

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
THE VILLAGE OF CHESAPEAKE  
COUNCIL MEETING**

Held: December 4th, 2023

The Village of Chesapeake convened in regular session from 7:00 pm to 8:08 pm in the Village Hall of Chesapeake, Ohio. Mayor Drew Griffin called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Lisa Blake – Present	Jacob Wells – Present	Alex Martin – Present
Paul Hart – Present	Katie Bentley – Present	Marvin Henson – Present

**Employees:** Police Department; Chief Josh Sammons, Fire Department; Lieutenant Cheryl McMaster.

**Visitors:** 19

Prayer was given by Councilman Jacob Wells.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Drew Griffin.

**Minutes**

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to approve the November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Second to motion was Councilman Alex Martin. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to approve the November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting minutes passed with a 6/0 vote.

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to allow Councilwoman Katie Bentley to solicit for charity donations for the Christmas dinner. Second to motion was Councilwoman Lisa Blake. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Abstain	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion for Councilwoman Katie Bentley to solicit for charity donations passed with a 5/1 vote.

**Public Participation**

Union Township Trustee Cole Webb addresses Council with playground equipment they have purchased from Washington Township and would like to donate to the Village Park. In the contract signed the equipment needs removed by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Mayor Drew Griffin has spoke with some people that are willing to help with the equipment. Measures will need to be taken for safe zones for insurance purposes. Collins Career Center is also building a handicap swing.

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to accept the donated playground equipment from Union Township Trustees. Second to motion was Councilman Alex Martin. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to accept the playground equipment passed with a 6/0 vote.

**Special Presentation**

Mayor Drew Griffin presented Councilman Paul Hart with a plaque for his 38 years of service on Council. Councilman Paul Hart gave a speech.

**Fiscal Officer Report**

Fiscal Officer Stephanie Henson asks Council if there are any questions about packet sent to Council. There were no questions.

**Fire Department Report**

Lieutenant Cheryl McMaster gave report starting with the shop with a Fireman is this Saturday, they are able to help 10 kids this year and breakfast will be at Bob Evans in Huntington at 8:00 am. The Christmas dinner will be at 6:00 pm Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> at Bare Arms in Huntington.

Mayor Drew Griffin spoke with the adjuster and he can not get a response from Classic Construction. Per their conversation they are requesting to cut ties with Classic Construction and going with another contractor. A request was asked for Classic Construction to provide what has been paid and what they have completed, Classic Construction has refused to respond. Also, no response about setting up a meeting between Clint, Mayor Drew Griffin and the Fire Department to do a walk through the Fire Department.

**Police Department Report**

Police Chief Josh Sammons gave report starting with a docket of 30 for the month of November. Police Chief Josh Sammons, Lieutenant Mike Ferguson, Patrolman Batiste and Patrolman Morgan have all completed the continued training for this year. The Body Camera Grant is currently being reviewed.

**Street Department Report**

Street Commissioner Randy Carter gave report saying they cleaned out drains, swept the bypass and Symmes Creek Bridge.

**Old Business**

**Third reading of Ordinance 2023-15 Removal of Dog Waste and Digging.**

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to adopt Ordinance 2023-15. Second to motion was Councilman Marvin Henson. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-15 passed with a 6/0 vote.

**New Business**

**Ordinance 2023-20 Temporary Appropriations Budget.**

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to Suspend the Rules and Declare an Emergency for Ordinance 2023-20. Second to motion was Councilman Alex Martin. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to Suspend the Rules and Declare an Emergency for Ordinance 2023-20 passed with a 6/0 vote.

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to Adopt Ordinance 2023-20 for Fiscal Year 2024. Second to motion was Councilwoman Lisa Blake. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2023-20 passed with a 6/0 vote.

**Acceptance of the Estimated Revenue Income Certification from the County Auditor.**

Motion made by Councilman Alex Martin to accept the Estimated Revenue Income Certification from the County Auditor. Second to motion was Councilman Jacob Wells. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to accept the Certification passed with a 6/0 vote.

**Good of the Village**

Mayor Drew Griffin spoke with Kevin Wood from IBI Group on some Grant opportunities. Since our lighting is under contract with AEP it is possible to get a Grant to replace the three light heads at the intersection.

**Ordinance 2023-21 Bereavement Policy**

Motion made by Councilman Alex Martin to suspend the rules and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2023-21. Second to motion was Councilman Paul Hart. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes	Jacob Wells – Yes	Alex Martin – Yes
Paul Hart – Yes	Katie Bentley – Yes	Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2023-21 passed with a 6/0 vote.

Motion made by Councilman Paul Hart to Adopt Ordinance 2023-21 the Bereavement Policy, effective prior to November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Second to motion was Councilman Jacob Wells. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes

Jacob Wells – Yes

Alex Martin – Yes

Paul Hart – Yes

Katie Bentley – Yes

Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2023-21 passed with a 6/0 vote.

**Organizational Meeting**

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to set the Organizational meeting for Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 6:30 pm with the regular meeting to follow at 7:00 pm. Second to motion was Councilman Alex Martin. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes

Jacob Wells – Yes

Alex Martin – Yes

Paul Hart – Yes

Katie Bentley – Yes

Marvin Henson – Yes

Motion to set date and time for the Organizational meeting passed with a 6/0 vote.

Councilman Paul Hart makes his last and final motion to adjourn. Second to motion was Councilman Jacob Wells. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes

Jacob Wells – Yes

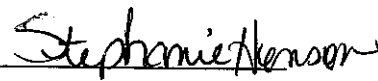
Alex Martin – Yes

Paul Hart – Yes

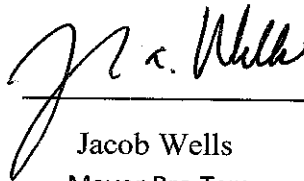
Katie Bentley – Yes

Marvin Henson – Yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.



Stephanie Henson  
Fiscal Officer



Jacob Wells  
Mayor Pro Tem



Drew Griffin  
Mayor