

01/23/2024
COUNCIL MEETING

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers, 2nd floor at 102 Willow Street, New Richmond Ohio, in regular session on Tuesday, ~~January 23~~, 2024, at 7pm.

Vice Mayor Prues opened the meeting with everyone standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Mayor Ewing asked for Roll Call of all Councilmembers with the following members responding:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Present in Council Chambers:

Mayor Glenn Ewing . Absent/Illness

Administration: Interim Administrator Bob Lindhorst, Clerk of Council Kelley Snider

Department Heads: Fire/EMS Tim Feldkamp, Police Chief Eric Williams

Solicitor Scott Sollmann

Guests present in Council Chambers

Resident: Donna Prues, Lisa Tharpe, Charles Buckingham

Non-Village Resident:

Zoom: Sophie Woodruff, Bob Lees, Jeff Baxter, 513-615-9925 (no name showed) GDS (No name shown)

COMMUNICATIONS:

Charles Buckingham:

- Interested in keeping a marina in the village. Wants council thoughts. Inquired about bringing a marina to the village, possibly where Skippers is or behind the Old Sunset Bar/ Landing. Would like to get Councils thought on this. Would like the status on the Grants. He has a barge and slip docks (like the old Fat Boys) Business plan would be modeled more like a Marina, small operation, family oriented. If that doesn't work, would like for it be another location. Councilperson Woodruff asked that he come back with a Plan A and Plan B. Asked about Council where we are with the grants. It's getting closer per Dennis.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the January 09, 2024, Regular Council meeting was presented for approval.

Councilperson Dalton made motion to approve Minutes of the January 09,2024, (with changes) Regular Council meeting; seconded by Councilmember Allen, Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

COMMITTEE REPORTS/Non-Meeting Week
Personnel and Finance / Chair Mary Allen
Safety, Rules and Laws, Chair Ryan Woodruff

Administrators Report, Bob Lindhorst

Mark Grever reached out to me about possibly developing a property he owns, 85.6 acres located between 906 and 872 Old US 52 which runs along the east side on Rachels Drive and runs up behind Robin Hill Lane, the property is also adjacent to 359 acres owned by PWP River Hill LLC. Back in 2006 he was asking for a zoning change from R2 single family to R3-PUD, but I don't think he pursued it. His plan is to build higher end homes based on the Arcadia Development by Fischer Homes in Alexandria Ky. I did invite Mark to attend the next Planning Committee meeting. He will come to Planning Commission meeting February 1st.

Last week with help from Steve Canter (Environmental Engineering) we submitted a grant to the Ohio Department of Development (Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant program) to replace water main valves throughout the village. To comply with the asset management program, valves throughout the system need to be replaced. Maintenance personnel are not able to isolate line sections during frequent breaks, resulting at time in system depressurization. Estimate project cost \$489,600.

Shout Out to Norm Collins, Tom Welch, Jake Bauman, (Utility Dept) and Gary Spires (Street Dept) on the work performed last week in very demanding weather conditions with temperatures below zero. We had one water main break on State Rt 132 that required 2 days to repair and one service line on Center Street and of course the snow event on Thursday/Friday.

Water Meter Project

145 meters left to install.

Waiting on meters and transmitters, should be here by March.

Went from 4 to 5 days reading meters to 1 day 3 to 5 hours.

Police Chief Eric Williams:

- Annual Report emailed out.
- Calls For Service for 2022 went down 3,268 calls – that was down 500 calls from year before.
- Traffic 169 total, criminal, 172 violations speed of 55, 88 other speed related, 226 total non-speed related offences. Mayor Court Revenue did go up. 21,200. 17 Domestic Violences and 4 Felonies.
- Councilperson Prues asked if we could put an Action Agenda in place and work with Joel on budget and come up with a strategy or plan to help get to their goals. Councilperson Dalton stated we could use ARPA funds for staffing. Councilperson Feldkamp feels we need to put the cars need to put up, and Councilperson Allen agrees. Councilperson Dalton doesn't want to hide anything. Councilperson Woodruff asked the status of the online auction we approved and why hasn't it happened. With the Enterprise deal was part of a trade in. There is a meeting on Friday to discuss.

- There was discuss on tasers. Councilperson Dalton asked them not to get used. The new ones are \$900 new. The Union Townships tasers. Union Township taser are not used a lot – We should have one for all officers and have 5 extra on hand.

Fire/EMS Chief Tim Feldkamp:

- Meeting Thursday with Thomas Michell and State-Run Report System.
- If we decide Enterprise not for us, he has located a truck for a command vehicle at Jeff Wyler. (\$49K-new vehicle).
- The Marks Grant is part of the Radio Grants – will find out if we will get help with it or have to pay outright.
- Will be in Florida for next Council Meeting, someone will come in Tim's place.

Vice Mayor Larry Prues:

- Would like Council to make the following motion in regards to Planning Commission.
 - Replace Liz Hill with Jeff Baxter
 - Replace Erica Willis with Amy Donley as alternate.

Councilperson Dalton made the following motion regarding Planning Commission to replace Liz Hill with Jeff Baxter and Amy Donley to replace Erica Willis as alternate. Seconded by Councilperson Allen.

Mary Allen Yes

Richard Feldkamp Yes

Larry Prues Yes

Jon Tharpe Yes

Dennis Dalton Yes

Ryan Woodruff Yes

Scott Sollmann: Prior work commitment.

Council Clerk of Council, Kelley Snider:

- K Marie Florist has asked for Valentines Day that there be no parking on Walnut Stret side of her building on February 14th from 9am-6pm. No motion was needed.

LEGISLATION read by Mayor Ewing / None

First Reading / NA

Second Reading / NA

Third Reading / NA

CALL OF MEMBERS:

Larry Prues

- Prayers to Mayor Glenn Ewing, hope he makes a quick recovery.

Mary Allen:

- Follow up to Director Ohio Valley Forest Fellowship. We can get as many seedlings as we would like.
- Pick up March 27 small and in boxes - 3rd grade level is the good age for this project. White pine and oak and pecan are our choices. Councilperson Allen will get the information to Councilperson Tharpe. The Admin car would work for pick up.
- * Paddlers are coming back - Jun 2nd - 11th, They will stop here on Wednesday. (ORW)
- Will get with Business Association and Riverdays.

Ryan Woodruff

- Structures at the ballfield - do we need to keep them up? Cages fencing? Per Bob Lindhorst, Mayor Ewing asked them to start taking things down.

Richard Feldkamp

- Reminder about the Valentines Dinner at the VFW sponsored by NRAM.

Jon Tharpe

- Nothing to report.

Dennis Dalton

- Commend everyone for bringing problems with solutions.
- Councilperson Prues, Bob Lindhorst and I had a meeting with KZF team on signage (QR codes listing trails, historic sites). Hope to have news by next meeting.

Councilperson Woodruff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11pm seconded by Councilperson Allen. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen Yes

Larry Prues Yes

Dennis Dalton Yes

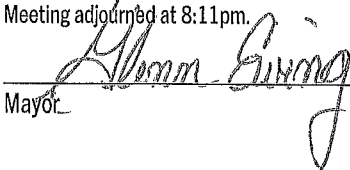
Richard Feldkamp Yes

Jon Tharpe Yes

Ryan Woodruff Yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.

Mayor



Council Clerk

