

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SHERWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 20, 2024

The Council for the Village of Sherwood met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, in the Community Room. Mayor Dave Weaner called the meeting to order. Council Members Jim Hohenberger, Robert Valle, Jamie Vogelsong, Scott Rohrs, Mike Sudholtz, and Alex Buchhop were present; Administrator/Fiscal Officer Sherri Ramey, Billing Clerk Faye Escalera, Levi Kuhn, Luke Kuhn (6:25pm), Taylor Vance (6:22pm), Fire Chief Darrel Rock and Beth Krouse from the Crescent News were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve the Minutes	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Financial Reports

Motion to Accept the Financial Reports	R. Valle
Seconded	J. Vogelsong
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Motion to Pay the Bills	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	R. Valle
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Committee Reports

Utilities-

Different ideas were discussed by the committee for what should happen if for three consecutive months there is a loss in either water or sewer funds. If an ordinance is passed now, it will prevent a delay if a raise in the utility rates is necessary, as well as prevent an unnecessary increase now. S. Ramey asked the council to look over the ideas and if they are in favor, she will proceed with writing the ordinance.

Zoning-

Three zoning permits were turned into the office. A new building permit was requested for 335 E Elm’s permit. 9974 US 127 needs one to replace the sidewalk. And a permit was requested to put in a prefabricated building at 210 N Rock.

ADMINSTRATOR’S REPORT

LAND/BUILDINGS

Library- A quote was received from Carpet Wholesalers to replace the flooring at the back of the library for \$1410.79. They recommended carpet squares for high traffic areas as it is easier maintain and it wears better.

Motion to Accept the Quote from Carpet Wholesalers for the Library	S. Rohrs
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y

The Christmas lights outside the library will be getting replaced with LEDs that will stay up at all times.

Village Hall- A separate quote from Carpet Wholesalers was received to replace the flooring in the office. It is also for carpet squares and was \$4043.03 for both rooms.

Motion to Accept the Quote from Carpet Wholesalers for the Village Hall	R. Valle
Seconded	J. Hohenberger
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

STREETS

The one-way sign was removed from E Lawrence St.

PARKS

Little Reservation

An order was placed for the two pieces that still need to be replaced and also for two new panels. The shipping for these items was projected to be only \$250 less than the initial order that included three large pallets. S. Ramey stated that she asked PlayMart why the shipping cost was so expensive, but she is still waiting for the answer.

Memorial Park

Jeff Hurtig is working on the lights that go around the gazebo.

Moat’s Park

Ball Fields-

The concrete has been poured. A part of the dugout on Field 2 was hit and collapsed. The contractor took care of getting it fixed and is also attending to having it painted.

The Sherwood Ball Association is still planning to have a fundraiser for new aluminum bleachers.

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The fields did get leveled but there is still an issue with standing water on Field 2 that solutions are being considered to resolve.

J. Hurtig found the old backstop pad in the creek caught in a log jam, however it is ruined. It has already been replaced and now they are put up for the winter to keep them from getting cut down again.

A 9U boys' tournament may be in the works with possible dates of April 26th and 27th, which is the last weekend in April. The traffic may flow as one-way roads around that area during a tournament as they wish to charge for admission. Their initial thought was that traffic would flow from as Taylor St being the entrance and Cedar being the exit, but S. Ramey said that would cause traffic to cross and suggested the opposite way.

Park-

The focus should shift to updating this area. There are still lights to install around the parking lot. The park committee will need to set up a meeting for after the first of the year to decide what to do with the old tennis court and volleyball court, investigate grants, and consider whether to get a pickleball court.

WATER & SEWER

There were twenty-three shut off notices in October, five were shut off and all but one were turned back on. One remains shut off from previously.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Food Pantry will be on Wednesday, December 18th from 8am to 10am.

Bryan Excavating is preparing a quote for the village to widen the culvert on Fountain St to be widened.

J. Hurtig was contacted by the farmer who owns the field at East Rt 18 and Coy Rd. He was previously informed that the sink holes in the property were from the culvert that ran to Coy Rd. S. Ramey said that she reached out to Defiance Co. Soil and Water, and they said the issue is not from when the village had the culvert installed. It is the result of the older one falling apart and the clay tiles collapsing (it is not on the maintenance program). The big plastic tile that drains the corner of St Rt 18 and US Rt 127 is on the maintenance program and is operating properly with no issues.

When the old 'Welcome to Sherwood' signs were taken down, two of them fell apart. The other two are in the garage. The individuals that reached out to ask about them will get first choice of those two.

