COUNCIL MEETING

November 6, 2024

The Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Rick presiding.

Mr. Tonsic asked everyone to join him in a moment of reflection for their own intentions. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all.

The Council Meeting was held in the Council Chambers. The meeting was open to the public and was live-streamed on Facebook.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Mr. Yoho, Mr. McDowall, Ms. Van Dike, Mr. Raddish, Mr. Tonsic, and Mr. Bauer were present. Ms. Miller was excused.

<u>Others Present</u>: Mayor Rick, Council Clerk Rachel Osborne, Clerk-Treasurer Scott Varney, and Law Director Jason Dodson, and Village Engineer Matt Glass.

Motion by Mr. Yoho second by Mr. Raddish for the approval of the agenda as presented. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Van Dike second by Mr. McDowall to adopt the minutes from the October 16, 2024, Council meetings. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON PENDING LEGISLATION – No comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UTILITIES – Mr. Bauer has no report.

SAFETY – Mr. Yoho reported he has one piece of legislation to read.

PARKS –Mr. McDowall reported he has two pieces of legislation to read.

PLANNING AND ZONING – Ms. Miller is excused.

FINANCE/AUDIT – Ms. Van Dike has no report.

STREETS – Mr. Tonsic has no report.

Council President Mr. Raddish announced the November Work Session will be held Monday, November 25th at 5:30 p.m. with all committees reporting.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – Three pieces of legislation.

Mr. McDowall presented Resolution 2024-70 sponsored by Parks Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF MOGADORE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM TO SUPPORT THE EXTENSION OF A NEW TRAIL IN LIONS PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. McDowall made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings; Mr. Tonsic seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. McDowall to adopt Resolution 2024-70; a second was made by Mr. Tonsic.

Mayor Rick stated this is phase three of the trail and phase two was finished yesterday.

Raddish asked for project cost to start.

Glass stated it will be cheaper than phase two. The project is estimated between \$100,000.00 to \$125,000.00 and the Village would get 75% for the Grant if it's awarded.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. McDowall presented Resolution 2024-71 sponsored by the Parks Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE MOGADORE ATHLETIC BOOSTER ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR A GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. McDowall made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings; Mr. Tonsic seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. McDowall to adopt Resolution 2024-71; a second was made by Mr. Bauer.

Mayor Rick stated this is for turfing for the infield of the High School baseball field. The Athletic Boosters will be covering most of the cost. The total cost is over \$110,000.00 and the Village is giving them a grant for another \$50,000.00.

Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Yoho presented Resolution 2024-72 sponsored by the Safety Committee as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO HIRE AN ADDITIONAL PATROLMAN IN THE MOGADORE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THEREBY INCREASING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED OFFICERS IN THE DEPARTMENT TO TEN OFFICERS, INCLUDING PATROLMEN, SERGEANTS AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Yoho made a motion to suspend the rules requiring three readings; Mr. Tonsic seconded the motion. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Yoho to adopt Resolution 2024-72; a second was made by Mr. Bauer. Vote. Unanimous ayes. Motion carried.

<u>COMMENTS from the Public</u>: Jill Kirsch, 948 Pontius Road NW, Hartville, thanked the council members who took the time to explore how and why what they are suggesting and how it works. She also thanked Rachel Osborne for her help and work regarding public records requests. Kirsch stated she spoke with Mr. Tonsic this morning and he said there is not enough support for a TNR program and the feeding ban will stand as written. Kirsch stated they do not need a TNR program, money has been raised to help the community cats, what they need is the feeding ban to be removed so they can help the cats. Kirsch stated she consulted with two attorneys that have offered to move forward with a federal lawsuit against the Village regarding the feeding ban referencing the recent Ohio Supreme Court ruling on Ohio animal cruelty law.

COMMENTS from the Council: Mr. Tonsic stated the trick-or-treat was fantastic!

COMMENTS from the Law Director: No Comments.

COMMENTS from the Village Engineer: No Comments.

COMMENTS from the Clerk-Treasurer: No Comments.

COMMENTS from Mayor Rick: The Mogadore Historical Society will host a soup and sandwich luncheon Wednesday, November 13th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Russ M. Pry Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Attest:

Mayor Date

Clerk-Treasurer