

# VILLAGE OF JEFFERSON COUNCIL MEETING

May 6, 2024

Meeting called to order by Mayor Chiacchiero.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silence:

Opening Prayer: Jefferson United Methodist Church

**Roll call of Council** Dreier-Absent, Febel, Martuccio, Roderick-Absent, Sekanina, Orvos

## **Corrections or Additions to the Agenda:**

Under Building Lands: Take off the roll call. The motion was tabled and should not have a roll call.

Under Mayor: Correct the wording that Councilperson Martuccio stated about Administrator Mackensen. Martuccio said he supported the Mayor's statement about Administrator Mackensen he could not have asked for a better successor.

## **Minutes: Approval/Addition/Correction**

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2024, as corrected.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to accept the Jefferson Cemetery Trustees Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2024.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

## **Visitor's Comments (five-minute limit per council rule #13)**

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None

**Also present:**

Deputy Chief Joseph Schor, Devin Chiacchiero, Warren Dillaway of The Star Beacon, Stephanie Wessell of the Gazette, Mary Howe, Frank Snyder, Judy Maloney, Pat Bradek, John Perrotti, Jon McMannes, Amber Stewert, Patrolman Eric Massie, John Powers Jefferson Township, John Boczar Jefferson Township, Cayce Baxley, Maria Abbott, Akshay Mahajan, and Miss Red.

**JOINT CEMETRY MEETING 7:35 p.m.**

**Joint Oakdale Cemetery Board Meeting**

Motion by Councilperson Febel to appoint Mayor Chiacchiero to Chair the Joint Oakdale Cemetery Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Roll Call of Council: Dreier-Absent, Febel, Martuccio, Roderick-Absent, Sekanina, Orvos.

Roll Call of Trustees: Barber-Absent, Boczar, Powers.

Motion by Township Representative Powers to approve the Joint Oakdale Cemetery Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2023

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to approve the Joint Oakdale Cemetery Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2024

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to approve the Oakdale Cemetery End of Year Balances for 2023

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

**Appropriations: Add/Corrections:**

Motion Councilperson Febel to approve the 2024 Budget of the Oakdale Cemetery Trustees

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Please look over the terms listed below.

| <b><u>Oakdale Cemetery</u></b>  | 326 N. Market St |            | 440-576-3782              |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| <b><u>Board of Trustees</u></b> |                  |            | <b><u>3-year Term</u></b> |
| <b><u>(Staggered)</u></b>       |                  |            |                           |
| Clerk: Katrina Knauff           | 75 E. Walnut St  | No term    | 440-415-4798              |
| Township: John Powers           | 1833 March Rd    | 12/31/2025 | 440-858-7499              |
| Village: Karen Roderick         | 399 Kathleen Dr  | 12/31/2024 | 440-261-1258              |
| Citizen: Jason Ashba            | 29 W. Cedar St   | 12/31/2026 | 216-214-5793              |

**Correspondence:**

Visitors' Comments:

Meetings:

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to leave the regular Joint Cemetery Meeting at 7:38 p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Martuccio to go back into the regular Council Meeting at 7:39 p.m.

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Roll: All yea, motion carried

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### DEPARTMENTS

#### Administrator Mackensen

Village Administrator's report for the period ending May 03, 2024.

Projects update:

| Project                       |                  | Status                                                   | Vendor        | Grant/Loan                                  |  | Total Cost       |
|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| <b>ACTIVE PROJECTS</b>        | <b>Project #</b> |                                                          |               |                                             |  |                  |
| WWTP Renovations              | OPWC – R37       | Submitted to<br>DOD/EPA<br>Resubmitting to<br>OPWC – R37 | CT Consulting | Engineering grant<br>\$90,000               |  | \$1,250,000      |
|                               |                  |                                                          |               |                                             |  |                  |
|                               |                  |                                                          |               |                                             |  |                  |
| WWTP Clarifier<br>Improvement | OPWC – R38       | Starting Engineering<br>01/01/2024                       | CT Consulting | \$207,500 Grant<br>\$50,000 Loan            |  | \$515,000        |
|                               |                  |                                                          |               |                                             |  |                  |
| Street Paving 2024            |                  | Finishing Engineering                                    | CT Consulting | drainage on E<br>Walnut - possible<br>grant |  | Up to<br>270.000 |
|                               |                  |                                                          |               |                                             |  |                  |
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#### In the Village

Spoke with Michael Johnson, the original owner of Memorial Field who sold the property to the village regarding any restrictions for land use for Memorial Field. Mr. Johnson stated we have his blessing to use the property for any green space recreational area.

