

REGULAR MEETING

December 13, 2022

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 Jack Kaufman, Renea Smith, Mike Snyder, Josh Whitney and Sean Hayes. Employees present were Boomer Neece, Officer Johnson, Chief Hale, Beth Hawn, Brad Sams, Mischelle Davis and Attorney for the Village, Scott Garwood was also present. Others present included Arwen Bicknell and Roger Cox.

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

Mayor Conlin explained that the new telephone company ESI requires that our phone bills be paid through Electronic Debit. Mayor Conlin stated that the Treasurer would like formal approval to pay electronically. Snyder made the motion to approve paying ESI monthly phone bills with electronic debit, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

After careful consideration it has become apparent that the Employee Health Insurance Plan that was chosen at the November Special Meeting is not a good fit for the employees. Because there were no co-pays, it would force employees to pay too much out of pocket before reaching the deductible. Mayor Conlin explained that a better option was chosen that includes co-pays and a lower deductible. After review and discussion Smith made the motion to approve providing full time employees with Health Alliance 2023 POS 1000 Gold Option 2 Health Insurance through Peterson Insurance Agency and increasing the average monthly premium allowance to \$1,010.00, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin requested that Council consider a wage increase for James Thrasher who is a full time employee but cannot utilize the employee health insurance plans. Mayor Conlin stated that she would like to see Thrasher be compensated in a way that would allow Thrasher to purchase a supplemental policy on his own. Whitney made the motion to approve a \$2.00 per hour wage increase for James Thrasher effective with the first full pay period in January 2023, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Attorney Garwood presented Ordinance #2022-11 Amending the Personnel Policy Manual Regarding Police Officers Shifts. After review and discussion Whitney made the motion to approve Ordinance #2022-11, Snyder seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Attorney Garwood presented Ordinance #2022-12 Amending the Street Sign Schedule. After review and discussion Whitney made the motion to approve Ordinance #2022-12, Smith seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Chief Hale requested approval to purchase 3 LED law enforcement safety lights for \$99.00 each. Snyder made the motion to approve purchasing 3 LED law enforcement safety lights for \$99.00 each, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Chief Hale presented a request for donation from the Central A&M FFA Chapter. After discussion Snyder made the motion to approve donating \$125.00 from each department including Administration, Police, Street & Alley and Water & Sewer, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Clerk Mischelle Davis requested approval to pay Illinois Meter Company Invoice #3035190-02 in the amount of \$642.00 and #3035699-00 in the amount of \$643.06 from ARPA funds. After discussion Snyder made the motion to approve payment of Illinois Meter Company Invoices #3035190-02 in the amount of \$642.00 and #3035699-00 in the amount of \$643.06 from ARPA funds, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Mayor Conlin requested a motion to enter Executive Session. Whitney made the motion to enter Executive Session regarding the semi-annual review and discussion of all minutes lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, Kaufman seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

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

Whitney made the motion to approve Executive Session Minutes from September 11, 2018, April 21, 2021 and June 14, 2022, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Snyder made the motion to approve making certain Executive Session Minutes public: May 10, 1994, September 30, 2014, October 14, 2014, November 13, 2014, February 23, 2017, May 9, 2017, June 6, 2017, June 9, 2017, June 13, 2017, July 11, 2017, October 10, 2017, October 17, 2017, October 23, 2017, November 28, 2017, March 18, 2018, September 11, 2018, August 13, 2019, December 18, 2019,

November 10, 2020, April 12, 2021, June 14, 2022, Whitney seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to keep certain Executive Session Minutes closed: July 31, 1991, March 5, 2018, May 14, 2019 and September 17, 2020, Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

Whitney made the motion to destroy verbatim recording of Executive Session minutes: September 11, 2018, April 12, 2021, May 4, 2021 and June 8, 2021 Hayes seconded. Council voting Yes: Kaufman, Smith, Snyder, Whitney and Hayes. No: None.

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

MAYOR

CLERK