

The Strasburg Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Mayor Steve Smith presided over the meeting. Pastor Marcus Weaver led the prayer.

Members answering roll call were Kathy Burrier, Jeff Smith, Liz Dreher, Dustin Briggs, Don Wallick, and Martin Zehnder. Other's present were Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger, Village Administrator Ron Lambert, Fire Chief Steve Laskey, Police Chief Dave Warrick, Zoning Inspector Ted Foster, Press Representative Barb Limbacher, Tuscarawas County Auditor Larry Lindberg, Michael Rosenberry, Jeannette Wierzbicki (OMEGA), Josh Sliker (OMEGA), Jerry Schultz, and Pastor Marcus Weaver.

A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2023 council meeting. At roll call, all members voted approval.

The December financial statement, December Unified Bank Statement, December SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills were presented and reviewed. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the December financial statement, December Unified Bank Statement, December SSB Worksheet, and the list of bills in the amount of \$ 194,912.30. At roll call, all members voted approval.

RESOLUTION 2022-22A

Resolution 2022-22A was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Resolution 2022-22A, A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO AUDITOR TO CERTIFY TO THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG THE VALUATION OF TAXABLE REAL ESTATE WITHIN THE VILLAGE'S BOUNDARIES, AND THE PROBABLE FUNDS THAT WOULD BE RAISED BY A CERTAIN MILLAGE OVER A FIVE-YEAR TERM (BEING THE TAX YEARS 2023 THROUGH 2027). At roll call, all members voted approval and this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Tuscarawas County Auditor Larry Lindberg provided Fiscal Officer Jennifer Mahoney with the Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue.

RESOLUTION 2023-3

Resolution 2023-3 was given its second reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Resolution 2023-3, A RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION, APPROVING SUBMISSION OF 3.7 MILL LEVY TO THE VOTERS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF STRASBURG, OHIO FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM (BEING THE TAX YEAR'S 2023 THROUGH 2027).

Mayor Steve Smith introduced Jeannette Wierzbicki and Josh Sliker with OMEGA and noted that a public hearing had been held today discussing the TAP Grant and Safe Routes to School Grant. Josh Sliker reported that the Tap Grant is a 95/5 grant that will be submitted for sidewalks in the downtown and that the application will be submitted by January 31, 2023. Sliker reported that the Safe Routes to School would be for sidewalks that are ADA compliant and can be up to 100 % up to \$ 500,000. Sliker noted that it would provide safe sidewalks for students to and from school in areas in the community and covers the design, engineering, and preliminary engineering. Sliker noted that the Tap grant covers construction and construction engineering, but the village would be responsible for the design. Jeannette Wierzbicki explained that the Tap program has 12 million available and that the village's proposed project is 1.6 million so we may want to phase out the project. Sliker noted that approval for the TAP Grant happens around May or June and for Safe Routes for School is July and would permit three to four years for completion of the projects. Sliker noted that once the funds are in the account the design can begin. Wierzbicki explained that scoping meetings will happen first and funds for construction will be in 2025 or 2026. Jeff Smith noted that we have talked about going with phases of the projects to be more likely to be approved. Wierzbicki noted that doing the Safe Routes to school is a good thing for the application and complimented the village on the proposed projects.

Zoning Inspector Ted Foster presented council a report that included two permits for storage sheds that were denied and that the residents have submitted appeals.

Police Chief Dave Warrick reported an increase in calls and reported that the department is currently working with the Strasburg School Principal and Guidance Counselor with a new class to be taught to freshman to seniors on interacting with the Police Officers. Warrick reported that the department will be meeting with community leaders tomorrow to discuss assisting homeless individuals in our village noting that we need a procedure in place to help someone in need.

Fire Chief Steve Laskey supplied council with a report including calls, 2023 budget, rescue tools that will arrive the first part of February, employees in paramedic school, hands on training every other month on gear, air packs, and masks. Laskey reported that the information on the upcoming inspections has been placed on Facebook and letters to businesses have gone out. Laskey noted that he attended an expo in Jackson this past weekend and many reported hearing great things about our department and that the moral is the best it has been in twenty years. Laskey noted that they will be having a CPR class in the near future. Laskey explained that the inspections will be a learning process because inspections have not been done in the past and noted that first the letters will go out, second, they will conduct a sample inspection, next schedule an actual inspection in three to six months, and if they are working on the issues there will be no citations. Laskey noted that we are not trying to put anyone out of business and explained that most issues are housekeeping and basic maintenance.

Finance – Chairman Jeff Smith reported that we are currently looking to update our website with a new contractor and that it would include email and text alert features. Smith noted that finance was approached by the police department with information on a new 2023 Chevy Tahoe cruiser noting the need to replace the Dodge Charger which is starting to cost the department money in repairs. Smith reported the quote in the amount of \$ 55,681.00 includes all equipment being installed out of the charger. Warrick noted that the Tahoe would provide more space for the officers with the equipment, and we can then auction the Charger. Warrick noted that the Tahoe is \$ 39,000.00 through Chevy for state purchasing to sell to municipalities. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve the purchase of the 2023 Chevy Tahoe police cruiser. At roll call, all members voted approval.

