

VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

09/09/2024

REGULAR SESSION

Held: September 9, 2024

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The Village of Frazeytsburg Council convened in regular session from 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. at the Township Hall.

The reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance was said by President of Council Emily McIntire.

A prayer was given by Councilperson KC Smith

PRESENT:

EMPLOYEES: Solicitor Tiberio, Fiscal Officer Grable, Chief Eliasha Bourne, Whitney Evans, Earl Jenkins, Andrea Janssen

VISITORS: Terry Swartz, Marty Grable

Roll call was made with the following members present:

- ✓ SMITH
- ✓ REISINGER
- ✓ LAUGHTON
- ✓ ROSS
- ✓ GAST

Absent: NONE

MINUTES

- Motion Ross, Second Reisinger approving the minutes from the **July 8, 2024** regular council meeting. FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS (resubmitted due to previous errors).
- Motion Reisinger, Second Laughton approving the minutes from **August 12, 2024** regular council meeting. FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS
- Motion Ross, Second Laughton approving the minutes from **August 29, 2024** special council meeting FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS

PAYMENT OF BILLS

- Motion Smith, Second Ross approving the payment of bills for **September 9, 2024**. FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS

Mayor's Court report:

ENTITY	AMOUNT	MONTH
Village	\$2325.00	August
State	\$733.00	August
Muskingum County Court	\$27.00	August
Total paid out	\$3085.00	August
Computer fund	\$200.00	August
Computer fund YTD	\$830.00	August

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Met September 9th 2024 before council meeting (the following info in regular type is the committees' notes, the bold letters are what was discussed during the council meeting)

Discussion concerning Medical Insurance for the employees:

- It was a bad year for insurance claims they went up 24%
- Big price jump if we stay on the same plan with Medical Mutual of \$30,000 annually -Plan structure between both plans is the same, Retail cost of drugs is the difference
- If make a change for employees they can use *discount cards* to help like *GoodRX* to reduce the cost of prescriptions putting the cost of prescriptions back in the hands of the employees
- Councilperson Smith added as an employer in the state of Ohio you are required to pay at least 50% of employee's premium
- Looking at the deductibles the Anthem proposal is the same as what we have now
- The Committee also looked at the difference between an HRA and an HSA, what is the cost difference? What do other municipalities do?
- **Chief Bourne suggested that the Finance Committee show a list of what they are thinking of doing and present it to the employees, mentioning that some employees are here because of the benefits and if you take them away some employees may leave**
- **Zoning Inspector Earl Jenkins mentioned that even working for the State he does not have as good of insurance as what the Village offers**
- **Pool Supervisor Andrea Janssen mentioned that the school has an (HSA) healthcare savings account and shared her opinion of the benefits of the policy she uses.**
- **It was mentioned that there are differences for small and large employers.**
- **Council discussed and decided on a special called meeting when Mayor Wolford gets back from Vacation scheduled for September 25th at 6:00 P.M. to make the final decision on the Medical Insurance policy.**
- **Finance will have an additional Special Called Committee meeting on September 19th at 6:00 P.M. to discuss further.**

BPA:

VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS MEETING MINUTES

8/27/24

The Board met at the Village Office with the following members present:
Mayor Wolford, Kenny Jenkins, Dave Ludinich, James Wriston, and Pam Parrill.

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James Wriston went over the various reports, such as the month end, adjustments, and bulk water included in the month end.

James asked about the entrance lines that were to be checked for EPA, Mayor Wolford told him it was completed and turned in.

No new business or old business to be discussed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Ludinich

Second was made by Kenny Jenkins

Next meeting will be held on September 24th, 2024 @ 3:00pm at the Village Office.

INCOME TAX: Nothing new to report.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT:

Met 9/4/24 met in regular session (the following info in regular type is the committees' notes, the bold letters are what was discussed during the council meeting)

Members Present: Committee Chair Emily McIntire, Kurt Laughton, and KC Smith were all in attendance

Guests: none

Discussion was had on the following:

- We reviewed the email from Natalie to Bethany J. Nelson from the auditor's office. Information directly from the auditor's office indicates fund accounting is the way the Village can handle the money- pls see attached. We need this resolved ASAP.
- What is the status of using Village copy machine to make flyers to mail? We did not hear back.
- Planning meeting for games in 2 weeks Wednesday September 18th
- Cornhole in beer garden for Oktoberfest
- What is the total shortage for the pool (money) for the season?
- Can you explain the folder for the pool money? We went through it and want to make sure we understand it all.
- **Last Saturday KC, Emily, and Diane went to Stone Crest Winery to see if they would want to help with the Oktoberfest. They said they would sell us wine for 66% retail price, now just need to decide what flavors to have at Oktoberfest it was decided that the Oktoberfest committee will buy the wine through the FRA since they are the ones that will have the license.**
- **Councilperson Carol Ross mentioned that the FRA had not received the license yet, Fiscal Officer Grable stated when submitted it said thirty days ahead of event so they might wait till then to approve it**
- **For Oktoberfest since there is no fund account to put the money into, we are suggesting that the vendors donate at the end of the day rather than charging a \$10 fee and maybe they will**

