

**VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Village Office Building**  
**1052 MAIN ST.**  
**November 18, 2024**

Mayor Linda M. Clark called the meeting to order at 07:00PM. The pledge to the flag along with prayer, and roll call followed. Council members present: Susan Hyatt, Johna Wathen, Lauren Price and Tayler Oberman. Jim Weaver and Cynthia Wion had excused absences. Four visitors attended the meeting.

**Agenda:** Hyatt moved to approve the agenda, as submitted by the Mayor. Wathen seconded. All present voted yea.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting have been made and redistributed to council. Hold off on vote until everyone has a chance to review changes.

**Financial Report:** Possible issue with the beach accounts was found. Council to vote on financial package once FO has had a chance to review the issue.

**Guest Speakers:**

- Brice from Access Engineering provided an update on the sewer project.
  - Approximately 100 residents have been talked to concerning placement of their tanks.
  - Six tanks have been put in the ground, just not connected.
  - New Madison still having issues with 2 valves needing installed. Originally these valves were purchased from overseas but because their contract us a BABA (buy American, build American) they have to use valves made in America. Manufacturer in America is way behind in their manufacturing of these valves. New Madison is trying to get a wavier to use the non-American valves.
  - Next sewer meeting is December 11.
  - Solicitor has advised that a special board does not need to be formed for the ongoing management of the sewer system. Idea is to keep the current committee in place.

**Appreciations:**

**Mayor/Village Updates:**

- Electric Aggregate starts in December. Mayor noted that there are lower rates available, residents advised to check out the other rates.
- RAPCA – Letter going out to all residents about open burning.
- County zoning director Curtis Young retired. Susan Lang is acting zoning director.

**Open Forum:**

- Diana Pethtel, Fiscal Officer, thanked the council for their support and submitted her resignation effective November 30, 2024.

**Old Business:**

- Zoning Infraction provided by Mayor.

**New Business:**

**Request for Council Approval:**

- Beach Budget/Concession Inventory: An update list was provided with the final numbers. Hyatt motioned to accept the concession inventory for 2024, Price seconded. All present voted yea.
- 2025 budget – Equipment Replacement Fund – to establish a fund for future purchases of equipment, computers and major repairs to current equipment.

- 2025 budget – Restroom to be added to village garage. It was suggested to consider adding a stand up shower for use if needed for chemical exposure
- Tree quotes – Quote received for removing pine tree at memorial park and on Railroad Dr. Hyatt requested to get a second quote.
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**Council Business:**

**Resolutions/Ordinances:**

- Ordinance 2023-12-11-001 – Personnel Procedure and Policy Manual - ADOPTED
  - Motion by Oberman/ seconded by Wathen/ All present voted yea.

**Council Committee Updates:**

- **Finance** (includes Grants) –Price (chair), Fiscal Officer, Mayor
- **Lakes Management/Fishing Passes** – Oberman (co-chair), Weaver (co-chair), Mark Elliott, Jim Weaver, John Wion, Troy Stewart, Bill Wathen, Ted Sink, George Mittermann
  - Two trees from Hurricane Helena have been removed. Need to add 2 more trees, one in Tecumseh Lake/Prairie Creek.
  - There will not be a lakes’ meeting in December.
  - A List of trees earmarked to be removed will be supplied.
- **Public Relations** (website, social media, newsletter, & advertising) – Hyatt (co-chair), Wion (co-chair), Karen Sink, George Mittermann and Darla Elliott
- **Village Maintenance** (Roads, equipment, buildings, grounds/parks) – Wathen (co-chair), Jim Weaver (co-chair), Bill Wathen, John Wion
- **Recreation** (Beach, Community Building) – Hyatt (co-chair), Wathen (co-chair), Bernadette Coriell, Joyce Rowland, Sharon Spitler, Jennifer Cromwell, Mayor
- **Sewer** – Price (chair), Denise Wetzler, Mike Bland, Fiscal Officer, Mayor, John Swindler
- **Policy, Performance & Compliance** – Wion (co-chair), Fiscal Officer, Mayor
- **Tree** – Price (co-chair), Weaver (co-chair), Ian Widener, Patsy Livingston

**Community Committee Updates:**

- Wayne Lakes Family Activities
- Welcome Packets/Wayne Lakes History – Cindy Hale & Peg Kerg

Motion made by Wathen to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Hyatt. All present voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 08:15PM.

Respectfully submitted by  
 Johna Wathen  
 Fiscal Officer  
 (Dec 4,2024)