

Richwood Village Council Regular Meeting – Agenda 6/10/2024

1. Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 pm

2. Call to order and Roll Call

Reddy Brown A Pat Morse A Von Beal Y Donald Ridgeway Y Jackie Hamilton Y Brad Plotner Y

3. Meeting Minutes from regular meeting 05/28/024

Motion to approve Minutes:

Motion VB Second DR Vote: RB X PM X VB Y DR Y JH AB BP Y

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4. Warrants

Motion to approve Warrants

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5. Introduction of Visitors

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 JH
Vote: RB X PM X VB Y DR Y JH Y Time: 7:37

Next Council meeting Monday June 24th @ 7:00 PM

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the regular meeting of Richwood Village Council was called to order by Mayor Scott Jerew on May 28 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Jerew called for attendance. Council members present were Reddy Brown, Pat Morse, Donald Ridgeway, Von Beal, and Brad Plotner. Jackie Hamilton was not present. Village Administrator Monte Asher and Zoning Officer Marion Bump were present. Police Chief Jim Hill was not present. Solicitor Julie Spain was not present. Clerk and Financial Officer Sarah Sellers was not present. Reddy Brown recorded meeting minutes.

Donald Ridgeway moved and Pat Morse seconded a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from May 13, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

Von Beal moved and Reddy Brown seconded a motion to approve the warrants dated May 28 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitors:

- Kelly Jerew presented a plan to install a nice banner with pictures of Richwood Park visitors on the West side of the crusher building at the park. It is to be paid for by sponsors. Council members were agreeable to the banner proposal.

Legislation:

- None presented

Mayor's report:

- None presented

Street / Utility report read by Village Administrator Monte Asher. Bold items reported.

Police report read by Mayor Jerew. Report attached.

Zoning report by Zoning Officer, Marion Bump. Applications, permits, letters reported per submitted report. Discussed sewer smell on Blaine Avenue. Resident wont respond to contact. Von discussed zoning ordinance. Reddy discussed legal ordinance. Mayor Jerew to contact Health Dept Jason Orcena.

Finance report Report attached but not discussed.

Old Business:

- Council discussed blighted homes to consider law changes to enforce penalties. Mayor Jerew mentioned that a local meeting with the Solicitor was needed. Von Beal submitted an example of how another Ohio city has a program that registers vacant homes and penalizes those that are not compliant with the law. Mayor Jerew mentioned that a water bill for vacant homes was another option along with the registration.

- Reddy Brown presented an update on the Opera House project. Brown discussed that the committee recommends that the Opera House be put up for sale, with deed restrictions. Brown informed of 7 restrictions from the committee. Von Beal added a few restrictions. After discussion, Council asked that Brown go to Preservation Ohio and Village Solicitor to:
 1. Bring back recommended restrictions.
 2. Report whether the Village has to have the property appraised.
 3. Report whether the Village has to advertise an asking price.
- Reddy Brown informed that the committee recommends that Council proceed to approve the 2022 grant application that is on hold at the State of Ohio OFCC to make the building more attractive to potential buyers. Council asked that the grant not be moved on at this time.

New Business:

- None discussed.

Von Beal moved and Pat Morse seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting is Monday, June 10, 2024 at 7pm.

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) House on Blaine Ave. Health Department called, sewer backing up from house.
- 3) lost commination from tower to plant. Running by hand. **Artesian Looking at it today. Snaped communication wire. Will be fixed Wednesday.**
- 4) **Starting interviews for part time park.**
- 5) **Mosquito sprayer needs part, parts are in and installed**
- 6) Hydrent class on 5-15-24 Eric and Tim Attended. **complete**
- 7) see updated project report attached

Village of Richwood

Planned Projects for 2023

Date June 10th 2024

- 1) New Water Plant **preconstruction meeting set for)6-12**
- 2) SRTF 47 sidewalk **Starts in July**
- 3) New Well waiting on EPA for test drills
- 4) Sewer Plant Up Grade Bidding 2025
- 5) Franklin Street Phase 3 **37 at Bomford to Gill St. closed**
- 6) Electric to be ran to shelter house # 3 Eubanks Electric will be performing the electric. Starting this Friday
- 7) Shelter house Lynn St parking found contractor to install.
- 8) Uptown parking lot. Access is working with union county for grant
- 9) North Franklin Street Phase #4 Starts in 2025

Richwood Police Department/Council Report 06/10/2024

- **Cody Martindale submitted his resignation effective today. The Richwood Police Department thanks Cody for his dedication and service to the agency for the past 10 years as a part-time police officer, and wish him the best of luck going forward.**
- **Shawn Beckley began his first shift today and will be in training with Lt. Baldwin.**
- **The police department has been performing significant increased patrol on Pearl St and adjoining side streets that are affected by the S. Franklin Street road closure.**

Village of Richwood
Finance Report: 06/10/2024

- Payroll biweekly/monthly 06/07/2024; monthly June 06/21)
- All withholdings, Taxes - Federal, School and State. Retirement - OPERS and OP&F are paid and current
- Working on 2018 and 2019 audit (on-going)
- State audit for 2022 and 2023 will start in June (waiting for accountant)
- **Thank you to Monte and Eric for filling in for me**

Star Ohio: May interest: \$8,411.43 YTD interest: \$39,739.07 Rate: 5.45%

Bulk Water: May \$2,659 YTD revenue: \$3,009.00