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donate more than the \$10. Pool Supervisor Janssen asked about the google form that is currently up since it reads that it is a fee and how its fair for the food truck people to pay the fee but the vendors to just donate at the end of the day, Councilperson McIntire mentioned that its on there already that there is a difference of cost so it will not make a difference

- Janssen also mentioned that the food truck price must be more and a fee because they are hooking up to the electric to where the vendors are not. Councilperson McIntire will update the google forms that the vendors and the food trucks sign up on;
- Janssen can bring her cornhole boards for the cornhole tournament, Councilperson Liz Gast also has some for use.
- We are still waiting on our liquor license to go through once they are received going to get ahold of Matesich Distributing for the purchase of alcohol and Stone Crest mentioned that they are willing to run wine down the day of the event if we run low.
- A planning meeting for Oktoberfest games is set for September 18th
- It was asked what the pool made this season and if it was in the red. Grable stated she was not sure on what it made, she had not gotten to that report yet. It was asked if that report could be ready for the next meeting. Grable stated “yes” she could do that.

SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Met 8-19-24

Did not meet

- Councilperson McIntire and Gast mentioned there is a bush at the corner of Basin and First that obstructs views.
- McIntire and Ross state that the house next to the old IGA has debris that impedes use of the sidewalk.

ZONING REPORT:

Met 8-27-24

Zoning Inspector Earl Jenkins was present and gave the following information to Council:

- Councilperson Reisinger asked if zoning was told to back off sidewalks? To which Jenkins replied that “yes”, but will need addressed in the future. Discussion was had about getting good sidewalks for the kids to walk to school. Chief Bourne mentioned that is why Safe Routes to School was applied for. Jenkins stated that the safe way to walk to school would be to use the sidewalk out back of the school. Councilperson McIntire noted that early morning kids do not use that sidewalk they just walk down third street in the dark which is unsafe. Councilperson Laughton mentioned that his daughter walks to school every day from their house and has never had an issue. It was asked if we still had a crossing guard? Not since Bod Hindel volunteered for that position.
- Pool Supervisor Janssen asked if the sidewalks were the Village or the homeowner’s responsibility? Jenkins and Gast explained that it is the homeowner’s responsibility

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- **Jenkins announced that zoning permits are starting to come in and most have been approved but there was one that got denied because they wanted to add a third trailer and it would only be 3.5 feet off the property line. Chief Bourne mentioned three trailers constitute a park.**
- **Mayor Wolford asked that zoning wait for tornado clean up to finish before giving out violations; and Jenkins believes it is time to start handing out papers.**
- **Councilperson Reisinger feels that the town did well with the tornado and that over all the town got a face lift.**
- **What is going on with the farm house on the end of town? Fiscal Officer Grable stated that the owner had come into the office and they are not rebuilding; it is going to be farm land. They are waiting on their contractors to come in and remove everything**
- **Reisinger asked about the house next to Fallsburg Pizza as it looked like the frame was twisted. It was mentioned they were having issues with their insurance company but are currently living elsewhere**
- **The camper at Fallsburg Pizza- Jenkins mentioned that the biggest push back they will receive is going to be this camper**
- **The old Harlon house has been addressed and Mayor Wolford knows someone who is interested in it, as the owner would like to donate it and the Village does not want it**
- **What is happening with the old IGA? The owner had been spoken with and he was taking the back off and fixing the rest of it but overall, it will be smaller than what it was, it was asked if we could have it roped or blocked off as its wide open anyone could go in there and it is not a safe structure**

POLICE REPORT:

September 2024 Report to Council and Jackson Township

Statistics for August 2024 [vs previous month]:

Total Incidents: 96 [91]

Calls for Service: 53 [52]

Traffic Stops: 43 [39]

Citations/Criminal Summons Issued: 22 for 24 violations [18]: 11 Speed (35/25, 44/25, 52/35, 50/35, 55/35, 52/35, 40/25, 54/35, 48/25, 44/25, 43/25), 4 Expired Registrations, 2 Disorderly Conducts, 1 Driving Under Suspension, 1 No OL, 1 No MC end., 1 No Plate, 1 Fictitious Plate, 1 Reckless Operation, 1 ROW @ Stop sign

Arrests made: 4 [1]: 2 Runaways, 1 Juvenile Menacing/Obstructing, 1 Misdemeanor Warrant

Notes for the Month:

It was a very busy month continuing and finishing out our summer trend of increased activity. Ofc. Lewis has started working shifts by himself giving much needed coverage. He is currently working 24 hours per week. Giving 3 more shifts/ week that were previously uncovered. This has helped tremendously with weekends and nights.

