

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
November 18, 2024**

Mayor Sharon Lally called the meeting to order. The November Council Meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building. Those present were Hunter Boschert, Donald Kessel, Robert Ernst, Tracy Naticchioni, Jeanne Perkins and Christine Resnik.

Reading of the Bills and Bank Reconciliation

Mayor Lally asked for the reading of the bills and bank reconciliation. Mr. Kessel stated that the bills had been paid and bank statement had been reconciled for the month of October 2024. Ms. Resnik made a motion to approve the bills and bank reconciliation, and seconded by Ms. Perkins. All members present voted Aye.

Reading of the Minutes

Mayor Lally asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2024 Regular Council meeting. Ms. Resnik made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Boschert. All members present voted Aye. The October minutes were approved.

Communications

Principal Pfeffenberger of the Mariemont Junior High School sent a thank you note to our Police Department for their assistance with dismissal during a power outage.

Chief Bronson sent a letter of appreciation to the Mariemont Police Department for their assistance at the Walmart re-opening dedication. Officer Steve Watt accompanied Col. Bronson and Lt. Naticchioni in the flag raising ceremony by playing bagpipes.

Committee Reports

From the Parks Committee; a rendering of the stage will be available in December. All dog bag stations have been installed. Tot Lot illustrations were provided along with other ideas being considered with a plan for rollout in Spring of 2025.

The Website Committee has made the first round of updates and intends to present two templates next month. They are also looking into adding a "storefront" with a credit card payment feature.

Mayor's Monthly Report

\$2,249.00 was received in Mayors Court fines, forfeitures and fees for the month of October, 2024. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to approve the Mayor's Monthly Report. Ms. Naticchioni made a motion to accept the Mayor's Monthly Report, seconded by Mr. Kessel. All present voted Aye. The Mayor's monthly report has been approved.

Administrator's Report

Watterson Road: All paving work has been completed and striping was going in on Monday, 11/18. Tim King did a walk-through of the project and has listed the following items that need to be addressed before final payment of the project:

Adjust water valves

Clean one manhole lid

Adjust 2 manhole lids

Mill/pave the area on Murray Road near the Sports Club Driveway

Municipal Building Renovations: The county building inspector approved the interior remodeling work last week. The final inspection for the council chamber doors and side door at police department occurred today (11/18) and passed. Jason from the English Contractor emailed today that they will schedule a final walk-through with the Village to address any items that need correction before final payment is made. The rep for the carpet company came last Thursday (11/14) and confirmed all of the carpet work that is to be replaced, as well as, took measurements and left samples for the replacement of carpet in the Mayors, Fiscal and Administrator's office. He also took measurements in the rec center to have the information on hand, but knows that we need to have discussion and coordination on what type of flooring would be best as well as when this work could be scheduled since we do have several things scheduled in the hall going in to early next year.

Card readers have been ordered for the new door in the municipal building foyer as well as the interior police department door in the main foyer. The fiscal office is processing the PO for the quote for the intercom/security system that would allow the admin offices to buzz a visitor in to the offices.

Townhome Development: Ordinance 9-2024 under New Business is the approval of the CRA tax abatement with Maronda Homes and Birkdale LLC (Mr. Gerwin's company) for the townhome development. The CRA would be for 75% of real estate taxes for 15 years. Mr. Abes put together the agreement based upon the application submitted by Maronda and Birkdale as well as sections that need to be included per the Ohio Revised Code.

Police Chief Report

Lieutenant Naticchioni presented for Chief Bronson. There were no election day issues and the day went very well. The DEA drug take back collected 47 pounds of unused medication which was destroyed. The department participated in the Grand Re-Opening at Wal-Mart. Stop bar and sign have been installed on Murray Road at Virginia Avenue. Police Toy Drive will be on Sunday, December 8th from 10am – 2pm at Wal-Mart with donations going to area schools and Jack's Closet; food will also be collected to benefit MEAC.

Fire Chief Report

Chief Siefke stated there were 77 runs in October with 36 in the Village of Fairfax; nothing significant as far as losses. Breakfast with Santa will be on December 14 at

9:00am. Applications being accepted for part time fire fighters. AED batteries are on order.

New Business:

Resolution R13-2024

Authorizing the Drawing of Warrants in Payment of Amounts Due Upon Contracts or Orders for Three Thousand Dollars or More Pursuant to a "Then And Now" Certificate, in Conformance with Revised Code Section 5705.41(D)(1). Mayor Lally asked for a motion to adopt the Resolution. Mr. Kessel made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Ernst. All present voted Aye.

Ordinance 09-2024

Ordinance No. 09-2024 Authorizing the Village Administrator to Execute a Community Reinvestment Area Agreement with Birkdale, LLC and Maronda Homes of Cincinnati, LLC for a Real Property Tax Exemption Pursuant to the Community Reinvestment Area Previously Established by The Village and Declaring an Emergency. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Mr. Kessel made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Mr. Boschert. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Kessel made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Resnik. All present voted Aye.

Ordinance 16-2024

Ordinance No. 16-2024 To Provide for the Current Expenditures and Other Expenses of the Village of Fairfax, Ohio During the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2024 with a Transfer of Funds from General Fund, Unappropriated to General Fund, Salaries – Clerk/Treasurer's Staff and Declaring an Emergency. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to suspend the three readings. Ms. Naticchioni made a motion to suspend the three readings, seconded by Ms. Perkins. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Naticchioni made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Perkins. All present voted Aye.

Old Business:

Ordinance 13-2024

Ordinance No. 13-2024 Amending Ordinance 40-2006, as Amended, Providing Employee Holidays. Mayor Lally asked for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Kessel made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Naticchioni. All present voted Aye.

Ordinance 15-2024

Ordinance No. 15-2024 Amending Ordinance No. 6-2017, as amended, providing for a Labor and Custodian Force for the Village of Fairfax, Ohio and adding the full-time

position of Permanent Maintenance Person 2 to such Labor and Custodian Force.
Second Reading

Council Discussion:

Ms. Perkins asked about the broken telephone pole on Wooster near 5/3 Bank. Ms. Kaminer will follow-up on the status.

Five minutes for audience questions/comments:

Gloria Daley, residing at 3810 Southern Avenue, thanked Council for addressing the light that was out at the intersection by the school.

ADJOURN:

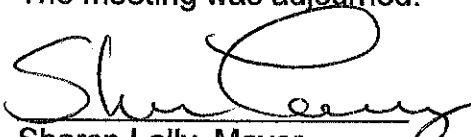
Mayor Lally requested a motion to adjourn.

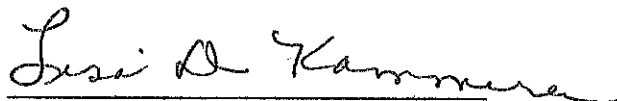
Motion to Adjourn: Ms. Naticchioni

Motion was seconded: Ms. Perkins

All present voted Aye.

The meeting was adjourned.


Sharon Lally, Mayor


Lisa Kammerer, Fiscal Officer