

Village of Misenheimer
Council Meeting - Community Building
Monday, February 20, 2023 6PM

Council Present: Michael “Frizbee” Herron, Mayor
Jeff Watson
Mike Burrage
Peter Edquist
Micah Edquist

Staff: Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk

Visitors: Mike Wangler, Village Resident

1. Call to Order: Mayor Herron called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Moment of Silence: Mayor Herron requested that a moment of silence be observed.

3. Ethics Statement: Anita Blair read the Ethics Statement asking if any Council members present may have any potential conflict(s) of interest or any known or perceived conflict(s) of interest related to the meeting Agenda presented. No conflicts were noted.

4. Introduction of Visitors: No visitors were present.

5. Approval 02/20/23 Council Meeting Agenda: Micah Edquist moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mike Burrage seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

6. Approval of 01/30/23 Council Meeting Minutes: Micah Edquist moved to approve the Council meeting minutes as presented. Peter Edquist seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

Mike Wangler arrived at 6:02 pm.

7. Public Comment Period: Mike Wangler, a Village resident, complained about the noise across from his house at the North Stanly Mini Storage business property. He wanted to know how much was going to be stored there and how long he would have to hear the noise from the equipment? Micah Edquist, North Stanly Mini Storage property owner, explained to him that IEA, the Misenheimer Solar, LLC contractors, leased some of his land for their materials because permitting issues had not been resolved due to wetlands for storing the materials on the solar site. They needed a temporary place to store them. The lease to IEA is six months. Mr. Wangler complained about the heavy machinery running 5 ½ hours per day along with the safety backup features making noise. He was concerned that this was going to affect his property value. Mr. Edquist stated that it was a temporary business decision. Mr. Wangler also inquired about a variance to build a stockade fence in front of his house. Village Administrator, Anita Blair, informed Mr. Wangler about the Misenheimer Solar Open House on March 1, 2023 at Pfeiffer University Stokes Student Center and encouraged him to attend and ask questions. She also stated she would contact Stanly County who handles our zoning and get the appropriate forms and answers for him regarding the fence.

Mike Wangler left at 6:24 pm.

8. Review Unaudited Financial Status at 01/31/23: Micah Edquist reported the following reconciled bank balances at 01/31/23 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 798,582
Powell Bill Fund	\$ 136,807
Carolina Thread Trail	\$ 11,022 (Grant #2) Trail Acquisition Grant (Village, Richfield & New London)

9. Review and Approve Updated Police Vehicle Financing: The Uwharrie Bank Financing Proposal for the 2023 Ford F-150 PIR Police Responder was presented to Council. The proposal consists of a 5-year tax exempt loan in the amount of \$42,500 with a fixed rate of 4.243% with payments being \$789.01. After Council inquired about the interest income rate on the money in Uwharrie Bank, they felt it was best to pay for the vehicle out of fund balance. This would result in an interest expense savings of \$4,840.33 over the life of the loan.

Peter Edquist moved to pay for the truck out of fund balance. Micah Edquist seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

10. Budget Focus/Priorities – FY 23/24: A preliminary budget discussion list was presented for review. Council discussed another budget retreat but then decided to review the list since ample time was available.

11. Police Report – January, 2023: Council members independently reviewed the Police Report in the absence of Chief McGinnis. The report reflected 18 traffic stops, 8 total charges, 10 warning citations, 0 arrests, 66 calls, 187 details and 201 security checks. There were 7 mutual aid requests from the Stanly County Sheriff’s Office and State Highway Patrol.

12. Lions Club Road Subsurface Exploration: Anita Blair reviewed the details regarding the additional subsurface exploration on Lions Club Road. Mike Burrage moved to deny the request of EDP Renewables additional subsurface exploration due to the detrimental future effects it could have on the road. Jeff Watson seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

13. Other Business: Anita Blair reviewing upcoming meetings and opportunities encouraging Council members to attend.

14. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Mayor Michael “Frizbee” Herron

Date

Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk

Date