We have had a rash of Juvenile related crime this month. Please keep an eye out and report any suspicious behavior immediately report to the Muskingum County Sheriff's Office at 740-452-3637. We are still struggling with people who report crimes to the office phone or to the Mayor the next day or even days later. Even when we

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have an officer on duty. The proper way to report an issue is to Call the dispatcher at the Sheriffs Office. They will dispatch us if available which has been a lot more lately due to the extra coverage. If we are not they will send a deputy.

Jackson Township:

Of the 52 calls for service, 9 [10] were in Jackson Township. They were as follows:

- 08/07 Suspicious Veh., SR16 @ Old Riley, Disabled assist citizen
- 08/12 Rolling DV, SR16 @ Blackrun, GOA
- 08/12 Car vs Deer, Raiders @ Fairall, GOA cleaned up debris from roadway
- 08/16 Disabled Veh., SR 16 MP5, Assist Citizen
- 08/17 Suicide Threat, Hamby Hill, Assisted SO
- 08/26 Reckless MC, SR16, No MC endorsement
- 08/26 Road Hazard SR 16 WB from Cass Twp. Stopped at Sr 586, Warning for equipment issue
- 08/27 Warrant, Frew Park, 1 arrest
- 08/30 OD/Psychotic breakdown, SR 16 MP4, Detained a Parolee on his way to rehab and took to Gensis ER on writ for trying to jump out of the moving vehicle
- 08/30 Car vs deer, SR 16 @ Old Riley, took report

Other Agency Assists outside Jurisdiction:

Cass Township:

- 08/02 Check Welfare, From Fanatics, Driver under influence, UTL
- 08/03 Reckless Veh., Narrows @ School house, UTL never got to Shannon Rd
- 08/03 Head on Crash w entrapment SR 16 @ Dresden Rd, Assisted OSP
- 08/07 Welfare Check, The Landings, Walk away, Not court ordered transported to Schmidy's to wait for ride
- 08/11 Suspicious Activity, Car and 4 people in driveway demanding money, Assisted S.O.
- 08/12 Road Hazard, SR 60 @ Narrows, Man on bike with wagon in traffic, Assisted Dresden PD

Dresden PD:

- 08/06 Domestic, High St, Assisted Dresden Officer

As always please be sure to keep an eye out for any suspicious activity and report it to the Muskingum County Sheriff's Dispatch center at 740-452-3637 or call 911 in case of an emergency.

- **People are calling directly to the station instead of calling 911 and both the Fire department and the Police department are asking to pass the word to call 911.**
- **Officer Lewis now has a full-time job at Genesis Hospital but is still willing to do some part time shifts**
- **It was suggested that the PD do a PSA on Facebook to call 911 for dispatch instead of looking for an officer or telling them days later**

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FIRE REPORT:

EMS	Fire	Misc	Total
#25	#4	#1	#30
Village	Jackson	Pike	
#16	#5	#1	
Falls Twp. Mutual Aid #1	Licking Twp. Mutual Aid #1	Hanover Mutual Aid #1	Dresden Mutual Aid #3

Hanover -1

LEGISLATION:

FIRST READING:

- **RESOLUTION 51-24** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REHIRING OF ELIASHA BOURNE AS POLICE CHIEF FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025
- **RESOLUTION 56-24** A RESOLUTION TO HIRE ATTORNEY TAYLOR BENNINGTON AS SOLICITOR FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG FOR THE YEAR 2025

SECOND READING: NONE

THIRD READING:

- **RESOLUTION 43-24** Table to next meeting Motion Ross, Second Smith A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO RENEW THE VILLAGE'S INSURANCE WITH RANKIN & RANKIN INSURANCE
FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS
- **ORDINANCE 14-24** Motion Reisinger, Second Smith AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS IN THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG ZONING ORDINANCE
FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS

After this Ordinance was passed Councilperson Gast brought it to councils' attention that the wording of this resolution is not how the zoning committee wanted it worded. In the Ordinance it read that you were only permitted three days of camper usage and the zoning committee wanted it to be longer; so, if someone was remodeling their house they would not have to go and rent a place. Councilperson Laughton mentioned that all they would have to do would be talk to the zoning committee then they decide what happens next. Councilperson Reisinger mentioned making it so that they could apply for a permit but make

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it limited so people do not abuse the system. Chief Bourne suggested applying for the permit after the three days were up. Solicitor Tiberio stated that the Ordinance could be amended to make changes to it once it has passed. Zoning Inspector Jenkins mentioned he wanted it to be in place as he was going to be dealing with a camper situation the next day. Council asked that zoning discuss it at their next meeting and tell council how they would like it worded. It was brought up how to write the resolution, since in the future some campers may attend tournaments at the ballparks that the Village will be obtaining. Council feels we do not want to start that; however, it was stated that Mayor Wolford might want it. You might have problems since they have camped there for years. Council said that was before the Village owned it so they cannot really fight council on it.

