

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  
November 11, 2024  
6:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL**

Meeting was called to order by Phil Garland, Mayor

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

Also in attendance: Alison Boggs, Village Solicitor

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. SET AGENDA**

Weidner moved and seconded by Polatsek to set the agenda.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

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

Motion Carried; Y.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Belcher moved and seconded by Zizzo to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

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

Motion Carried; Y.

**4. FISCAL OFFICER REPORT**

Total receipts for the month of October were \$14,781.24 and expenditures were paid for the month totaling \$50,465.92. Expenditures included \$36,453 for 15 new grinders and accessories from Covalen, \$850 to Rusty Pence for work backing up Ron, and \$1,563.48 to the Woodstock Preservation Alliance. This expenditure is a donation of the balance of the American Rescue Plan Fund approved at the last meeting.

North Lewisburg's most recent invoice (10/25/2024) shows a balance due of \$141,286.11.

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

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

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

Motion Carried; Y.

**5. MAYOR'S REPORT**

None.

**6. PUBLIC**

A resident stated that the web site hasn't been updated for a while and he'd like to know where to find copies of the minutes of meetings. Hallinan stated that he has been having computer issues and is re-constructing the web site. Copies of minutes are being e-mailed to anyone on request.

A resident asked if the municipal building would be available for a Santa Claus event on December 15, at no cost to the Village. Council agreed and asked the resident to contact Ron who coordinates use of the building. Also, the resident stated that there is a tree in front of her house which has caused power interruptions in the past. She stated that DP&L told her that it was the Village's responsibility to correct the problem. The Mayor and Herron stated that the Village is not responsible for trees and that they are the responsibility of the homeowner. The same applies to sidewalks.

Bryant Bailey asked what he needs to do next to move forward with his tiny homes project. Herron stated that he needs to apply for a conditional use. He also re-iterated that the Village is unable to approve any sanitary sewer connections at this time. Bailey stated that he would need to install a small treatment facility on his property. Herron stated that he believes that such an installation is not permitted because of the existing sewer system. Bailey asked what the contingency plan is if North Lewisburg declines to continue sewer service. Herron stated that options are being evaluated and that public comment can't be made at this time.

In response to several questions about the status of the service agreement, Herron stated that there is a court-ordered mediation scheduled for December 5. We don't know what the outcome of the mediation will be, but it doesn't make sense at this point to begin expensive engineering studies until we know for sure that the existing infrastructure can't be used.

Further discussion included Bailey's desire to leverage the portion of his property in Rush Township for sewage handling from his site, North Lewisburg's ability to choke Woodstock's growth, and the incorrect perception that Woodstock isn't paying anything for sewer service, and clarification of Bailey's next steps and the current roadblock.

Resident Sarah Buchanan stated that the street lights are still out. Herron stated that AES has been notified and they'll schedule the repair.

The issue of donating the fire truck to the Woodstock Community Church was brought up. No decision was reached.

**7. VILLAGE SOLICITOR**

Weidner moved and seconded by Belcherto enter executive session to discuss on-going litigation.

Floor is open for discussion on motion.

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

Council entered executive session at 7:10PM.

Council returned from executive session at 8:05PM.

8. **VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

The subject of donating the fire truck was again brought up by Weidner. Herron stated that there has yet to be a motion or resolution to sell it. Weidner questioned the need to sell it rather than donate it. Herron stated that the truck has value, could be sold, and the Village is possibly about to make a major financial commitment for sewer. He also questioned the idea of randomly selecting an individual to receive it. The Mayor stated that he wanted it to go on govdeals.com.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

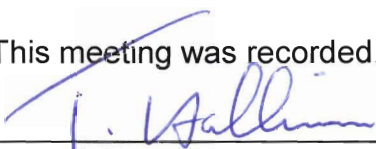
10. **NEW BUSINESS**

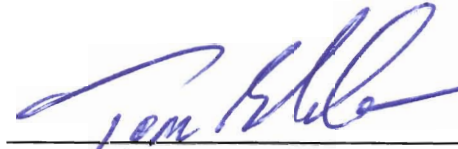
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11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Weidner moved seconded by Belcher to adjourn.  
Motion Carried; Y.

This meeting was recorded.

  
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Tom Hallinan, Fiscal Officer

  
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Tom Belcher, Council President

  
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Phil Garland, Mayor