

Village of Wellington
Council Meeting Minutes
Hans Schneider, Mayor
Council: Gene Hartman-Council President, Steve Boham, Mark Bughman, Helen Dronsfield,
Gary Feron, Keith Rowland

Council Chambers

October 21, 2024

7:00 PM

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Schneider called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL

Councilman Steve Boham – Present

Councilman Mark Bughman – Present

Councilwoman Helen Dronsfield – Present

Others Present – Mayor Schneider, Village Manager Greever, Finance Director Pfeiffer, Law Director Bond, Lt. Poling, Clerk of Council O'Brien, Brian Burke, MSW Director Arntz, several government students in attendance (none signed in)

Councilman Gary Feron – Present

Council President Gene Hartman – Present

Councilman Keith Rowland – Present

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Feron, 2nd by Bughman to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2024 Council Meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

4. FINANCIAL REPORTS – Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Rowland to approve the expenses and pay the bills. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

101 General Fund	\$	89,142.80
207 Police CPT Training	\$	623.36
208 Permissive Vehicle Tax	\$	7,029.16
501 Water Fund	\$	21,002.68
502 Sewer Fund	\$	20,958.59
503 Electric Fund	\$	21,870.39
Power Bills	\$	475,422.06
504 Garbage Fund	\$	32,426.46
505 Cable TV Franchise Fund	\$	32.45
506 Storm Sewer Capital	\$	7,680.13
508 Consumer Deposit Fund	\$	40.13
Pay 21	\$	132,702.20
Total	\$	808,930.41

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- Mayor Schneider
- Law Director Bond – Nothing to report.
- Chief McPike – Absent Lt. Poling had nothing to report.
- Finance Director Pfeiffer – Nothing to report.
- Village Manager Greever – Mr. Greever reported that they had received a \$40,000 grant for a GPS field-lining robot for the Rec. Park. Mr. Bughman had questions regarding West St. resident's driveway aprons, and requested a letter be sent to those residents; Mr. Greever will look into it.
- Main Street Wellington – MSW Director Arntz congratulated the Methodist Church, Platinum Petal, Healing Haven, and the Sullivan Cub Scouts for winning the flower pot contest. She reported a new business opening, Wild Sage Beauty on W. Herrick near Bread-N-Brew. She reminded residents about the Christmas craft show in November this year, at the Town Hall.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- Finance – Mr. Hartman reported that the committee met prior to council, where they found the September financials in good order, and RITA collections 13.5% higher than last year. He mentioned that employee health care costs through October are \$9,200 more than last year. Mr. Hartman thanked Bill and Sandy Kovach for their donation to Union School Park. He further mentioned that a Park Committee meeting was held prior to council, and reported that they were making progress.
- Police – Mr. Rowland reported that the committee met prior to council and reviewed the September stats, and overtime and part time reports. He mentioned the updates on the electronic sign, and a discussion concerning training and weapons qualifications.
- Public Works – Ms. Dronsfield reported that the committee will meet on November 4, prior to council.
- Utility – Mr. Bughman reported that the committee met prior to council where they heard the wastewater department was helping the Fair Board with sewer help during their expansion project, and discussed the underpass #5 pump rebuild.
- Ordinance – Mr. Feron reported that the committee will meet on November 5, prior to council.

- Personnel – Mr. Boham reported that the committee will meet on November 5, if there is business to discuss.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS & QUESTIONS - None
(5 Minutes Per Person For Questions & Comments)

8. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-33

AN ORDINANCE REVISING AND RESTATING SECTION 1519.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO FIREWORKS POSSESSION, SALE OR DISCHARGE REGULATIONS AND EXCEPTIONS 3rd Reading
Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Bughman to approve the third reading. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-34

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE 2nd Reading
(Requesting Suspension of the Rules)

**This ordinance got lost in the shuffle of the plethora of ordinances/resolutions from 10/07. The budget resolution, which I misnumbered as 2024-34, has been changed to 2024-38. - Christa

Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Feron to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”. Motion by Rowland, 2nd by Feron to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-39

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL RECEIPTS AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES 1st Reading
(Requesting Suspension of the Rules)

Motion by Hartman, 2nd by Feron to suspend the rules. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”. Motion by Rowland, 2nd by Hartman to approve as read. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting “yes”.

9. OLD BUSINESS - None

10. NEW BUSINESS

Fall Soccer Classic – Mr. Bughman thanked the Police Dept. for taking care of some on street parking issues during the Fall Classic at the Rec. Park on Saturday. Mayor Schneider suggested that temporary no parking signs be installed on the streets surrounding the Rec. Park in the future. Mr. Hartman added that the WSA did a fantastic job with the Fall Classic, and it was a very enjoyable event!

Teach – Ms. Dronsfield reviewed the intricacies of the council meeting with the high school government students in attendance. She asked the students to consider running for council seats in the future, and invited them to attend future meetings.

Historical Society Dinner – Mr. Bughman reported that the Southern Lorain County Historical Society held its annual dinner, where they presented a plaque in memory of Guy Wells. Mr. Feron added that the plaque will be placed in the mezzanine which has been dedicated to Mr. Wells.

11. ADJOURN – Motion by Dronsfield, 2nd by Feron to adjourn at 7:18 PM.