

Richwood Village Council Regular Meeting – Agenda 10/23/2023

1. Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 pm

2. Call to order and Roll Call

Reddy Brown Y Pat Morse Y Von Beal Y Donald Ridgeway Y Jackie Hamilton Y George Showalter Y

3. Meeting Minutes from regular meeting 10/10/2023

Motion to approve Minutes:

Motion PM Second DR Vote: RB Y PM Y VB Y DR Y JH AB GS Y

4. Warrants

Motion to approve Warrants

Motion VB Second GS Vote: RB Y PM Y VB Y DR Y JH Y GS Y

5. Introduction of Visitors

- Tracy Richardson

6. Legislation

7. Mayor's Report:

8. Administration Report
- Street/Utility
  - Police
  - Finance
  - Zoning

9. Old Business:

10. New Business:

11. Adjourn Motion VB Second PM  
Vote: RB Y PM Y VB Y DR Y JH Y GS Y Time: 8:08 pm

Next Council meeting Monday November 13th @ 7:00 PM

**October 10, 2023**  
**RICHWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the regular meeting of Richwood Village Council was called to order by Mayor Scott Jerew on October 10, 2023 at 7:00pm

Mayor Jerew called for attendance. Council members present Reddy Brown, Pat Morse, Donald Ridgeway, George Showalter and Von Beal, Village Administrator Monte Asher, Fiscal Officer Sarah Sellers, Police Chief Jim Hill, Zoning Officer Marion Bump, and Solicitor Julie Spain. Jackie Hamilton absent.

Pat Morse moved and Donald Ridgeway seconded a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from 09/25/23. Motion passed unanimously with George Showalter abstaining.

Von Beal moved and Reddy Brown seconded a motion to approve the warrants dated 10/10/23. The motion passed unanimously with Georg Showalter abstaining.

**Visitors:**

- Nancy Beals from Union County Drug Free Coalition shared information with council on the effects that Issue 2, Legalizing recreation marijuana. The effects include but not limited to, include the youth, employees, economic impact, criminal activity, and increase of addiction.

**Legislation:**

**Mayor's report:**

- **Trail Blazers propose a Capitol Budget project for a new pickleball court at the park. This would include removing the tennis courts, resurfacing basketball court, possibly a fence and 6 pickleball courts. Reddy Brown moved and Pat Morse seconded the motion to submit a Capitol Budget Project for \$150,000 to \$175,000 for the new pickleball courts in the park. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Skelton Skedaddle with the 21<sup>st</sup> along with the Haunted Trail. Could use some help from council to cook hotdogs. If the weather is good, we could see around 1,000 people.**
- **Check out the new fence at the parking lot, it looks very nice.**

**Street/ Utility report** read by Village Administrator, Sarah Sellers. Bold items reported.

**Police report** read by Police Chief, Jim Hill, Report attached

**Finance report** read by Fiscal Officer, Sarah Sellers. Bold items reported.

**Zoning report.** Read by Zoning Officer, Marion Bump. Report attached

**Old Business:**

- **Boys Scout is working on his plan for the metal fence.**

**New Business:**

- **Pat Morse reported that Julie Cardone from Softball for Girls stated they are doing some electrical work in the concession stand and also having a land line phone installed. No issues for council.**
- **George Showalter announced the invitation for the annual LUC dinner meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$20 each, let George know if you are attending and he will handle getting the tickets ordered.**
- **Von Beal stated that November 9<sup>th</sup> the Union County Republican Presidents Club dinner will be held at the Grange in Richwood, let him know if you are interested in attending.**
- **Julie Spain gave an update on what she is working on. Stated that Marion Bump is doing a wonderful job in zoning. The criminal charges for Richwood are threw the roof the last 2 months and the police are doing a great job with their write ups and reports. She met with Tom Baldwin on a foreclosure and there is big movement on a property that has seen none for many years. Baldwin is still working with the prosecutor and keeping her in the loop on information. She is also working with Thayne and Claiborne Township on a larger scale project to see what can be enforced and what cannot be.**
- **Pat Morse mention that there was a complaint on Facebook regarding more animals, specifically a rooster. There has always been a No Rooster ordinance in the village. There have been no official complaints given to the zoning officer.**

**George Showalter moved and Pat Morse seconded the motion to enter into executive session with no business to follow. Motion passed unanimously. Time: 7:40 pm.**

Next meeting is Monday, October 23rd at 7pm.

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Mayor

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Fiscal Officer



## Village Services

- 1) Regular maintenance – change trash, repair alleys, fix pot holes, lift stations, mowing, collecting lawn bags and chipping (seasonal), OUPS, clean catch basins, read meters monthly, spray weeds, banners/flags, trimmed trees as needed replacing water meters as needed.
- 2) Motherboard went out on clock tower. Trying to get bells working. Met with Nick and Reddy, in for repair right now. Bell Co worked on clock bell. They are working to give us an estimate on a 110 powered striker.
- 3) **See updated project report attached**
- 4) **Lines will be painted Tuesday night from Subway to Pharmacy; Admin building to VFW and Certified to Fulton Street.**
- 5) **Nick's plow truck will be going to JD in Marion for repair plow before snow season starts**
- 6) **Removed 4 tree stumps in concrete at VFW**
- 7) **Pulled and repaired Pearl St lift station pump**

## Planned Projects for 2023

- 1) Parking Lot on Lynn                      **fence is complete**
- 2) Electric at Shelter house            **meeting with Ohio Edison**
- 3) New Water Plant                        **goes to Bid Nov. of 2023**
- 4) SRTF 47 sidewalk                        **2024 install    Final Drawings – meeting 10/24**
- 5) New Well                                    **Map sent EPA for test drills**
- 6) Sewer Plant Up Grade                    **target to bid 2025**
- 7) Franklin Street Phase 3                **bidding in Dec. Meeting 10/24 with ODOT**
- 9) Restroom Shower House Lake        **working with Ohio Edison – waiting on call**

## **Richwood Police Department/Council Report 10/23/2023**

- **Turned over old police cruiser to Chapman's to complete trade of new cruiser. Thanks to Chapman's for permitting us to keep old cruiser until new cruiser was upfitted.**
- **Chief Hill completed OPOTA's Chief's training put on by the O.A.C.P.**
- **Started meetings with Tyler Technologies for the implementation of new RMS software. It is a county wide project that should be completed mid 2024.**

Village of Richwood  
Finance Report: 10/23/2023

- Payroll (biweekly 10/13; **biweekly/monthly 10/27**)
  - All withholdings, Taxes - Federal, School and State. Retirement - OPERS and OP&F are paid and current
  - Working on 2018 and 2019 audit (on-going) submitted both 2018 and 2019; waiting for auditor to review audits. Sent an email checking on status 10/22/23
  - StarOhio: September interest: \$8,559.26 YTD \$69,691.97
  - Bulk water sales: YTD \$6700.00 (2022 total \$10,118.00)
  - **Budget: refer to email from Andrea Weaver (discussion); also waiting to hear from Burnham and Flowers for insurance rates to finalize budget for 1<sup>st</sup> reading.**
  - Auditor of State annual training in Columbus on November 1<sup>st</sup> in Columbus
  - **Ohio Edison comparison chart – requested for admin building**
- September Bank rec