RESOLUTION 2023-2

Resolution 2023-2, was given its second reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Resolution 2023-2 A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, ROAD MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS OR SUPPLIES, WHICH ARE NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, OR ARE OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH THEY WERE ACQUIRED, DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 BY INTERNET AUCTION. PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE SEC. 721.15(D). At roll call, all members voted approval and this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-1-2023

Ordinance O-1-2023, An Ordinance authorizing payment of yearly stipends for emergency asset management, was given its first reading by title only. Smith noted that finance would like to amend the ordinance to be for one employee Chad Nathan Kanouff for 2023, include a general log of duties, and revisit for a 2024 ordinance.

ORDINANCE O-2-2023

Ordinance O-2-2023 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-2-2023, AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING SUPPLEMENT TO VILLAGE OF STRASBURG ORDINANCES, SAID SUPPLEMENT PUBLISHED BY AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING CORPORATION AND KNOWN AS THE OHIO BASIC CODE. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-3-2023

Ordinance O-3-2023 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Don Wallick, to approve Ordinance O-3-2023, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING FIRE CONTRACT WITH FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE O-4-2023

Ordinance O-4-2023 was given its first reading by title only. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to suspend the rules of the mandatory three readings. At roll call, all members voted approval. A motion was made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Kathy Burrier, to approve Ordinance O-4-2023, AN (EMERGENCY) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING POLICE CHIEF TO HIRE NEW POLICE OFFICER. At roll call, all members voted approval and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Dustin Briggs noted that Kathy Burrier has contacted other municipalities about their leaf pickup services for their residents. Briggs noted that he will contact Street Superintendent Matt Miller to discuss future options for the village to provide leaf pickup services to the residents.

Legal Counsel Terry Seeberger noted that he spoke to Legal Counsel for the school asking them to find any documentation that they have regarding the bus garage issue.

A motion was made by Kathy Burrier, seconded by Jeff Smith, at 7:20 pm. At roll call, all members voted approval.

MAYOR STEVE SMITH

FISCAL OFFICER JENNIFER MAHONEY

**STRASBURG VILLAGE CORPORATION
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2022**

FUND	CASH BALANCES ON 1-01-22	APPROPRIATION 2022	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	ENDING BALANCE	YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURES
GENERAL					49,043.13			784,384.72
POLICE					40,533.21			466,229.03
FIRE					37,363.05			363,616.02
SERVICE					27,654.78			297,807.99
GENERAL BAL.	416,043.63	2,379,429.91	447,718.36	129,051.40	154,594.17	422,175.59	1,918,169.72	1,912,037.76
POLICE LEVY	19,863.46	75,863.46	9,440.75	0.00	3,622.28	5,818.47	61,623.26	75,668.25
FIRE LEVY	194,808.63	465,388.19	408,899.97	15,331.83	50,772.23	373,459.57	474,710.45	296,059.51
STREET	62,947.98	282,947.98	427.10	16,958.65	17,367.45	18.30	211,283.87	274,213.55
HIGHWAY	11,955.19	28,955.19	11,194.45	1,287.25	323.33	12,158.37	15,775.95	15,572.77
PARK	206,095.19	242,410.19	133,427.58	11,104.15	9,323.11	135,208.62	161,902.88	232,789.45
LAW ENFORCEMENT	251.50	251.50	251.50	0.00	0.00	251.50	0.00	0.00
JEDD	632,368.18	1,632,368.18	1,516,484.69	110,434.48	930.00	1,625,989.17	995,227.49	1,606.50
FIRE DEBT SERVICE	14.31	14.31	14.31	0.00	0.00	14.31	0.00	0.00
CAPITAL IMPR.	825.38	180,825.38	17,410.80	16,581.24	0.00	33,992.04	181,129.00	147,962.34
WATER FUND	93,968.38	524,968.38	116,158.03	42,289.22	37,010.98	121,436.27	435,565.92	408,098.03
SEWER FUND	434,918.84	1,204,918.84	411,675.58	60,064.00	179,507.65	292,231.93	730,818.39	873,505.30
SSI	345,610.27	380,610.27	378,290.10	2,945.73	0.00	381,235.83	35,625.56	0.00
SEWER RESERVE	72,804.13	72,804.13	72,804.13	0.00	0.00	72,804.13	0.00	0.00
WSI	1,044,647.81	1,286,647.81	1,169,313.28	15,039.43	30,986.81	1,153,365.90	221,313.22	112,595.13
WATER PLANT	6,634.29	6,634.29	6,634.29	0.00	0.00	6,634.29	0.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT	143,191.83	143,191.83	143,191.83	0.00	0.00	143,191.83	0.00	0.00
INCOME TAX	62,166.61	1,362,166.61	54,507.04	62,730.79	114,183.25	3,054.58	1,176,339.12	1,235,451.15
PARK IMP TRUST	5,366.30	5,366.30	5,366.30	0.00	0.00	5,366.30	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	3,754,481.91	10,275,762.75	4,903,210.09	483,818.17	598,621.26	4,788,407.00	6,619,484.83	5,585,559.74

JANUARY 2022 CASH BALANCE \$ 3,754,481.91