

## Regular Session of Village Council

December 16, 2025; 6:00 pm

### **Call to Order**

The Regular Session of Council was called to order by Mayor Mitchell Fisher. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call**

Roll Call was completed by Solicitor, John Kaspar. The following members were present.

York Bryant - A  
Jim Frederick  
Mike McKeehan

Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh  
George Schraffenberger  
Ben Steiner

### **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion to adopt the November 18 Regular Session made by Frederick; second by Schraffenberger. All yeas.

### **Reports / Legislation from Village Officials**

Monthly Village Fiscal Revenue Status by Fund Summary, Bank Reconciliation and Disbursements, Mayor's Court Report and Bank Reconciliation were provided for Council.

### **Matt Latham, CEO Warren County Park District**

The Mayor introduced Matt Latham, CEO of the Warren County Park District. Mr. Latham presented a slide show informing council of the importance of our parks. There are 12 parks and 6 conservation areas in Warren County. One of those is our very own Morrow Veteran's Park. The Park is the 3<sup>rd</sup> most visited in Warren County and the District is looking to build a restroom as soon as they can raise more funds. The Park District was given a \$50,000 donation from the Oeder family for a restroom and the district is now looking for grants to cover the remainder of the cost. The Park District does not receive tax revenue, local government funds are how the department operates. The Park District works with local libraries and gives nature educational programs. Warren County Parks are a benefit to the county and draws many people in and therefore helps bring revenue and growth.

### **Christmas on Main – Wrap Up**

The Mayor thanked everyone for the great turn out, all of the help and for making this one of the best Christmas on Main events ever. Administrator Whitacre thanked everyone including the Police Department and Fire Department. Whitacre informed everyone of the great events that occurred: Santa, the parade, many different hands-on activities, free food, give-aways, and the grand finale, the fireworks. Whitacre asked if anyone had any suggestions on how to make Christmas on Main better next year. One suggestion was better advertising.

### **Village Officials**

The Mayor had a few updates for council:

1. Bank Account – had to close and open a new checking account.
2. Fund Balance – yearly fund balance has increased since the Mayor took office.
  - a. January 2024 – \$1,973,000
  - b. January 2025 - \$2,193,000
  - c. November 30, 2025 - \$2,345,000
3. Snow Storm – Maintenance (Mike & James) did an excellent job keeping the roads clean.
4. Booster Station project on 22 & 3 will begin tomorrow. Should be completed in a couple of weeks.
5. Morrow Plaza is on the move. Major work has been done to the back of the plaza and to the roof.

Administrator Whitacre updated council on 2 items:

1. The Railroad Bridge – 90% of conduit has been placed, 4 lights are yet to be received, no control panel yet. Hoping this is completed soon.
2. Cybersecurity kick off meeting will be held with the administrator on January 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30, as a prelude to the larger Launch meeting after that.

Councilmember Isaacs-Niemesh thanked the Village for the opportunity to serve and congratulated the newly elected council members.

Fiscal Officer Powell requested a thumbs up from council for two leak adjustments. The first address is 6870 E US 22 & 3. Customer meets all requirements. Council gave the thumbs up for this adjustment. The second address is 4953 Mary Louise. Council gave a previous adjustment to this address. This request is from the same leak. Council is asking for the customer to request some of this money from the plumbing company who caused part of the issue and leak. This will be tabled for another meeting upon information from the customer.

Chief Kilburn thanked all of the outgoing council for their continuous time, effort and labor they put into the Village. Chief also welcomed the new elected council members. Chief informed council the new body cameras for the police department have arrived and are in the process of being set up.

**Open to the Floor**

The Mayor opened the floor for comments and there were none.

The Mayor closed the floor.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Steiner; second by Frederick. All yea.

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Tina Powell, Clerk of Council

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Mitchell Fisher, Mayor