

VILLAGE OF JEFFERSON COUNCIL MEETING

September 3, 2024

Meeting called to order by Mayor Chiacchiero.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silence:

Opening Prayer: Curtis Cecil Jefferson Church of the Nazarene

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

Corrections or Additions to the Agenda:

None

Minutes: Approval/Addition/Correction

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2024.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to accept the Building & Lands Committee Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2024.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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

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Mary Howe of 95 West Walnut asked the Council about the Small Nation visit. She Was wondering when the Village was going to get the report back.

Mayor Chiacchiero told her that there is a meeting September 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Resident Frank Snyder of 116 West Jefferson Street thanked the Village for moving the dog park. He also spoke to the Council on the political signs Ordinance. He stated he thought that the Village addressed the politic sign Ordinance years back had restrictions on the signs.

Temporary packing in the front yards does not understand why this was an issues.

Brian Diehl of the Ashtabula County Civic Development Corporation spoke to Jefferson Village Council about the dreams of transforming Jefferson Memorial Field. The dream is to have an all-inclusive playground at the old Memorial Field.

Amanda Tirotta of the Ashtabula County Civic Development Corporation shared news to the Jefferson Village Council about the \$500,000.00 from the Civic Development Corporation. Amanda explained to the Council that the Village applied for a grant through the Civic Development Corporation. Organizations that apply for the grants through us have a five-year cycle before it must be completed. The Village will have help with the project through the Civic Development Corporation.

Manda Jackson of the County Board of Developmental Disabilities announced that they are giving the Village of Jefferson an additional \$150,000.00 towards the playground. This funding is to make ADA compliant bathrooms accessible for children with developmental disabilities. The Funds for the County Board of Developmental Disabilities need to be expended within one year.

Administrator Mackensen told everyone that the Village has already started engineering on the project. This project will be done in phases. Other future plans

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are to have walking track with fitness stations, half-court basketball area, pickleball court, precast ping pong table, cornhole and all-inclusive ziplining course.

Mayor Chiacchiero, Administrator Mackensen and the Village Council thanked everyone involved with the money.

Also present:

Stephanie Wessell of the Gazette, Deputy Chief Joe Schor, Patrolman Billy Dye, Devin Chiacchiero, Ken Fertig, Pat Bradek, John Perrotti, Judy Maloney, Mary Howe, Frank Snyder, Brian Diehl, Amanda Tirota and Curtis Cecil Jefferson Church of the Nazarene.

DEPARTMENTS

Administrator Mackensen

Village Administrator's report for the period ending August 30, 2024.

Projects update:

Project		Status	Vendor	Grant/Loan		Total Cost
ACTIVE PROJECTS	Project #					
WWTP Renovations	OPWC – R37	Submitted to DOD/EPA Resubmitting to OPWC – R37	CT Consulting	Engineering grant \$90,000		\$1,250,000
WWTP Clarifier Improvement	OPWC – R38	Starting Engineering 01/01/2024	CT Consulting	\$207,500 Grant \$50,000 Loan		\$515,000
Street Paving 2024		Awarded scheduling	CT Consulting			243,106
WWTP Clarifier Improvement	OPWC-R39	Submitted to DOD/EPA Resubmitting to OPWC – R39	CT Consulting			\$515,000

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In the Village

D B Bentley Excavating is working their way east on the drain line improvement from Elm Street to Chestnut Street on the north side of West Jefferson Street.

2024 Paving is to start in the next week and should be completed by September 30th

Linda Lane, Spruce St. and Walnut street.

Street Dept.

Crack Sealing is taking place throughout the village

Recreation Department:

The new Giddings Park playground will be taken down this week to make room for the playground obtained from the elementary school last year

Wastewater Treatment Plant:

Police:

Fire:

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Other Items:

Address	Violation Type	Status	Comments
102 West Satin St		Letter sent	
325 South Chestnut St.		Letter Sent	

Administrator Mackensen told everyone that the front yard parking has not changed. But the side is for the people that are parking vehicles for a length of time. Such as grass and weed growing around the vehicle. It is unsightly. These are the things we are trying to not have in the Village of Jefferson.

Clerk /Treasurer Fisher

Payroll Report/Special Pay Report

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to approve the attendance of Clerk-Treasurer Fisher to attend the Ohio Association of Public Treasurers Annual Conference. The Training will be at Maumee Bay Lodge & Conference Center. There will be no cost for a hotel room because I am part of the board. The training is October 8, 2024, through October 11, 2024. The cost to the Village will be meals, and mileage.

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Roll: All yea, motion carried

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Deputy Chief Schor

The following is a list of major calls for service and incident report categories for the month of August 2024. Attached is the statistics for the month as well for your review.

Calls For Service	385
Incident Offence Reports	32
Traffic Stops	60
Traffic Citations	15
Traffic Crashes	03
Physical Arrests	07
Medical Call Assists	27
Vehicle Lock Outs	07
Suspicious Activity	20
Towed Vehicles	01

Incident Offences Reported:

Threats, Found Property, Assault, Failure to Comply with an officer, Death Investigation, Burglary, Junk Vehicle, Property Damage, Unruly Juvenile, Protection Order Violation, Warrant Arrest, Domestic Violence, Swatting, Fraud, Child Abuse, Theft, Vandalism, OVI and Tampering with coin machine.

Chief Lachey

No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Lands

Committee Report: None

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Ordinance/Resolution to Read:

Ordinance No. 24-O- 3344

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 894 To be titled “Community Reinvestment area Tax Incentive Program”, to establish a new CRA for the entire Village, To create a Community Reinvestment Housing Council, and to create a tax incentive review Council.

Motion by Councilperson Drier for the First Reading of Ordinance No. 24-O-3344

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Ordinance/Resolution to Read:

Ordinance No. 24-O- 3346

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 452.03 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Jefferson, Ohio pertaining to prohibited standing or parking places

Motion by Councilperson Drier for the First Reading of Ordinance No. 24-O-3346

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Forestry

Committee Report: None

Finance

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Committee Report: None

Ordinance/Resolution to Read:

Resolution No. 24-R- 3343

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.

Motion by Councilperson Drier for the First Reading of Resolution No. 24-R-3343

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Recreation

Committee Report: No Report

Safety

Committee Report:

Motion by Councilperson Febel to accept the Mayor's recommendation to hire. Matthew Dailey to the fulltime Detective/Patrolman position, at the rate of pay per the Wage Ordinance upon his completion of his and physical with the Ohio Police & Fire.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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Motion by Councilperson Febel to accept the Deputy Chief's recommendation to remove Patrolman Adam Gozelanczk off his six-month probation and move him to the pay status of the wage Ordinance effective July 24, 2024.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Utilities/Wastewater Treatment/ Service

Committee Report:

Motion by Councilperson Orvos to accept the Administrator's recommendation to promote Richard Dean from the Utility Maintenance Position to the Driver Labor Position effective September 4, 2024.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Mayor

Motion by Councilperson Febel to accept the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Billy Burnett to the Planning Commission Board term, expiring 12/31/2026. To replace Robert Burnett who passed away

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson to accept the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Billy Burnett to the Board of Audit Review Board. To replace Robert Burnett who passed away.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance/Resolution to Read:

Resolution No. 24-R- 3342

A Resolution of the Village Of Jefferson, State of Ohio, Supporting The Ohio Commission for the United States Semi Quincentennial (America250-Oh)

Motion by Councilperson Febel for the Second Reading of Resolution No. 24-R- 3342

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

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None

ADJOURN

Motion by Councilperson Sekanina to adjourn the Council Meeting.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by,

Patricia A Fisher, Clerk of Council