The council Christmas Dinner is scheduled for 6pm on December 11th at 6pm.

Mayor Weaner was contacted by Emily Dalager from Lightsource BP to inform him that Cepheus would not be appealing the Ohio Siting Board's decision about the solar panel project. The contracted landowners were contacted before the mayor was informed.

A motion by the council is required for S. Ramey to transfer \$2,723.60 to the Fire and Rescue Fund for October and November's loan payments. Then, there will be a monthly transfer as detailed in Resolution 24-01-02.

Motion to Transfer the October and November Loan Payments to Fire and Rescue Fund	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Robert Valle	Y
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

The library received a letter from their electricity supplier stating that if they used over 200 kilowatts in one month during the most recent twelve months, interval metering is required. In addition to this, the customer is responsible for the cost of the meter, the analog phone line installation, operation, maintenance, and meter data management associated with such a metering. The library is wondering who is responsible for covering those costs. S. Ramey reached out to Amy Hoffman, who set the village up with the aggregation, and she said that it is standard language for commercial and they are not large enough to be concerned. However, S. Ramey is concerned because of the possibility and the question of who will be responsible.

M. Sudholtz asked S. Ramey how soon the bleachers for Moat’s Park need to be ordered in order to have them for opening day. She said that it sounded like they had them in stock, so it would not take long at all. He then asked if the cost would include shipping. She said she would have to look further into it. He then said that he thinks the village could use the money from the sale of Crystal Fountain Auditorium to purchase the bleachers. He said that he feels it is a lot to put on the Ball Association. He asked the rest of the council what they thought of his suggestion. R. Valle said that the fundraising can still go forward. And D. Weaner said people can still have the opportunity to sponsor a set of bleachers if they would like. M. Sudholtz asked S. Ramey to have the exact amount at the December Council meeting.

Fire/EMS Report

Chief Rock stated that he would like to take another month to determine what will be done with the secondary squad. He then said that regarding the fuel tank changes, he has received \$6,000-\$7,000 quotes for the electrical work.

Chief Rock also wanted to reiterate that the legislation in Ordinance 24-10-03 is only if a department does not show for a run within their jurisdiction. It does not apply to mutual aid. He said that if anyone has any questions, he will be available to answer them.

He said that the concrete work is progressing on the sign and that he is getting the mounting bolts and hopefully the sign will be up soon.

Old Business

RESOLUTION NO. 24-10-01 – ALLOW MAYOR DAVID M WEANER ACCESS TO SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX

Second Reading

Motion to Accept second reading Resolution 24-10-01	M. Sudholtz
Seconded	R. Valle
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

ORDINANCE NO. 24-10-01 – ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025

Second Reading

Motion to Accept the second reading of Ordinance 24-10-01	R. Valle
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y

ORDINANCE NO. 24-10-03 – AUTHORIZE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO CHARGE FEES TO RESPOND TO CALLS FOR SERVICE OUTSIDE VILLAGE COVERAGE AREAS AND NOT WITHIN CONTRACT AREAS

Second Reading

Motion to Accept the second reading of Ordinance 24-10-03	R. Valle
Seconded	A. Buchhop
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Scott Rohrs	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y

J. Hohenberger asked if any progress has been made with the village’s website. S. Ramey said that there has not been, and that a new direction will have to be taken.

J. Hohenberger also asked if Taylor Vance had had any progress building the case against Matt Statz for the missing funds from when he ran the Ball Association. T. Vance stated that he had had extensive conversations with the prosecutor. He was informed that the case that was similar to this one involved an admission and a guilty plea. In order to go forward with this case, they would like to see a forensic audit done.

New Business-

J. Hohenberger said that he thinks the village should transfer some funds from Sherwood Bank to STAR Ohio. He recommended \$250,000. That amount would bring in \$1000 extra a month from interest.

Motion to Transfer \$250k from Sherwood Bank to STAR Ohio	J. Hohenberger
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Jamie Vogelsong	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Motion to Enter Executive Session for Attorney Consultation Asking Luke and Levi Kuhn to Stay	J. Vogelsong
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Motion to Exit Executive Session	J. Vogelsong
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn	J. Vogelsong
Seconded	S. Rohrs
Mike Sudholtz	Y
Jim Hohenberger	Y
Robert Valle	Y
Alex Buchhop	Y

Faye Escalera, Utility Billing Clerk

David M. Weaner, Mayor