The Jefferson Nazarene Church Service Event. The church volunteers. During that time, they planted new flower beds at the rec center and Memorial Field landscaping on the front entrance facing the road.

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## **Street Dept.**

- Regarding new trees in front of the old courthouse, the village will be planting Tuesday weather depending.  
Brush pickup has started again on the first Monday of each month from now till October before leaf pick up.  
A new zero turn mower, by embark Lazer Zx series, was delivered.  
Village cleanup day is May 11<sup>th</sup> but have all items out by Friday as they start at 6am on Saturday. As a friendly reminder please have all mattresses and furniture wrapped in plastic an item should be of a size that will fit in the truck and not more than 100lbs

## **Recreation Department:**

New heat and A/C have been installed in the gym.  
Plant sale is Mother day weekend starting on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> and Giddings Park.

## **Wastewater Treatment Plant:**

- Plant operations are running at acceptable levels.

## **Police:**

## **Fire:**

## **Other Items:**

| Address         | Violation Type | Status | Comments |
|-----------------|----------------|--------|----------|
| 82 East Walnut  | grass          |        | ongoing  |
| 97 W Jefferson  | grass          |        |          |
| 223 S. Sycomore | grass          |        |          |
| 51 W. Erie      | grass          |        |          |

Administrator Mackensen told the Council that Clean Up Day for the Village of Jefferson is May 11, 2024. All furniture must be wrapped in plastic, or it will not be picked up.

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The tall grass around the Village residents are receiving notice's and will have a limited time to get the mowing done.

**Clerk /Treasurer Fisher**

Payroll Report/Special Pay Report

Motion by Councilperson Martuccio to approve the attendance of Clerk-Treasurer Fisher to attend the Ohio Public Finance Officers Training June 4-7, 2024, the cost to the Village for the training is only one hotel night and mileage. Because I am the Workers Compensation Coordinator for the Ohio Association of Public Treasurers<sup>2nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

**Deputy Chief Schor**

FYI: April Monthly Reports

Deputy Chief Schor told Council the new Police Department cruiser is being outfitted and will be on the road soon.

Deputy Chief Schor told Council the Village he is in the process of ordering the speed bumps.

**Chief Lachey**

No Report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building and Lands**

**Committee Report:** None

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**Ordinance/Resolution to Read:** None

**Tabled**

**Ordinance No. 24-O- 3334**

An ordinance prohibiting Adult use Cannabis Operators in the Village of Jefferson, Ohio.

**Forestry**

**Committee Report:** None

**Finance**

**Committee Report:** None

**Recreation**

**Committee Report:**

Motion by Councilperson Martuccio to accept the Resignation of Jolene Young, from the Jefferson the Recreation Department as the Part – Time Custodian effective April 15, 2024.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Martuccio to accept the Administrator's recommendation to hire Vicky Phillips to the Recreation Department as the Part – Time Custodian at the rate of pay per the Wage Ordinance pending her physical and background check effective May 6, 2024.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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**Safety**

**Committee Report:**

Motion by Councilperson Febel to accept the Deputy Chief's recommendation to remove Patrolman Eric Massie off his six-month probation and move him to the pay status of the wage Ordinance effective May 13, 2024.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the Deputy Chiefs Recommendation to send Patrolman William Dye and Patrolman Eric Massie to Evidence Room Management training November 5, 2024. The cost of the class will be \$115.00 per officer.

2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll: All yea, motion carried

**Utilities/Wastewater Treatment/ Service**

**Committee Report:** No Report

**Mayor**

No Report

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS**

FYI: Andrews & Pontius LLC

Motion by Councilperson Martuccio to implement video and audio recordings of Village Council meetings beginning with the Village Council meeting on May 20,



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2024, with said recordings to be made available to the public through the Village's website the next business day following the conclusion of the Council meeting and the recordings shall be maintained by the Village's public records custodian in accordance with the Village's records retention policy.

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Roll: All yea, motion carried

**Visitor's Comments (five-minute limit per council rule #13)**

Casey Baxley of the Jefferson Garden Club remind everyone of the annual plant sale this weekend May 9, 2024 thru May 11, 2024.

Miss Red of Am Ford stood up and spoke to council telling them that they are having a Grand Opening on May 18, 2023 from 11:00 to 2:00 p.m. There will be fun for everyone. Along with prizes and food.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**MEETINGS**

None

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to adjourn the Council Meeting.

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Roll: All yea, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Patricia A Fisher, Clerk of Council