

This is a meeting of the Village Council of Woodstock in public for the purpose of conducting Village business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. Council may recognize you during their discussion for your comment.

**Village of Woodstock Village Council
REGULAR MEETING
Woodstock Municipal Building
June 10, 2024
6:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order by Phil Garland, Mayor

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. SET AGENDA

Morgan moved and seconded by Belcher to set the agenda.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Current moved and seconded by Morgan to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

4. VILLAGE SOLICITOR

Not present.

5. FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

Total receipts for the month of May were \$11,611.29 and expenditures were paid for the month totaling \$9,774.83. Expenses included \$3,400 for work on the shelter house and \$1,500 for dumpsters for the community cleanup event. Revenue through May (41.7% of the year) is 49.1% of plan.

North Lewisburg's claimed sewer service balance is \$110,933.96.

Morgan moved and seconded by Belcher to accept the financial statements for May 2024 and approve May 2024 expenditures as presented by the Fiscal Officer.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Zoning Board met earlier today to consider the recent request for changes to the Woodstock Zoning Ordinance to accommodate proposed veteran housing on N. Main. The meeting included members of the Zoning Committee, the Mayor, Rusty Pence, and Rochelle Morgan. Also present was Bryant Bailey and the LUC. The LUC prepared a proposed zoning text amendment for cottage housing at our request. Proposed is an amendment to the current zoning ordinance adding a detailed description of the type of housing proposed. The proposed amendment requires three readings in a public hearing. The first reading would be at tonight's Council meeting. This would be followed by a second reading at another meeting followed by a presentation of the proposal to the public which would take place in another meeting after 30 days public notice. Copies of the proposed amendment were distributed to members.

7. PUBLIC

None.

8. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Two proposed levy resolutions for future funding of the park were distributed to Council. Also included is a summary of actual expenditures for 2021, 2022, and 2023. These expenses were \$8,700, \$7,800, and \$10,000 respectively. The two resolutions include one at 1.5 mills and one at 2.0 mills. A 2.0 mill levy was attempted in 2013 but failed. That levy would have generated \$6,150 per year using the property valuation at that time. Using current valuation, 2.0 mills would bring in about \$9,960 per year. About \$7,470 would result from a 1.5 mill levy. The process required to place a levy on the ballot requires first that this "resolution of necessity" be adopted by Council. The approved resolution is then forwarded to the County Auditor for certification of the estimated revenue. After the certification, Council would need to adopt a "resolution to proceed" which would be submitted to the Board of Elections. The proposed resolutions are in response to numerous comments from the public about maintaining the park.

A resident of W. Bennett in attendance commented that there are a number of softball travel teams in the Triad area who participate in tournaments. Revenue could be generated by hosting some of these tournaments. Most are currently played in Cable. Herron stated that Woodstock has hosted travel teams in the past and the field is available for that now. Coaches are asked to do some minimum maintenance on the field. The resident stated that the problem may be that parents with full-time jobs wouldn't be able to do maintenance, or they think the field isn't available. The middle school is currently using Cable but would probably use Woodstock if they knew it was available and that the restrooms were accessible and the concession stand useable. Herron stated that the proposed levy is meant to cover routine maintenance, not upgrades or additions like a new concession stand. Teams have inquired this year about the field and were told what the requirements are, including dragging the infield. The resident proposed that a contact number be given to the coaches so that availability could be scheduled. Herron stated that the Village wouldn't be involved in scheduling the field. In the past, a team would identify the field as home and would have scheduling priority. That team would schedule other teams who wanted to use the field. The resident stated that nobody knows who to contact. Belcher stated that he lives near the field and is usually available.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

Current moved and seconded by Polatsek to suspend the rules.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

Morgan moved and seconded by Polatsek to declare an emergency.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

RESOLUTION 2024-02R – A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX OF TWO (2) MILLS IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION TO PROVIDE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION, AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY, IN TITLE ONLY.

This resolution is effective June 10, 2023..

Belcher moved and seconded by Morgan to declare the necessity of levying a two mill tax outside the ten mill limitation and requesting the County Auditor to certify the current tax valuation and amount of revenue that would be generated.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

The Mayor stated that the Planning Commission met and recommended by a 3-0 vote to adopt the two zoning text amendment proposals as written by LUC and to conduct a first reading at this meeting.

Belcher moved and seconded by Morgan to amend Article II of the Woodstock Zoning Ordinance to add the definition of "Cottage Housing Development."

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

Belcher moved and seconded by Morgan to amend Article X, Supplementary District Regulations, by adding text detailing conditions and requirements applicable to "Cottage Housing Development"

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

Polatsek moved and seconded by Belcher to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

Entered executive session at 7:10PM.

Returned from executive session at 7:31PM

Belcher moved and seconded by Current to increase the hourly wage for the maintenance person from \$20.00 per hour to \$23.00 per hour.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

Belcher moved and seconded by Polatsek authorizing the Mayor at his discretion to hire a part time maintenance person with an hourly wage of \$20.00 with no benefits or holiday pay.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

Roll Call: Current, Y; Weidner, A; Polatsek, Y; Belcher, Y; Zizzo, A; Morgan, Y.

Motion Carried; Y.

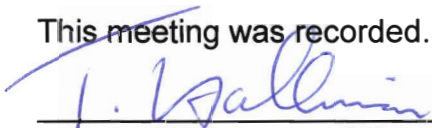
Belcher stated that park improvements are moving along well, especially since Rusty Pence came on board. Herron commended Belcher for his efforts

11. ADJOURNMENT

_____ moved seconded by _____ to adjourn.

Motion Carried; .

This meeting was recorded.



Tom Hallinan, Fiscal Officer



Tom Belcher, Council President



Phil Garland, Mayor