by President Welsh to adjourn at 8:10pm, seconded by Trustee Coley. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Klein
Village Clerk/Treasurer