

Andover Village
Council Meeting
(14 November 2023)

The regular meeting of the Andover Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 14 November 2023 at the Andover Village Hall, 134 Maple Street, Andover, Ohio, in accordance with the rules of notification.

IN ATTENDANCE.

VILLAGE OFFICERS

Mayor Gerald DiBell
Solicitor Richard B. Kotila
Village Administrator Richard W. Mead
Police Chief Christopher J. Baker
Zoning Inspector Lara Reibold
Councilmembers: Leo Crouch
 Raymond C. French
 G. Randy Gentry
 Margo Hornyak
 E. Curt Williams

ABSENT

Village Fiscal Officer Cathryn A. Williams
Councilmember Richard K. Orahood

VISITORS

Lillian M. Brooke, Mayor-elect
Warren Dillaway, *The Star Beacon*
Corinne Schoren, *The News*
Matt Bush
Ryan Buie
Glenn Day
Christopher M. Newcomb, incoming Andover Village Solicitor
Jeremy Shaffer, Geneva-On-the-Lake Village Administrator
Teresa Crouch
Officer Collin Fisher

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

1. Council minutes for 3 October (special meeting) and 10 October 2023
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. Finance and audit committee minutes for 31 October 2023

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9. Council work session minutes for 31 October 2023
10. Andover Union Cemetery Board minutes for 24 August 2023
11. Village calendar for December

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS.

1. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and was followed by the roll call.
2. In the absence of the fiscal officer, the mayor asked the solicitor to take minutes of the meeting.
3. Council minutes for 3 October (special meeting) and 10 October 2023. No corrections or changes were necessary, so it was moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried.
4. Bills. It was moved to approve payment of the bills presented in the amount of \$46,657.98. Motion carried.

VISITORS.

1. The Andover Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. update. Ryan Buie, the incoming AVFD president, distributed a revised firefighting agreement and reviewed the changes they suggest. He also announced the new officers for 2024, including Matt Bush as the new fire chief.

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 \$307.00 in fines from the Andover Mayor's Court.

FISCAL OFFICER

1. Fiscal officer's report. The fiscal officer could not attend tonight's meeting. The mayor noted that if any councilmembers have questions about the report, they should contact her.

ADMINISTRATOR

1. Administrator's report.

POLICE CHIEF

1. Police chief's report.
2. Safe Community Traffic Enforcement Award. Chief Baker presented the award to part-time Officer Collin Fisher. The chief noted that Officer Fisher has done a great job enforcing the traffic laws in the village.

ZONING INSPECTOR

1. Zoning inspector's report.

VILLAGE COMMITTEES. The following committees reported upon their deliberations and made the recommendations noted.

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE.

1. Finance and audit committee minutes for 31 October 2023. The committee met and discussed several items, especially the anticipated increases in the village's payroll costs. It recommended that the village plan for a new roof for the village hall and that the Ordinance Committee meet to consider changes to the water rates and sewer use ordinances as requested by the fiscal officer.

COUNCIL WORK SESSION.

1. Council work session minutes for 31 October 2023. Mr. Williams reviewed the matters discussed. The group recommended that the zoning inspector work with the solicitor to make her proposed changes to the zoning permit applications.

NON-VILLAGE COMMITTEES. The following minutes were submitted for council's review.
ANDOVER UNION CEMETERY BOARD

1. Minutes for 24 August 2023.

CORRESPONDENCE. No correspondence was presented for council's review.

LEGISLATION. The mayor read the titles of the following legislation presented for council's consideration.

No legislation was presented.

1. **Resolution No. 2023-18-R**, a resolution retaining attorney Richard B. Kotila as the Andover Village Assistant Solicitor, and establishing the duties of that position and the retainer to be paid. It was moved to accept the 3d reading. Motion carried.
2. **Ordinance No. 2023-22-O**, an ordinance to make temporary appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of Andover Village during fiscal year ending 31 December 2024, and repealing Ordinance No. 2023-5-O on 1 January 2024. It was moved to accept the 1st reading. Motion carried. It was moved to waive the 3 readings. Motion carried.
3. **Ordinance No. 2023-24-O**, an ordinance declaring that the stand-by generator, power pack for a centrifugal fire pump, the 2010 Dodge Charger, and the 2005 GMC 2500 pickup truck owned by Andover Village are surplus and not needed for any municipal purpose, authorizing the village administrator to sell the property according to the procedures established by ORC §721.15, and declaring an emergency. It was moved to accept the 1st reading. Motion carried. It was moved to waive the 3 readings and declare an emergency. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS.

1. No new business was presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

1. No unfinished business was discussed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. It was moved to enter an executive session at 7:27 p.m. to discuss personnel and imminent litigation. Motion carried. The mayor reconvened the meeting at 8:16

p.m.

ADJOURNMENT. It was moved at 8:17 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried.

Cathy Williams
Village Fiscal Officer

Paul Ditzel
Mayor