

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2024
5:15 p.m.

Mayor Williams called the Meeting of the Mt. Zion Village Board of Trustees to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Village Hall Board Room. The following Board Members were present for roll call: Randy Doty, Chris Siudyla, Nate Patrick, Donna Scales, Wendy Kernan, and Phil Tibbs. Also present were Village Administrator, Julie Miller, Chief of Police, Adam Skundberg, Director of Public Works, Chad Reynolds, Parks and Recreation Director, Tiffany Wilson, Event Coordinator, Tiffany Streibich, Village Treasurer, Corey McKenzie, and Village Clerk, Dawn Reynolds.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Forum: Two (2) people were present. No one wished to address the Board at this time.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Trustee Scales to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Trustee Kernan. A breakdown of Fund Warrants for the period ending October 21, 2024 is as follows: General Fund - \$162,854.60, Liability Insurance - \$88,037.56, Motor Fuel Tax - \$70.67, BDD - \$1,041.00, Rt. 121 TIF District II - \$42,646.95, 2024 G.O. Capital Project - \$4,635.32, Water Revenue Fund - \$231,106.83, and Sewer Revenue Fund - \$44,507.16. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Scales-yea, Kernan-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 6-yea, 0-nay, 0-absent.

Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2024-24 An Ordinance Adding Territory to the Enterprise Zone and Approving the Amendment of the Enacting Ordinance and Intergovernmental Agreement – Long Creek Leasing: Administrator Miller presented for consideration an ordinance adding territory to the Enterprise Zone for Long Creek Leasing with property located at 2440 S. Long Creek Road. The Decatur Macon County Enterprise Zone Board has approved the request for the boundary amendment to include the additional parcel into the Decatur Macon County Enterprise Zone.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve Ordinance No. 2024-24 Adding Territory to the Enterprise Zone and Approving the Amendment of the Enacting Ordinance and Intergovernmental Agreement for Long Creek Leasing as presented, seconded by Trustee Patrick. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Scales-yea, Kernan-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 6-yea, 0-nay, 0-absent.

Consideration and Action on the 2025 Holiday and Meeting Schedule: Presented for consideration was the annual Holiday and Meeting Schedule for 2025. The Village is required to post the annual schedule for public information.

A motion was made by Trustee Patrick to approve the 2025 Holiday and Village Meeting Schedule as presented, seconded by Trustee Siudyla. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Scales-yea, Kernan-yea, and Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 6-yea, 0-nay, 0-absent.

Consideration and action on Ordinance No. 2024-25 An Ordinance Approving Extension of Waste Management Agreement: Administrator Miller presented for consideration an ordinance approving a 2-year extension for garbage, recycling and yard waste services with Waste Management. The Village's current agreement expires December 31, 2024. The new agreement includes changes in rates, bulk item pick up and the discontinuance of Sparkle and Shine clean-up day.

A discussion was held regarding the rate increases and other items that were removed from the agreement. There was a consensus from the Board that the Village put out an RFP once this extension expires.

A motion was made by Trustee Siudyla to approve Ordinance No. 2024-25 An Ordinance Approving Extension of Waste Management Agreement as presented, seconded by Trustee Tibbs. A roll call vote was taken: Doty-yea, Siudyla-yea, Patrick-yea, Scales-yea, Kernan-yea, Tibbs-yea. Motion carried 6-yea, 0-nay, 0-absent.

Presentation of the 2024 Preliminary Proposed Tax Levy – Discussion Only: Administrator Miller presented the proposed 2024 Tax Levy, Tax Rate, and EAV Comparison. The Village will be levying more than 5% over the previous year, so a public hearing is required. This year is the quadrennial assessment for all property within the Village. The assessor has raised assessments approximately 7.5% for almost all properties due to rising home values over the past four years. If the projected EAV is close, the Village's tax rate should drop by approximately \$0.03. The levy ordinance must be filed with the County by December 23rd.

Presentation of the Proposed 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan – Discussion Only: Treasurer McKenzie presented a power point that outlined upcoming projects and recommendations from staff for the Village's infrastructure maintenance.

Trustee Kernan exited the Board meeting at 5:52 p.m.

Discussion was held regarding the Goodwin Park upgrade.

Administrator & Staff Items:

Director Reynolds reported the Woodland Drive tennis courts have been removed, the Britton Lane water service is complete, and Public Works will be pouring concrete pads at Fletcher Park.

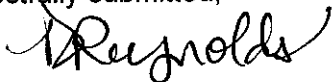
Coordinator Streibich invited the Board to the Holliday Craft Show on November 8th and 9th.

Executive Session – Section 2(c)(1) – Compensation of Specific Employees: A motion was made by Trustee Patrick to enter Executive Session at 6:07 p.m., seconded by Trustee Scales. A voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Scales to exit Executive Session at 6:22 p.m., seconded by Trustee Patrick. A voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee Patrick to adjourn the October 21, 2024 Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Doty. A voice vote was unanimous; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dawn Reynolds
Village Clerk