Village of Misenheimer Council Meeting - Community Building Monday, March 11, 2024 6PM

Council Present: Michael "Frizbee" Herron, Mayor **Staff**: Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk

Jeff Watson Jamie Hammill

Council Absent: Peter Edquist

Micah Edquist

1. Call to Order: Mayor Herron called the meeting to order at 6:07 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 03/11/24 Council Meeting Agenda:** Jeff Watson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved by a 3/0 vote.
- **6. Approval of 02/12/24 Council Meeting Minutes:** Jeff Watson moved to approve the 2/12/24 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved by a 3/0 vote.
- 7. Public Comment Period: No public comments were offered.
- **8. Review Unaudited Financial Status at 02/29/24 :** Anita Blair reported the following reconciled bank balances at 02/29/24 as follows:

General Fund \$ 766,129 Powell Bill Fund \$ 88,053

The Village Administrator reviewed the accomplishments and major expenditures for the current year. They included renovating the Community Building kitchen with new cabinets and counter tops and painting the interior, the property across from Lloyd's Antiques was purchased from David and Patricia Drye to develop the Village Square, a sidewalk was installed in front of Pfeiffer University along Highway 52, the 2018 Dodge Durango was paid off, a 2023 Dodge Charger was purchased and car repairs and maintenance have slightly exceeded \$25,000 for the year.

- **9. Budget Focus/Priorities Review FY 24/25:** The personnel figures were presented reflecting a 3.3% increase along with the Stanly County Municipal Salary Survey. The North Carolina League of Municipalities Revenue Projections are not yet available and the Pfeiffer University contract needs to be settled before a preliminary draft of the budget is presented.
- **10. Village Square Contract Approval:** The final Village Square contract from Nature's Vision was presented which included the updated pricing for the increased width of sidewalks and adding pavers. Anita Blair commented that there will still be some additional costs related to the water hydrant, parking lot area and other incidentals.

Anita Blair commented that she is going to apply for the Stanly County Municipal Grant of \$10,000 but noted that the first grant applied for needs to be closed out for the Wesley Chapel RR Crossing.

Jeff Watson moved to approve the contract from Nature's Vision in the amount of \$71,791.90 Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 3/0.

11. Food Truck – Annual Permit Fee: Anita Blair reported that the Village Zoning Ordinance states that "Vendors serving more than 3 days in a calendar year, shall acquire an annual permit from the Village for a fee established by the Village Council.

Jeff Watson moved to set the annual permit fee at \$40. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 3/0.

- **12. Police Report February, 2024:** Council reviewed the Police Report from February, 2024. The report reflected 45 traffic stops, 36 total charges, 7 warnings, 3 arrests, 65 total calls, 149 details and 340 security checks. There were 4 mutual aid requests from the Stanly County Sheriff's Office.
- **13. Planning Board Appointments/Reappointments 3 year-terms:** The following Planning Board terms will be expiring on June 30, 2024:

Board Members: Ahren Burrage, Jamie Hammill

Alternates: Emily Carella-1st Alt, Seth Cain-2nd Alt, Micah Edquist-4th Alt, Michael Herron-5th Alt

Jeff Watson moved to reappoint Emily Carella moving her to the Board, reappoint Jamie Hammill to the Board, reappoint Seth Cain moving him to 1st alternate, reappoint Ahren Burrage moving him to 2nd alternate, reappoint Michael Edquist as 4th alternate and reappoint Michael Herron as 5th alternate, all for 3-year terms. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 3/0.

- **14. Website Link Request:** Intelligent.com, a web based, student-focused publication of the top 30 best colleges requested their link to be placed on the Village website. Council wanted to check with Pfeiffer University to determine if the company was paid by the universities for the rankings and if each click compensated the company. The Administrator will reach out to Pfeiffer University.
- **15. Other Business:** No other business was heard.
- **16. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Mayor Michael "Frizbee" Herron	 Date	Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk	 Date