NEW AND EMERGENCY:

- **RESOLUTION 55-24** Motion Smith, Second Laughton suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND 2043, SWIMMING POOL FUNDRAISING FUND; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

Motion Laughton, Second Smith adopting A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND 2043, SWIMMING POOL FUNDRAISING FUND; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

- It was asked where we were with the school district? Solicitor Tiberio explained that he had contacted the school's attorney multiple times. The last time they were contacted he explained that the Village was moving forward with it and if they had any problems to let him know and he never heard back from them. Councilperson McIntire mentioned that she would go to a school board meeting and ask them about it but she would like documentation of the conversations that Tiberio had with the School's Attorney.
- **RESOLUTION 57-24** Motion Laughton, Second Smith suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE STRAKER FOUNDATION TO MEET EXPENSES OF UPDATING THE TENNIS COURTS IN THE VILLAGE TO PICKLEBALL COURTS; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

Motion Smith, Second Laughton adopting A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE STRAKER FOUNDATION TO MEET EXPENSES OF UPDATING THE TENNIS COURTS IN THE VILLAGE TO PICKLEBALL COURTS; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

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- **RESOLUTION 58-24** Motion Reisinger, Second Laughton suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH A WPCLF PLANNING LOAN FOR FUTURE WASTEWATER TREATMENT EXPANSION; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger adopting A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH A WPCLF PLANNING LOAN FOR FUTURE WASTEWATER TREATMENT EXPANSION; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

- **RESOLUTION 59-24** Motion Laughton, Second Smith suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR NATURAL GAS FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 2024 FOR A PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

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- **RESOLUTION 60-24** Motion Laughton, Second Smith suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR AN ELECTRIC SUPPLIER FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG BUILDINGS, EFFECTIVE MAY 2025 FOR A PERIOD OF 48 MONTHS; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

Motion Laughton, Second Smith adopting A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR AN ELECTRIC SUPPLIER FOR THE VILLAGE OF FRAZEYSBURG BUILDINGS, EFFECTIVE MAY 2025 FOR A PERIOD OF 48 MONTHS; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

- **RESOLUTION 53-24** Motion Ross, Second Laughton suspending the rules on A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

Motion Laughton, Second Smith adopting A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY. **FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS**

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TABLED UNTIL OCTOBER: Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS

- **RESOLUTION 40-24** A RESOLUTON TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES IN THE VILLAGE INCOME TAX ORDINANCE TO AFFECT A ZERO CREDIT FOR THE LOCAL INCOME TAX

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS and MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- Special thanks to Olde Village Meats for donating hot dogs for this pool season. We sold 561 hot dogs throughout the season and only had to buy buns! Sales of hot dogs minus the cost of buns left us with a total profit of \$697.40 towards the concession stand and we appreciate KC and Jeff so much!
- Electric Aggregation paper was included for council to look over
- Town hall- citizens renting it? It was asked because Whitney is currently working on the fee schedule and it had been discussed but never decided upon. Laughton mentioned having a problem of having someone close that had a key and could let them in. Who would be the ones cleaning it? We could put a lock on it that has a one-time code for whomever rented it. Reisinger stated that if you plan on building a community center, wouldn't you want to want to wait and rent that out instead?
- Cyber Security Training- new property and liability insurance is offering this for all village employees, October 7 @ 10:00 a.m. and employees got an email about .gov emails because of the new property and liability insurance company recommend them with the cyber security. Janssen mentioned that she had not gotten an email for the .gov email, an email reset link will be sent
- Wi-fi cords at the Water and Sewer plant have been hung and just need padlocks on them. Laughton asked if the internet at the pool worked since he had gone down and fixed it? Should we get a box to put up down at the pool and Laughton offered to put it up.

- **VISITOR COMMENT:**
There were no visitor comments

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Motion Laughton, Second Reisinger to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., until October 15th, 2024, at 6 p.m. at the Township Hall, located at the corner of Second Street and State Street in Frazeytsburg, Ohio. FIVE (5) YEAS, ZERO (0) NAYS.

Ms. Emily McIntire

Mrs. KC Smith

Ms. Carol Ross

Mr. Kurt Laughton

Mr. Emmett Reisinger

Mrs. Liz Gast

Mayor Fred R. Wolford, Jr.

Fiscal Officer Natalie Stillion Grable

All formal actions of the Village of Frazeytsburg concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised