

VILLAGE OF CARROLLTON

COUNCIL MINUTES

JANUARY 8, 2024

7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Village council met in regular session on the above date and time in the council chambers of the Municipal Building with Mayor William Stoneman presiding over the meeting.

MEDIA: Georgette Huff (Free Press), Thomas Clapper (CC Messenger)

VISITORS: Police Chief Tim Timberlake, Police Officer Teddy Boitnott, Water Dept. Employee; Justin Lucas, Street Superintendent Ben Palmer, Sewer Superintendent Wayne Ruckman, Andy Gonda, Fire Chief Shane Thomas, Mr. Hicks, Angela Kaltenbaugh, and one other lady.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Stoneman called the meeting to order at 7:00 o'clock P.M. and those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRAYER: Prayer was given by Rev. Dyck.

ROLL CALL: Everyone was present this evening.

MINUTES: White made a motion to approve the minutes from the Dec. 19, 2023, meeting and Yeager seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Barto, abstain, White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, abstain; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes. Vote being 4-0-2, motion carried. Barto made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2024, special emergency meeting and Yeager seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS: Justin Lucas from the Water Department and Ben Palmer from the Street Department and Wayne Ruckman from the Sewer Department all gave their monthly reports.

VA REPORT:

1. Attended the Tuscarawas County Safety Meeting to ensure reduced rates.
2. Attended the Carroll County Family and Childrens First Council Meeting.
3. I will be attending an Ohio Municipal League Webinar on Municipal Government Social Medial Platform strategies. I will email the council the registration information if you wish to attend.

4. As a follow-up on the Terry A. Moore property, the Village is in the 30-day waiting period after public notice and I have been in touch with funding resources for the razing of the property.

MAYORS REPORT:

1. Reorganization of Committees and President Pro-Temp. Barto made a motion to elect Yeager as the President Pro Temp and for lack of a second it never went any further. White made a motion to reelect Lambert as the President Pro Temp and Locke seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, no; White, yes; Lambert, abstain; Locke, yes. Vote being 4-1-1 motion carried. Barto said he didn't want to run the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting anymore so Barto made a motion to elect Yeager to that position and Lambert seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.
2. O#2024-02 An Ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Carrollton, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 2024, and declaring it an emergency. Locke asked a question before voting Do you know what the expected revenue might be? Clerk Treasurer Tipton told him around \$5,000,000 but it usually is more than that. White made a motion to read O#2024-02 as an emergency and Yeager seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried. Mayor Stoneman read O#2024-02 as an emergency. Yeager made a motion to approve O#2024-02 and White seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Lambert, yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes; White, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.
3. O#2024-03 An Ordinance authorizing the Village of Carrollton, Ohio to sell personal property not needed for public use, obsolete or unfit for use by internet action pursuant to ORC Section 721.15 (D). Mayor Stoneman gave O#2024-03 the first reading by title only.
4. Mayor Stoneman read a resignation/retirement letter from Margaret Mesler from the Fire Department. Locke made a motion to approve the resignation and Yeager seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried. Fire Chief explained to council that a few years ago they got the iPads for reporting and they have the means to do that right from the iPads and send them on to the state and they haven't been doing that quite that way, but he would like to hire Jack Swinehart on a part time basis who is a captain on the Fire Department now to handle all those duties and pay him \$400 a month. Swinehart will get the reports first and proofread them and then forward them on to the state. Tangler asked if someone else would be trained as his backup which Thomas replied not at this time. Barto made a motion to hire Swinehart for this position that Mesler held, and Locke seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.

5. Work Session was agreed upon to be held on Tuesday, January 30th, 2024, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. and the things needing to be put on the agenda the Clerk-Treasurer will need by January 22nd and then the agenda will have to be posted on the door ahead of time to let the public know what is going to be discussed that evening.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Locke made a motion to pay the bills and Yeager seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.

PAID BILLS WITHOUT PRIOR CERTIFICATION: Yeager made a motion to approve the bills without prior certification and Barto seconded the motion. Roll call vote: White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.

PUBLIC: A concerned citizen had a question about estimated income taxes and how our website states taxes are due on April 15 and the Village Solicitor tried to explain to her. If you are self-employed and don't have village taxes taken out, you will get an estimated tax bill. Question also was asked Can we Get rid of Rita why do we need them? The answer to that was we used to have a full-time employee, but we went to RITA, and they handle collecting our Village Income Taxes for us.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Tangler made a motion to enter executive session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. to discuss Disciplinary Action of a Village Employee and Locke seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes; Locke, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.

BACK IN SESSION: Barto made a motion at 7:58 o'clock P.M. to reconvene from executive session and Lambert seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes; White, yes; Lambert, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried. Mayor Stoneman said no action will be taken.

PRESS: Nothing

ADJOURNMENT: No further business. Barto made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 o'clock P.M. and White seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Lambert, yes; Locke, yes; Tangler, yes; Yeager, yes; Barto, yes; White, yes. Vote being 6-0, motion carried.

/s/ Darla Tipton

Darla Tipton, Clerk Treasurer

/s/ William J. Stoneman

William J. Stoneman, Mayor

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