Special Council Minutes Village Office, 3 South Main Street November 14, 2024 6:30PM

Council Members:

Village Officials:

Sterling Krout
Tony Taylor
Dale Brussee
Ashley Moore
Tasia Savage
Lynne Snider

Amanda Lackey – President Abby Tolliver – Clerk of Council Melissa Brofford – Village Adminstr.

Call to Order:

Mayor Lackey called to the meeting to order on November 14, 2024 at 6:30PM by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Roll Call was taken with Council President Sterling Krout, Council Member Lynne Snider, Council Member Tony Taylor, Council Member Dale Brussee, and Council Member Tasia Savage all present. Mayor Lackey announced that Council Member Ashley Moore had run into a slight delay, and would be arriving momentarily.

Roll Call:

Sterling Krout – aye Lynne Snider – aye Tony Taylor – aye Dale Brussee – aye Tasia Savage – aye

Review & Approval of Special Council Agenda for November 14, 2024:

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to approve the Special Council Agenda for November 14, 2024 after review. Council Member Tasia Savage made the motion, and was seconded by Council President Sterling Krout. A roll call vote was taken with all council members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Tasia Savage – aye Dale Brussee – aye Tony Taylor – aye Lynne Snider – aye Sterling Krout – aye

Executive Session:

Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to open an Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code 121.22(G)(1) to consider and discuss the employment and/or compensation of a public official; invited to the session by Council were Mayor Lackey and Village Administrator Melissa Brofford. Council President Sterling Krout made a motion to enter Executive Session, and was seconded by Council Member Tony Taylor.

Roll Call:

Lynne Snider – aye Tasia Savage – aye Dale Brussee – aye Tony Taylor – aye Sterling Krout – aye

Motion Passed 5-0

The Executive Session was started at 6:31PM. Council Member Ashley Moore joined the Executive Session at 6:40PM. Mayor Lackey asked for a motion to end the Executive Session at 7:43PM, which was made by Council President Sterling Krout. Council Member Tony Taylor seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Dale Brussee – aye Tasia Savage – aye Sterling Krout – aye Tony Taylor – aye Lynne Snider – aye Ashley Moore – aye

Motion Passed 6-0

After a reminder of terms of the agreement, Council Member Sterling made a motion to hire Fiscal Officer Melissa Trimbey under the following terms; \$40,000 compensation for 3-year wrongful termination, \$20,000 compensation for restoration of Budget Books, and agreement to remain in position until the fulfillment of Mayor Lackey's term at minimum. Council Member Lynne Snider seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, with four members voting aye, one member voting nay, and one member abstaining.

Roll Call:

Sterling Krout – aye Lynne Snider = aye Tony Taylor – abstain Ashley Moore – nay Dale Brussee – aye Tasia Savage – aye

Motion Passed 4-1

Administrator Brofford informed Council that a contract would be written up by Solicitor Zets, and Council Member Dale Brussee explained that the contract would need to be passed at the Regular Council Meeting at the end of the month. Mayor Lackey informed Council that Ms. Trimbey would not be starting until November 26th. Council Member Dale Brussee explained that Chief Williams had turned in his resignation, and Ms. Trimbey would be starting as Chief Williams left. Council Member Ashley Moore questioned Chief Williams retirement status, to which Administrator Brofford confirmed a resignation letter would be received by council at the coming Regular Council Meeting. Council Clerk Abby Tolliver reminded Council that Executive Session had ended and they were back on the record. Council Member Dale Brussee explained that Villages are unable to pay out pensions, so waiting for a specific date would not matter. Administrator Brofford suggested holding the rest of the conversation until the coming Regular Council Meeting. Council Member Tony Taylor was excused from the meeting due to prior commitments.

Adjournment:

Mayor Lackey asked for any further comments and announcements. With no other business, Council President Sterling Krout made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and was seconded by Council Member Tasia Savage. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting aye.

Roll Call:

Sterling Krout – aye Lynne Snider – aye Ashley Moore – aye Dale Brussee – aye Tasia Savage – aye

Motion Passed 5-0

Mayor, Amanda Lackey

Clerk of Council, Abby Tolliver