

## REGULAR MEETING

April 9, 2024

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 Beth Hawn, Chris Hale, Brad Sams, Mischelle Davis and Attorney for the Village, Scott Garwood, was also present. Others present included Marcia Maynard, Bill Voudrie, Dave Boyd, Mark Thomas and Ramiro Estrada.

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

Attorney Garwood presented Special Use Permit Ordinance #2024-01 relating to property owned by Mark Thomas and located at 115 N. Macon Street. Thomas has requested permission to construct a 700 square foot living space in the garage that is zoned Central Business. Dwelling units are allowable by Special Use in the Central Business zone. The Zoning Board of Appeals voted unanimously to grant the Special Use for a term of three years at which time the property will revert to the previous state. Whitney made the motion to approve Special Use Ordinance #2024-01, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. Abstain: Kaufman.

Attorney Garwood presented Ordinance #2024-02 Authorizing Disposal of Personal Property. The personal property being disposed of is items from the Moweaqua Community Center that do not suit the needs of the Village such as stove and griddle, holiday décor, dishes etc. Whitney made the motion to approve Ordinance #2024-02 Authorizing Disposal of Personal Property, Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Water and Sewer Committee Chairman Roger Cox presented a Proposal from Bingham Professional Services for assistance with updates to the Village's Source Water Protection Plan. Source Water Protection plans have been required by the IEPA since the 1990's. In 2018 the IEPA began to enforce the Community Water Supplies to take a more active approach in protecting valuable water assets. The Village of Moweaqua receives raw water from wells located in the Macon-Christian County Strip Aquifer. The Village's Source Water Protection Plan in conjunction with neighboring Community Water Supplies shall focus on protecting this Aquifer. Bingham Professional Services is pleased to help prepare and assist the Village with the Source Water Protection Plan. Cox made the motion to approve the Proposal for Services from Bingham Professional Services regarding the Source Water Protection Plan, Snyder seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin presented a quote from American Legal Publishing in the amount of \$2,400.00 for updates to the Moweaqua Village Code of Ordinances. This price includes codification of all new 2022 through 2023 Ordinances. Twelve code books and the online code will be brought up to date. Snyder made the motion to approve the quote from American Legal Publishing not to exceed \$2,400.00, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Street and Alley Superintendent Brad Sams presented a quote of \$3,000.00 from Hutchins Excavating for brush pile clean up. All debris will be pushed to the West side of the burn pile. Village equipment is not sufficient to move the debris. Heavier equipment is needed. After discussion Long made the motion to approve the quote of \$3,000.00 from Hutchins Excavating for brush pile clean up, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Sams requested approval to use the remaining funds (\$4,584.00) in the fiscal year 2023-2024 "New Trees" budget to purchase boulevard and North Park trees. Long made the motion to approve using the remainder of funds (\$4,584.00) in the "New Trees" budget to purchase boulevard and North Park trees, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Police Chief Chris Hale requested approval to purchase two flock cameras and maintenance agreement. Flock Safety is a stand-alone camera and network that spots and alerts owners to plates associated with crime or unwanted behavior. The database feeds to police departments and the National Crime Information Center. After discussion Whitney made the motion to approve the purchase of two flock cameras with maintenance agreement, Snyder seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Chief Hale also requested that Council consider adding the benefit of dependent healthcare coverage for Employees who have families. After discussion, Whitney made the motion to approve an additional \$500.00 in healthcare coverage per employee for their dependent(s), Long seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Personnel Committee Chairman Jack Kaufman discussed Employee wages and compensation for the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget. After discussion Snyder made the motion to approve 4.5% raises for all employees for fiscal year 2024-2025, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to enter Executive Session regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

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

Mayor Conlin requested a motion to adjourn if there was no further business to come before Council. Whitney made the motion to adjourn, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Long, Cox, Kaufman, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

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