

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

**August 26, 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 and Administrator Russell Baron

## **Minutes**

It was moved by Gates, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the minutes of August 12, 2024. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea. 6 Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

## **Agenda**

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by LaRosa to approve the agenda. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea. 6 Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

## **Village Administrator**

Russ said the street paving project is out for bid.

We have received complaints from both Rumpke and Dublin City schools in regards to trees encroaching onto the roads and branches too low overhead. I took this to Finance and discussed using Davey Tree Service to go up and down each of our roadways and trim back where necessary. This will cost the village \$25,000.00. Russ said he checked with other municipalities and they all maintain the right of way. This has to be done before the leaves fall off.

The Main Street plan will be discussed at Planning and Zoning tomorrow night.

## **Police Chief**

Chief Baron said he wanted to thank the Civic Association for their help with Safety Day. He also thanked Officer Gerdeman for setting this up.

He said that Officer Gerdeman has passed all the tests to become a Crisis Negotiator with the Crisis Negotiation Uni in Delaware County. Congratulations.

## **Communications**

Mayor Mathews said he attended Safety Day later in the day. It looked like there was a good turnout.

### **Pro Tem Report**

Pro tem Thatcher said there have been a lot of comments on things that we have talked about in council meetings on social media. I have directed them to the building to talk to Russ or Shirley about those for the finance stuff. To date no one has shown. They have questions about it and they want to talk about it but they really don't want the correct answer apparently, because they are available, and I did tell them where.

### **Committee Reports**

Council member Isern said that the JEDD Board met today. We were audited by the State for fiscal Year 2022 and 2023 and we were found to be in compliance. We are starting to build up a little money in the JEDD Board account so the next step will be to try and figure out what the priorities are in the JEDD District.

Council member Gates said that Finance met tonight. We discussed the \$25,000.00 for Davey Tree. That comes out to be less than \$1,000.00 per street. We also discussed the shortage in the street fund to pay for the paving project. We will be using approximately \$40,000.00 out of the general fund to make up the difference.

The cost to dredge the pond, if necessary, will come from the TIF fund and/or grants.

The RITA funds are \$30,000.00 higher than last year. Shirley and Russ will be working on next year's budget soon.

### **Legislative Actions**

First Reading – Resolution 19-2024 – A Resolution accepting the amount and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

### **Bills**

It was moved by Zimmerman, seconded by Isern to pay the bills in the amount of \$30,630.05. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea. 6 Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

### **Treasurer's Report**

It was moved by Matney, seconded by Zimmerman to approve the following treasurer's report.

General Fund	512,192.15	Enfct. and Education	1,795.98
Street Fund	86,299.39	Fire Fund	173,665.82
State Highway	44,256.85	TIF Fund	113,360.08
PD Body Armor	2,400.23	TIF 2 Fund	30,059.94
Cont. Pro. Training	8,528.76	Police District Fund	161,427.66
Evans Farm JEDD	5,635.91	Veteran's Memorial	298.97
Drug Law Enfct.	534.41	Sewer Operating	88,580.33
Indigent Drivers	385.84	Sewer Replacement	7,506.08
Law Enfct. Trust	3,852.20	Storm Sewer Fund	35,271.44
Am Rescue Plan	55,468.14	Debt Service Fund	73,175.68
Weed Fund	648.38	Enterprise Improvement	23,419.00

For a total of \$1,443,210.99

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea. 6 Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, it was moved by Matney, seconded by Zimmerman to adjourn.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea. 6 Gates, Isern, LaRosa, Matney, Thatcher and Zimmerman. Nay, none. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.