

## **Village of Shawnee Hills Council Meeting Minutes**

**November 11, 2024**

Mayor Mathews called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council in Attendance: Mary Gates, Kathy Isern, Justin LaRosa, Renee Matney, Robert Thatcher and Todd Zimmerman

Also Present: Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski, Administrator Russell Baron and Solicitor Brian Zets

### **Minutes**

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the minutes of October 28, 2024. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern, Larosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

### **Agenda**

It was moved by Thatcher, seconded by Matney to approve the agenda with the following amendment: add Resolution 34-2024. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 6; Gates, Isern, Larosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

### **Solicitor**

Brian said he answered a few questions from Mark and Russ.

### **Village Administrator**

Russ said Romanelli and Hughes has submitted a PUD application. It is missing some content so we responded to them and asked to get that information to us prior to the P & Z meeting. Discussed the 2025 budget with Shirley and there are pay raises legislation on the agenda tonight.

Holiday Tree Lighting is December 1, 2024 from 5 p.m.-8 p.m. The Arts Committee will have kids paint one of our plows. Caroling and the tree lighting will start at 6:30 p.m. Shawnee Station will be releasing their Christmas ale that night.

### **Police Chief Report**

Chief Baron said there is a mutual aid agreement for the County on the agenda tonight. There have been many changes in personnel the past couple of years so they wanted to get updated signatures on the agreement.

### **Visitors**

Carol Kender said fantastic job on The Veteran's Day Celebration. Congratulations to Rob and his committee.

## **Communications**

Mayor Mathews said thanks to Mark, Richard and Andy for setting up for the Veteran's Memorial. Also, thanks to Blooms for all the flowers.  
Two of our long-time residents, Warren Miller and Bud Sharron have passed away recently.

## **Pro Tem Report**

Pro Tem Thatcher said thanks to Russ, Richard and Andy for all their help with the Veteran's Memorial. They did a great job.

Note that Council member Zimmerman left the meeting.

## **Legislative Actions**

Third Reading – Resolution 23-2024 – A Resolution approving and consenting to the Ohio Department of Transportation to apply, maintain, and repair standard longitudinal pavement markings and erect regulatory and warning signs on State Highways located inside the village. It was moved by Larosa, seconded by Isern to adopt Resolution 23-2024. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney and Thatcher. Nay, none.

Second Reading – Ordinance 22-2024 – An Ordinance to appropriate funds for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Shawnee Hills, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025.

First Reading – Ordinance 23-2024 – An Ordinance amending Section 921.03(A) (Potable Water User Charge) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Shawnee Hills.

First Reading – Resolution 24-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Police Chief and Administrator Russell Baron.

First Reading – Resolution 25-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Police Lieutenant Erin Cullen.

First Reading – Resolution 26-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski.

First Reading – Resolution 27-2024- A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Code Enforcement Officer Mark Katzenbach.

First Reading – Resolution 28-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Streets and Utilities Supervisor Richard Ey.

First Reading – Resolution 29-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Maintenance Laborer Andy Bruning.

First Reading – Resolution 30-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Public Information Officer Holly Wise.

First Reading – Resolution 31-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Part-Time Police Officer William Bartram.

First Reading – Resolution 32-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Part-Time Police Officer Andrew West.

First Reading – Resolution 33-2024 – A Resolution to increase the rate of pay for Village of Shawnee Hills Part-Time Police Officer Anthony Larosa.

First Reading – Resolution 34-2024 – A Resolution authorizing and directing the Village Administrator (and Police Chief) to execute a Mutual Aid Agreement with the Cities of Delaware, Dublin, Powell, Sunbury, and Westerville; the Police Departments for the Villages of Ashley, Ostrander, and Shawnee Hills; Preservation Parks of Delaware County, Division of Park Police; the Board of Trustees of Otterbein University on behalf of the Otterbein Police Department; the OHIO Department of Natural Resources, office of Law Enforcement; the Board of Trustees of Genoa Township, Delaware County, Ohio (“Board”) on behalf of the Genoa Township Police Department (hereinafter collectively the “Member Departments” and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Larosa to suspend with the second and third readings and declare Resolution 34-2024 an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney and Thatcher. Nay none.

It was moved by Matney, seconded by Thatcher to adopt Resolution 34-2024 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney and Thatcher. Nay none.

**Bills**

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Isern to pay the bills in the amount of \$161,389.04. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney and Thatcher. Nay none.

**Treasurer’s Report**

It was moved by Thatcher, seconded by Matney to approve the following treasurer’s report:

General Fund	605,961.67	Enfct. and Education	1,795.98
Street Fund	16,805.05	Fire Fund	111,713.59
State Highway	45,998.99	TIF Fund	94,367.76
PD Body Armor	3,543.19	TIF 2 Fund	44,649.74
Cont. Pro. Training	10,994.98	Police District Fund	101,447.75
Evans Farm JEDD	9,667.45	Veteran’s Memorial	298.97
Drug Law Enfct.	534.41	Sewer Operating	36,918.08
Indigent Drivers	385.84	Sewer Replacement	7,506.08
Law Enfct. Trust	3,852.20	Storm Sewer Fund	25,222.54
Am Rescue Plan	55,468.14	Debt Service Fund	88,377.38
Weed Fund	648.38	Enterprise Improvement	23,419.00

For a total of \$1,289,577.17.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney and Thatcher.  
Nay none.

**Miscellaneous**

Russ said there were some names missing from the pay raise legislation and that is because we adopted step pay raises for the police department last year.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, it was moved by Matney, seconded by Thatcher to adjourn.  
Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney and Thatcher.  
Nay none. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.