

REGULAR MEETING

December 12, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Moweaqua Village Council was called to order by Mayor Conlin leading in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll Call was answered by Kenny Long, Roger Cox, Jack Kaufman, Mike Snyder, Josh Whitney and Sean Hayes. Employees present were Boomer Neece, Chief Hale, Brad Sams, Courtney Dalton, Beth Hawn, Virginia Morrell, Mischelle Davis and Attorney for the Village, Scott Garwood was also present. Others present included Will Stryker and Chastain & Associates Representative, Ron Legner.

Long made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with additions and corrections including the November Regular Meeting Minutes, Bills to be Paid in December and Treasurer's Report, Cox seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Chastain & Associates Engineer, Ron Legner, presented an Amendment to the Agreement for Engineering, Planning, Design and Construction Regarding the Hanover-Wall Water Main and Painting the Elevated and Ground Storage Water Tanks project. Snyder made the motion to approve the Amended Engineering Agreement, Cox seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Legner presented Change Order #3 Regarding L17-5609 Water System Improvements. This change order reconciles costs in order to close out the non-lead portion of the project. Twenty-one dollars (\$21.00) will be deducted from the total project budget. Snyder made the motion to approve Change Order #3 relating to L17-5609 Water System Improvements, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Legner presented the bids regarding L17-6290 Lead Line Replacement Project for Council consideration. Of the two bids received Burdick Plumbing & Heating came in the lowest at \$1,527,000.00. Council was in agreement that Burdick Plumbing & Heating should be awarded the bid for L17-6290 Lead Line Replacement Project.

Legner presented the Notice of Intent to Award L17-6290 Lead Line Replacement Project contingent upon I.E.P.A. approval to Burdick Plumbing & Heating. Kaufman made the motion to approve the Notice of Intent to Award L17-6290 Lead Line Replacement Project contingent upon I.E.P.A. approval to Burdick Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$1,527,000.00, Cox seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Attorney Garwood addressed Code Violations at 348 E. South. Council was in agreement that the house is uninhabitable, and the property owner is in violation of several Village ordinances. After discussion Whitney made the motion to deem 348 E. South Street dangerous and unsafe and allow the Zoning Administrator to post Notice, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes.

Attorney Garwood presented Tax Levy Ordinance #2023-19 for Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024. The annual tax levy ordinance must be passed prior to the last Tuesday in December. This proposed ordinance requests a levy increase of 3% which is the maximum amount allowed by the PTELL law. Snyder made the motion to approve Tax Levy Ordinance #2023-19, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Attorney Garwood presented Amended Water & Sewer Rate Ordinance #2023-20. Long made the motion to approve Amended Water & Sewer Rate Ordinance #2023-20, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Attorney Garwood presented Paid Leave for All Workers Act Ordinance #2023-21. After discussion Whitney made the motion to approve the Paid Leave for All Workers Act Ordinance #2023-21, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Village Clerk, Mischelle Davis presented the Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 TIF Reimbursements and recommendation memo from Jake Zambaldi of Moran Economic Development. After discussion Whitney made the motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 TIF Reimbursements, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Water & Sewer Superintendent Boomer Neece requested reimbursement of engineering costs relating to the Sewer Improvement and Lead Line Projects in the amount of \$122,739.03. The engineering costs will be reimbursed from TIF funds and paid back 100% by the Water & Sewer Department when I.E.P.A Loan Funds for said project are received.

Davis presented the Employee Health Insurance Renewal. Donna Parker of Peterson Insurance recommended staying with the same plan as last year. The monthly premium on the Health Alliance 2024 POS 1000 Gold will increase approximately \$500.00 but will be within what the Ordinance allows per employee. Deductibles, co-pays and out-of-pocket max will remain the same. Kaufman made the motion to approve the 2024 Health Insurance Quote of \$9,519.55 per month from Health Alliance, Cox seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Neece presented a quote from Vernon Manufacturing in the amount of \$5,505.00 for an automatic water salesman. The water salesman will be installed at the water shed location for bulk water sales and

will accept currency and coins. The current coin-operated equipment is frequently out of order and needs replaced. Snyder made the motion to approve the quote in the amount of \$5,505.00 from Vernon Manufacturing for an automatic water salesman, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin requested Council approval to plan the Staff/Employee Christmas party and purchase gift cards for the employees. After discussion Cox made the motion to approve planning the Staff/Employee Christmas party and purchasing gift cards for employees at the Mayor's discretion, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Cox made the motion to enter Executive Session for the semi-annual review and discussion regarding all minutes lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to end Executive Session, Snyder seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to approve Executive Session minutes of June 13, 2023 and September 12, 2023, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Snyder made the motion to make Executive Session minutes of June 13, 2023 open to the public, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to keep Executive Session minutes of July 31, 1991, March 5, 2018, May 14, 2019, September 17, 2020 and September 12, 2023 meetings closed, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to destroy recordings of Executive Session minutes if 18 months or older including December 14, 2021, February 8, 2022 and April 20, 2022, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Long, made the motion to adjourn, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

MAYOR

CLERK