

Village of Middlefield Finance
November 14, 2024
6:00 PM

The Finance & Ordinance meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the following members present: Ms. Kaitlyn Arganti, Mr. Scott Klein, and Mr. Bill Blue.

Also present: Mayor Garlich, Ms. Leslie McCoy- Administrative Assistant, and Chief Tucholski. Mr. Nick Giardina- Fiscal Officer is excused.

Agenda: No deletions. Ms. McCoy stated Ordinance 24-162 will have an emergency clause added.

Approval of Minutes: October 10, 2024 meeting minutes were presented for approval. ***Mr. Blue made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, motion seconded by Ms. Arganti. All in favor: Yeas (3).***

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Village Finances – Discussion:** Mr. Giardina included a report. The report states that for income tax last month was comparatively better than last year. Mr. Giardina had stated in the prior month finance meeting that he thought corporate business deposits were being held back until the absolute due date and stated in his report that this appears to be true. Business net profits were over \$150,000 which created a larger month than October 2023 by \$102,000. Mr. Giardina's report stated this month was much better than 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRST READING

- 1. RESOLUTION 24-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE INSURANCE AND BAY BRIDGE ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE PROVISION OF GAP INSURANCE FOR VILLAGE EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Resolution 24-19 by title only. Ms. McCoy stated this would be the same policy and same coverage but with this the Village would actually save money. Ms. McCoy stated there is an employee meeting tomorrow to cover this new information with employees. **Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Resolution 24-19 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).**
- 2. ORDINANCE 24-158 AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE THE RATE OF PAY FOR COUNCIL PRO TEMPORE BEGINNING IN 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-158 by title only. **Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-158 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).**
- 3. ORDINANCE 24-159 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXISTING SECTION 911.08 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE THE 2024 RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL WATER ACCOUNT RATES, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-159 by title only. Ms. McCoy stated the Village is mandated to have this done so the Village partnered with RCAP. There will be a presentation at the Council

meeting tonight. Mr. Blue made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-159 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).

4. **ORDINANCE 24-160 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXISTING SECTION 907.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SEWER ACCOUNTS, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-160 by title only. Mr. Klein made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-160 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).
5. **ORDINANCE 24-161 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXISTING SECTION 911.10 (a) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM ACCOUNTS, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-161 by title only. Mr. Klein made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-161 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).
6. **ORDINANCE 24-162 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THAT THE REVENUE TO BE COLLECTED UNDER THE 2.0 MILL TAX LEVY FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT SERVICES IF APPROVED AS A RENEWAL LEVY ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024 WILL BE GREATER THAT THE AMOUNT ACTUALLY NEEDED, REQUESTING THE GEAUGA COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION TO DECREASE THE LEVY BY APPROXIMATELY 28.5% TO 1.43 MILLS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-162 by title only. Mr. Klein made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-162 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).
7. **ORDINANCE 24-163 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE MIDDLEFIELD VILLAGE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-163 by title only. Ms. McCoy stated the Village was the only bidder. Mr. Blue made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-163 to Council, motion seconded by Ms. Arganti. All in favor: Yeas (3).
8. **ORDINANCE 24-164 AN ORDINANCE REZONING GEAUGA COUNTY PERMANENT PARCEL NO. 19-702900 ON PIERCE STREET FROM "R-2", TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL" TO "GC, GENERAL COMMERCIAL"** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-164 by title only. Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-164 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).

ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Arganti made a motion to adjourn at 6:24 pm, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).