

Village of Misenheimer
Council Meeting - Community Building
Tuesday, November 12, 2024 6PM

Council Present: Michael “Frizbee” Herron, Mayor
Jeff Watson
Jamie Hammill
Peter Edquist
Micah Edquist, Mayor Pro-Tem

Staff: Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk
Markus Lambert, Interim Police Chief

Visitors: Tony Brewer, Auditor

Council Absent: None

1. Call to Order: Mayor Herron called the meeting to order at 6:01 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: Mayor Herron introduced the Village Auditor, Tony Brewer.

5. Approval 11/12/24 Council Meeting Agenda: Micah Edquist moved to approve the agenda as presented. Jeff Watson seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

6. Approval of 10/14/24 Council Meeting Minutes: Micah Edquist moved to approve the 10/14/24 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Peter Edquist seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

7. Public comment Period: No public comments were heard.

8. Audit Report Presentation & Acceptance – Tony Brewer, CPA, PC: Tony Brewer reported that the Village received an unqualified (clean) opinion. The net change in fund balance for fiscal year 23/24 was \$(186,168). The decrease was due to expenses related to the property acquisition at the Village Square, Village Square development, renovating the Community Building, installation of a sidewalk at Pfeiffer University, the purchase of a new police vehicle, repairs on the current aging fleet and increased fuel costs.

Auditors are responsible to report on Performance Indicators. The Performance Indicators relate to the numbers and operations. There were no Performance Indicators of concern.

The unreserved fund balance for a municipality the size of Misenheimer is 132%, the minimum average is 71%, Misenheimer’s unreserved fund balance was 103% for fiscal year 23/24. Reserves fluctuate depending on the amount of money spent.

Mr. Brewer stated that every small municipality has internal control and segregation of duty issues. This is inherent with a one person staff. Mitigating factors are put into place for this reason such as dual signature requirements on checks, Council member review and sign off on bank reconciliations etc. The Village has mitigating operational factors in place.

Micah Edquist moved to accept the audit as presented. Jamie Hamill seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

9. Review Unaudited Financial Status at 10/31/24 : Micah Edquist reported the following reconciled bank balances at 10/31/24 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 695,257
Powell Bill Fund	\$ 11,966

10. Western North Carolina Disaster Relief – Rescind Motion: It was determined that a donation to the Western North Carolina Disaster Relief was not an allowable expenditure. Micah Edquist rescinded his motion from 10/14/24 to donate \$500 toward the Western North Carolina Disaster Relief through the Civic Local Foundation. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

11. Health Insurance Renewal – BCBS: Comparisons were presented keeping the current BCBS grandfathered plan along with two other alternate Affordable Care Act (ACA) Plans. The grandfathered plan imposed a 17.9% increase while the first ACA comparison with the same deductibles and comparable benefits was an increase of 52.2%. The ACA plan with increased deductibles was a 28.8% increase.

Micah Edquist moved to keep the BCBS grandfathered plan presented. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

12. Resolution of Intent to Amend the Charter to Adopt a Council-Manager Form of Government: A copy of the proposed resolution was given to each Council member for their review. Micah Edquist moved to approved the resolution presented. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

13. Police Report –October, 2024: Interim Chief Lambert reported the police activity for October, 2024. There were 5 traffic stops, 5 warnings, 58 security checks, 0 arrests, and 80 total calls .

Expenditure Requests – Shed for Gator, Desktop Computer – Interim Chief Lambert presented a quote of \$5,736.22 for the proposed shed for the John Deere Gator. He also requested funding for a desktop computer for his office. At the meeting, the Administrator’s computer experienced problems.

Micah Edquist moved to purchase the shed presented and two computers at the discretion of the Chief and Administrator. Jeff Watson seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

14. Other Business: No other business was heard.

15. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Mayor Michael “Frizbee” Herron

Date

Anita Blair, Administrator/Clerk

Date