

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carver called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on April 15th , 2024.

INVOCATION

Emily Shaffer offered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Carver led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members of council answered roll call; Tim Clapper, Aron Fraizer, Kay Hines, Mark Phillips, and Emily Shaffer. Chris Sherbourne was excused. Solicitor Matt Griffith, Administrator Derek Allen, Fiscal Officer Cathy Davis, Fire Chief Mark Carey, and Police Chief Adam Lakey were also present.

MINUTES

Shaffer moved and Fraizer seconded to approve the April 1st minutes with corrections. Roll Call: Shaffer, Fraizer, Clapper, Hines, Phillips – all yes.

GUESTS

Alberta Stojkovic with the Morrow Co. Sentinel.

Alberta announced that the Gilead Friends Church will be celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Friends Church.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Lakey has requested council approval for the appointment of Scott Sanford as Auxiliary Patrol Officer who was sworn in on April 11th. Hines moved and Shaffer seconded to appoint Scott Sanford as an auxiliary police officer for the Mt. Gilead Police Department. Roll Call: Hines, Shaffer, Clapper, Fraizer, Phillips – all yes.

Body cameras were received and are currently working with Motorola to get them set up to be implemented.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Carey reported that a joint training was held with the Cardington Fire Department and Big Walnut Fire District.

Brush 12 was repaired in house.

The FF2 class will finish May 6th.

FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES - KAY HINES

Hines reported on the excess amount of supplemental appropriations. This will continue throughout the year due to the budget being passed with basic operating money. There was nothing in the budget for maintenance or projects. This will need to be put into the 2025 budget.

The committee discussed the street sweeper. Allen reported that he is looking at leasing vs. buying for next year's budget. He will be renting one for the remainder of this year.

Clapper asked where the budget will be at the end of the year and would like to know what we have to spend for the remainder of the year.

Next meeting is May 20th at 6:00 pm.

CODES, REGULATIONS AND ZONING - EMILY SHAFFER

Next meeting is 4/22 at 6:00 pm.

SAFETY - TIM CLAPPER

Next meeting is 5/6 at 6:00 pm.

STREETS -MARK PHILLIPS

Next meeting is 5/7 at 6:00 pm.

UTILITIES - CHRIS SHERBOURNE

Phillips reported on behalf of Sherbourne. EPA has been talking about forever chemicals in the drinking water. Allen told the committee that Mt. Gilead does not have to worry about those chemicals in the drinking water.

We are still in the ESIP program through Ohio Edison which means that any burned out light will get replaced with LED bulbs.

Sherbourne is concerned about the lack of lighting on Douglas St. and Hillside. He would like to see additional lightning at these locations.

Allen gave the committee plans for a possible industrial park going in behind the Morrow County Jail.

The money for the water treatment plant project must be obligated by the end of 2024. Bids and Construction may start in early 2025.

Phillips had questioned the water at HPM #2. He found out that this is not part of the aquifer for Mt. Gilead's drinking water.

Next meeting to be determined.

LONG RANGE PLANNING - ARON FRAIZER

Next meeting is 5/13 at 6:00 pm.

ADMINISTRATOR-DEREK K. ALLEN

Allen reported that the water fountain and trash cans are in, as well as the picnic tables for the pool.

S & S caulking, the firm that sealed the base of the walls last year, has provided a quote to caulk the base this year before the pool opens.

Spring clean-up is scheduled for April 18, 19 and 20.

Allen is setting new protocols for overtime that will be implemented by water, sewer, and street departments.

We are still in the process of locating lead lines throughout the village.

The Tri-Rivers students will be here on April 26th.

MAYOR - DONNA CARVER

Mayor Carver reported that the Mt. Gilead library is collecting eclipse glasses. She would like to thank the police and fire department for their extra preparedness for the eclipse.

She would like to apply for the historical marker grant again this year. The cost, if approved, will be under \$4,000.00. Fraizer moved and Hines seconded for the mayor to apply for the historical marker grant. Roll Call: Fraizer, Hines, Clapper, Phillips, Shaffer - all yes.

Mayor Carver updated council on the Voltz property clean-up. She had talked to Jennifer Voltz and told her that we would pay the cleaning company the \$3,000.00. However, she had paid the whole bill. Jennifer was told that we could not reimburse her.

Mayor Carver would like to see a trash service policy for those residents we pick up outside the village limits. Clapper said that it should go to a committee. It was decided that it will go to the utility committee for discussion.

Carver reminded council that the next meeting will be the joint meeting with the Mt. Gilead Township trustees.

SOLICITOR

No report.

FISCAL OFFICER - CATHY DAVIS

Phillips moved and Fraizer seconded to approve the bills. Phillips asked Fire Chief Carey why there was a tow bill for the fire truck. Chief Carey stated that when they were on a call the truck slid off the driveway. Roll Call: Phillips - yes, Fraizer - yes, Clapper - yes, Hines - yes, Shaffer - abstain.

Shaffer moved and Hines seconded to suspend the reading of resolution 4-15-24. Roll Call: Shaffer, Hines, Clapper, Fraizer, Phillips - all yes. Hines moved and Fraizer seconded to pass resolution 4-15-24. Roll Call: Hines, Fraizer, Clapper, Phillips, Shaffer - all yes.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

None

Hines moved to adjourn at 7:45 pm.

Approved:

Cathy Davis, Fiscal Officer

Donna J. Carver, Mayor