

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## THE VILLAGE OF CHESAPEAKE

### COUNCIL MEETING

Held: May 6, 2024

The Village of Chesapeake convened in a regular session from 6:31 pm to 9:04 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 Chief; Josh Sammons, Street Department; Randy Carter.

**Visitors:** 5

Prayer was given by Councilman Jacob Wells.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Drew Griffin.

#### **Minutes**

Motion made by Councilman Alex Martin to approve the April 1, 2024 regular meeting minutes. 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 approve the minutes passed with a 6/0 vote.

#### **Public Participation**

No Public Participation.

#### **Fiscal Officer Report**

Fiscal Officer Stephanie Henson gave report. Councilman Alex Martin requests to start seeing a Revenue Status Report with the packets. It is run by Council that US Bank has offered not to charge the deposit fee. Council leaves the decision to the Fiscal Officer. The choice is to go forward with the bank change to City National Bank. An invoice for \$241.00 is presented to Council from Roy Evans for the wiring of the Crown Vic.

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells to pay the invoice for \$241.00. 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 pay invoice for \$241.00 passed with a 6/0 vote.

### **Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Joey McMaster gave report. The power steering went out on Engine #13. He would like to get protective/vests for the Fire Department while on squad calls. A vest can cost \$700.00 to \$1,500.00 a vest. The basic universal vest is \$750.00. The Public Safety Committee will do some research.

Mayor Drew Griffin has an updated proof of loss for the Fire Department building to have final repairs. Councilman Jacob Wells mentions possibly having a First Responder Day for the community in the Village.

### **Police Department Report**

Police Chief Josh Sammons gave report with a docket of 47 in April. Patrolman Hanshaw will be back to normal duties next week. Police Chief Josh Sammons requests an Executive Session to discuss potential officers.

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Wells for an Executive Session to include Council, Mayor, Legal Counsel and the Police Chief. 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 for Executive Session passed with a 6/0 vote.

Executive Session starts at 7:15 pm.

Executive Session ends at 7:39 pm with no action taken.

Councilman Jacob Wells inquires about Police uniforms. Police Chief Josh Sammon is currently working on them. Councilman Jacob Wells asks if possibly the High School students that still need extra credit to come and take professional pictures of the Police Department and a group photo. Councilman Jacob Wells also asks if the Police Schedule is posted yet. Mayor Drew Griffin has new policies to go over with Police Chief Josh Sammons. It is also mentioned that a new hire training policy should be in place.

### **Street Department Report**

Street Commissioner Randy Carter gave report starting with thanking Councilman Marvin Henson for donating a chainsaw to the Street Department. The street department is needing shoves and blades for the zero turn. They will get a purchase order for this. They got a quote for \$200.00 a week for a concrete saw when they start filling in pot holes.

### **Old Business**

Second Reading of Ordinance 2024-6 Chapter 205

Councilwoman Katie Bentley gave an update to changes which is the section of graffiti will go through Council first instead of the Mayor.

#### Playground Equipment

Mayor Drew Griffin talks about needing help with funds for the fall space area. Discussion on what needs to be done to the equipment before it is put up. Proctorville reached out and is interested in any play equipment that may not be used. There is a \$1000.00 Safety Grant through PEP that can be used for the fall space area. The Planning Committee will look over the Safety Book and come up with a plan.

#### **New Business**

First Reading of Ordinance 2024-7 Medical and Recreational Marijuana. Motion made by Councilwoman Katie Bentley to bring ordinance 2024-7 to the floor. Second to motion was Councilman Alex Martin. Councilwoman Katie Bentley gave an update to a change which is adding Recreational to the Medical Marijuana. There was also discussion of any tax benefit or if any benefit at all to the Village.

#### Ordinance 2024-8 Refuse Collection

Motion made by Councilwoman Katie Bentley to bring Ordinance 2024-8 to the table. Second to motion was Councilman Paul Hart. Councilwoman Katie Bentley gave an update to a change which is changing the effective date to November 1, 2024. Also concerns of funding to get started, it is suggested to reach out for bids and have the company do the billing and the Village receives a percentage. Discussion between Council and the Mayor.

Motion made by Councilman Alex Martin to Suspend the Rules and Declare an Emergency for Ordinance 2024-8. 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 passed with a 6/0 vote.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lisa Blake to Adopt Ordinance 2024-8 minus item 2 of section 1. 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 Adopt Ordinance 2024-8 passed with a 6/0 vote.

Councilman Jacob Wells asks if anyone has had communication with the Commissioners concerning the Village getting Symmes Creek Boat Dock back. Mayor Drew Griffin says they do not want the maintenance agreement but there is no documentation. The Core of Engineers will inquire about us making an agreement of cleaning up the boat dock.

Councilman Jacob Wells asks about Keith Auto. Mayor Drew Griffin says it is time for an Officer to give them a 10-day notice to it cleaned up or a fence around the property. Mayor Drew Griffin sent the Fiscal Officer pictures of the property at 31 Candy Lane and wants a notice sent to pay prior invoice for

mowing and a 5-day notice to mow and do structural repairs. Mayor Drew Griffin is still waiting to hear from the Prosecutor pertaining to the property at 306 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

Councilman Jacob Wells had a conversation with Cole Webb about a possible contract between the Village and the Township for Police coverage. This is something that is just being ran by Council for thought.

**Good of the Village**

The petition to vacate Ben Alley has been received. Councilman Paul Hart asks about getting two goats on his property for 90-days. Research will be done.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lisa Blake to adjourn. Second to motion was Councilman Paul Hart. Roll call:

Lisa Blake – Yes

Jacob Wells – Yes

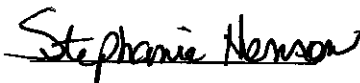
Alex Martin – Yes

Paul Hart – Yes

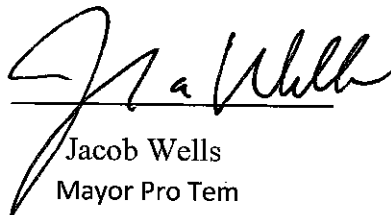
Katie Bentley – Yes

Marvin Henson – Yes

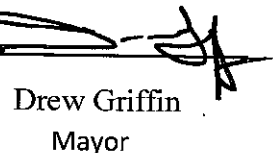
Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.



Stephanie Henson  
Fiscal Officer



Jacob Wells  
Mayor Pro Tem



Drew Griffin  
Mayor