

**Village of Middlefield Finance & Treasury
Committee
January 11, 2024
6:00 PM**

The Finance & Ordinance meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm with the following members present: Ms. Kaitlyn Arganti, Mr. Bill Blue, and Mr. Scott Klein.

Also present: Leslie McCoy- Village Administrator, Mr. Nick Giardina- Fiscal Officer, and Chief Tucholski. Mayor Ben Garlich is excused.

Agenda: No additions/deletions.

Approval of Minutes: January 11, 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 stated for the month of January water, sewer, and income tax are up 4.9% compared to the prior year. Mr. Giardina stated expenses are down compared to the prior year. Mr. Giardina stated loan payments came out this month as well. Mr. Giardina stated the infrastructure fund is in good standing. Mr. Giardina stated it has not been a bad first month of the year because the main three categories are up.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **RESOLUTION 24-03 A RESOLUTION RENEWING THE VILLAGE’S PREVIOUS REQUEST THAT THE GEAUGA COUNTY AUDITOR CERTIFY THE TOTAL TAX VALUATION OF THE VILLAGE AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY A RENEWAL OF THE EXISTING TAX LEVY FOR POLICE SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Resolution 24-03 by title only. Ms. McCoy stated this shows the value of the renewal and will be on the ballot in November.
Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Resolution 24-03 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).
2. **ORDINANCE 24-104 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS ACTIVITIES RELATED TO HIS DAUGHTER’S BACK ALLEY EVENT, WAIVING THE PROHIBITION OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING SAME, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-104 by title only. Ms. McCoy stated this would be taken to the street on Sperry where the roadway would be closed for a couple of hours. Ms. Arganti stated it was very successful last year. **Mr. Blue made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-104 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).**
3. **ORDINANCE 24-105 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VILLAGE ORDINANCE 23-137 HIRING DYLAN CONANT, ORDINANCE 23-156 HIRING CHRISTOPHER PLANTZ, AND ORDINANCE 23- 157 HIRING ROBERT HAMILTON, AS FULL TIME POLICE OFFICERS, NUNC PRO TUNC, TO PROVIDE AGREED UPON VACATION BENEFITS DURING THEIR INITIAL YEAR OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced

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Ordinance 24-105 by title only. Mr. Klein made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-105 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).

4. **ORDINANCE 24-106 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE 2024 WAGE RATES FOR POLICE OFFICERS OF THE VILLAGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-106 by title only. Mr. Klein made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-106 to Council, motion seconded by Ms. Arganti. All in favor: Yeas (3).
5. **ORDINANCE 24-107 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES AND WAGE RATES FOR THE NON-POLICE EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-107 by title only. Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Ordinance 23-107 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).
6. **ORDINANCE 24-108 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES AND WAGE RATES FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-108 by title only. Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-108 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).
7. **ORDINANCE 24-109 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) 2024 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-109 by title only. Mr. Blue made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-109 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).
8. **ORDINANCE 24-110 AN ORDINANCE SETTING COMPENSATION AND VACATION TIME FOR AARON GRALEY, LIEUTENANT IN THE MIDDLEFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT RETROACTIVELY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-110 by title only. Ms. Arganti made a motion to introduce Ordinance 24-110 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Blue. All in favor: Yeas (3).
9. **ORDINANCE 24-111 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF RONYAK PAVING COMPANY FOR THE 2024 RESURFACING PROJECT-ALMEDA DR., STANDISH AVE., AND ORCHARD AVE. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$415,344.00 AS THE LOWEST AND MOST RESPONSIVE BID, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-111 by title only. Mr. Klein made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-111 to Council, motion seconded by Ms. Arganti. All in favor: Yeas (3).
10. **ORDINANCE 24-112 AN ORDINANCE SELECTING THE BID OF COLD HARBOR BUILDING COMPANY FOR THE WELL NO. 3 PROJECT- PHASE III RE-BID, IN**

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AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,073,700.00 TO BE THE LOWEST, MOST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BID FOR SAID PROJECT, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SAID BIDDER FOR THAT PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Ms. Arganti introduced Ordinance 24-112 by title only. Ms. McCoy stated this is the rebid for Well #3. **Ms. Arganti made a motion to recommend Ordinance 24-112 to Council, motion seconded by Mr. Klein. All in favor: Yeas (3).**

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Klein made a motion to adjourn at 6:25 pm, motion seconded by Mr. Morrow. All in favor: Yeas (3).

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