

Village of Arlington Heights

Regular Council Meeting
Monday February 27th, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

Regular meeting of the Village of Arlington Heights Council was called to order by Mayor Steven Crase with prayer led by Pastor Sallee and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: McKinney present, Ott present, McFerron present, Davis present, Gil present and Fiscal Director Braun present.

Guest Speakers:

Public Libraries of Hamilton County Speaker Paula Executive Director and Travis Branch Manager for the Reading Branch spoke with Council & residents about improvements within the different libraries and where tax dollars are going.

Todd Owens Reading Fire Department Chief spoke with Council & residents about the Greyhound Bus Station (Baron's). Chief Owens touched on his annual report & confirmed all the new fittings have been put on the hydrants around the Village.

Approval of the Council/Special Meeting Minutes for January 2023

Motion to approve the minutes made by: Davis seconded by Gil.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 5-0

Report of Officers:

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Crase read the Mayor's Court report.

FISCAL DIRECTOR (Megan Braun): Braun nothing to report.

Motion to suspend the rules for Executive Session made by: Davis seconded by McKinney.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 5-0

Motion to go into Executive Session (7:18PM) made by: McFerron seconded by Ott.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes and McKinney yes.

Return to Regular Council Meeting (7:36PM) motion made by: McFerron seconded by Davis.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes and McKinney yes.

Motion to appoint Napoleon Smith to the Vacant Council Seat made by: Gil seconded by McFerron.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis no and McKinney no.

Passed 3-2 (Motion Passes)

***Napoleon Smith is sworn in by Mayor Crase to vacant council seat**

Reports from Council:

SAFETY/CODE ENFORCEMENT:

McKinney read Reading Police Department Report, Fire/EMS Department Report.

STREETS, BUILDINGS & WASTE:

New salt bin was installed at Service garage and a picture was distributed to council.

GRANTS/CONTRACTS:

McFerron inquired about CDBG for sidewalks, Crase said they been marked, and Jennifer is working on it as well as we found out that we did not get the WeThrive Grant.

FINANCE:

Davis read the expenses and balances for the month of January 2023. For January, expenses were \$87,616.79 and receipts were \$94,848.22.

PUBLIC LANDS/HEALTH & WELFARE:

Nothing to report.

ZONING/SPECIAL PROJECTS/HISTORICAL:

March 25th -Spring Movie Night (Puss in Boots: The Last Wish).

Reading of Resolutions/Ordinances:

Resolution #1-2023 A Resolution authorizing the Executive of the agreement with the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners Regarding CDBG Grant funding for the Galbraith Road and Waldman Drive Intersection Improvement Project.

Motion to adopt made by: McKinney seconded by McFerron.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes, Smith yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 6-0

Motion to suspend the rules for Ordinance(s) made by: McFerron seconded by McKinney.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes, Smith yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 6-0

Ordinance #3-2023 An Ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Arlington Heights, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 and declaring an emergency.

Motion to adopt made by: Davis seconded by McFerron.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes, Smith yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 6-0

Ordinance #4-2023 An Ordinance approving, adopting and enacting American Legal Publishing’s Ohio Basic Code, 2023 Edition, as the Code of Ordinances for the Municipality of Arlington Heights, Ohio, and declaring an Emergency.

Motion to adopt made by: Ott seconded by McFerron.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes, Smith yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 6-0

Remarks from Visitors:

Hunter 318 Clark Road (has lived here 13 years)-concerned about the safety in the Village. Reading Police Lieutenant came in to speak to residents about concerns with recent violence in the Village, questions asked & answered.

MaryAnn 435 Elliott Avenue – thanked Reading police for checking on her house for 6 weeks and also stated that the new website is not up to date on meeting minutes. Also voiced her concern with the new Baron bus company. Councilmember McFerron responded and explained that we also were not informed correctly about all the information on the bus service.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by: McFerron seconded by Gil.

Roll Call: McFerron yes, Gil yes, Ott yes, Davis yes, Smith yes and McKinney yes.

Passed 6-0

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Fiscal Director

Mayor