

Andover Village  
Council Meeting  
(12 November 2024)

A meeting of the Andover Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 12 November 2024 at the Andover Village Hall, 134 Maple Street, Andover, Ohio, in accordance with the rules of notification.

IN ATTENDANCE.

VILLAGE OFFICERS

Mayor Lillian Brooke  
Village Administrator Richard Mead  
Village Fiscal Officer *Pro-Tem* Cathryn Williams  
Solicitor Christopher Newcomb  
Police Chief Christopher Baker  
Zoning Inspector Lara Reibold  
Councilmembers:     Raymond French  
                              G. Randy Gentry  
                              Margo Hornyak  
                              Alicen F. Limestoll  
                              E. Curt Williams

ABSENT

Councilmember Richard K. Orahood

VISITORS

Ryan & Erin Buie  
Matt Bush, Chief, AVFD  
Cindy Hussing  
Robert Johnson  
Barb Steel  
Warren Dillaway, *The Star Beacon*  
Corinne Schoren, *The News*

MINUTES AND REPORTS. The following minutes and reports were presented for council's review prior to the meeting.

1. Council meeting minutes for 12 October 2024
2. Bills
3. Mayor's report
4. Fiscal officer's report
5. Administrator's report
6. Police chief's report
7. Zoning inspector's report
8. Council work session minutes for 31 October 24

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

1. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and was followed by the roll call.
2. Council minutes for 8 October 2024. No corrections or changes were necessary, so the minutes were deemed approved as submitted.
3. Bills. It was moved to approve payment of the bills presented in the amount of \$57,119.20 and to allow the fiscal officer to pay additional bills which will come due in November. Motion carried.

#### VISITORS.

1. *Simply Christmas.* Barb Steel, chair of the annual *Simply Christmas* committee, handed out informational flyers and posters for the 2025 *Simply Christmas* celebration. This year the celebration will be an all-day event beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. The mayor was invited to light the Christmas tree on the town square.
2. AVFD. Matt Bush provided council with information on the number and types of calls the AVFD has responded to thus far in 2024. To date, they have answered 308 calls. Ryan Buie reported that elections took place for the AVFD officer positions. All officers remained the same with the exception of treasurer.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS. The following officers presented, reviewed, and commented upon the reports and other matters noted.

#### MAYOR

1. Mayor's report. For the month of October, the village received \$76.00 in fines from the Andover Mayor's Court.

#### POLICE

1. Award recognition. Chief Baker recognized Patrolman Robert Johnson for receiving the *Safe Communities Award* for traffic enforcement.

COMMITTEES. The following committee reported upon its deliberations and made the recommendation noted.

#### COUNCIL WORK SESSION

1. Minutes for 31 October 2024. The committee recommends that the village administrator purchase a new utility truck and trade-in old vehicles no longer in use toward the cost.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

There was no correspondence presented.

#### LEGISLATION

1. **Ordinance No. 2024-28-O**, an ordinance authorizing the purchase of a 2019 Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck from Midway Chevrolet, Inc. in the sum of \$21,000.00 for Andover Village including any necessary trade-in of old vehicles(s) and declaring an emergency. Councilmember Williams moved to declare an emergency. Councilmember Gentry seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion carried. Councilmember Williams made a motion to waive the 3 readings. Councilmember Limestol seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion carried. Councilmember Williams made a motion to act. Councilmember Limestol seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS.

1. FEMA Risk Management questionnaire. The fiscal officer received a call from a representative of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) following up on the response to the emailed questionnaire that was sent to the administrator and council president.
2. Elm Street project. Councilmember French reported that work in underway on the Elm Street bridge project. Traffic will be diverted while the project is being done.
3. Old lighthouse property. Councilmember Gentry reported that since the old lighthouse has been designated for teardown many people have reported seeing scrappers entering in and out the door. The property has been deemed both a fire and safety hazard.
4. Brightspeed Internet. Councilmember Gentry reported that Brightspeed Internet is installing fiberoptic cable and installing poles around the village. The work is slated to be complete by Thanksgiving.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS.

There was no unfinished/old business.

ADJOURNMENT. It was moved at 7:18 to adjourn. Motion carried.

  
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Village Fiscal Officer

  
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Mayor