# Village of Misenheimer Council Meeting - Community Building Monday, March 3, 2025 6PM

Markus Lambert, Police Chief

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

Jeff Watson Jamie Hammill Peter Edquist Jon Byers

Council Absent: None

**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 of 03/03/25 Council Meeting Agenda:** Jeff Watson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.

- **6. Approval of 02/10/25 Council Meeting Minutes:** Jeff Watson moved to approve the 02/10/25 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved by a 5/0 vote.
- 7. Public Comment Period: No public comments were offered.
- **8. Review Unaudited Financial Status at 02/28/25 :** Anita Blair reported the following reconciled bank balances at 02/28/25 as follows:

General Fund \$ 448,590 Certificate of Deposit \$ 250,000 Powell Bill Fund \$ 16,898

**FY 24/25 Budget Amendment**: A budget amendment to increase Police-Other Income for \$9,875 from the sale of two vehicles, and to increase Public Safety- Capital Outlay \$6,000, Technology \$1,050, Supplies \$1,500, and Auto Expense \$1,325 was presented.

Peter Edquist moved to approve the budget amendment as presented. Jeff Watson seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

- **9. Police Report February 28, 2025:** Chief Lambert reported 15 traffic stops, 15 warning citations, 3 alarms, 213 security checks, 1 suspicious activity, 7 investigations, 1 traffic accident and 276 total calls.
- **10.** Personnel Policy Procedure Standard Work Schedule for Non-Exempt Sworn Police: A procedure for a "Standard Work Schedule for Non-Exempt Sworn Police" defining the work schedule as 168 hours in a 28-day cycle was presented to define Section 3.10 Hours of Work in the Personnel Policy.

Jamie Hammill moved to approve the Standard Work Schedule for Non-Exempt Sworn Police Procedure. Jon Byers seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

- **11.** Resolution Adopting the Cabarrus Stanly Union Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan: A "Resolution Adopting the Cabarrus Stanly Union Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan" was presented. Peter Edquist moved to approve the resolution. Jon Byers seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.
- **12. Food Truck License Agreement & Annual Permit Fee Amendment:** Peter Edquist moved to reduce the Monthly License Fee to \$50 and to reduce the Annual Permit Fee to \$25. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.
- 13. Other Business: The Gladstone Academy was recommended by the NC National Registry Advisory Committee on 2/13/25 as eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The nomination was forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register at the United Sates Department of the Interior's National Park Service (NPS). The Keeper's office has 45 days to review the nomination and either list the property in the NRHP, return for revisions or determine the property is not eligible.

Mayor Herron called for a recess.

**14.** Budget Focus/Priorities – FY 25/26: Council reviewed the list of proposed budget items and would like to consider the following in the upcoming budget.

#### **REVENUE**

Consider a property tax increase of 5 cents to 27 cents per \$100 valuation. Propose a multi-year police services contract with Pfeiffer University

## **EXPENDITURES**

#### **PERSONNEL**

No COLA increase due to two increases last year in pursuit of additional personnel. Consider merit raises (develop benchmarks and reward top achievers)

Continue with 401K-5%, 100% paid insurance, and \$500 Christmas Bonus

Consider certification increases – one time, once achieved

# **CLASSES**

Council – New Elected Officials Chief – TBD Manager - TBD

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT NEEDS/WANTS**

Patrol Rifles
In-car radio for Chief
Quarterly team meetings with food

#### **VILLAGE OFFICE**

Laser Printer High Speed Document Scanner Shredder

## **EVENTS & CITIZEN OUTREACH**

National Night Out – Police Event with an Emergency Preparedness Giveaway Bag Recognition for Former Mayors

## **ADVERTISING & PROMO ITEMS FOR EVENTS**

## **VILLAGE SQUARE**

Water Fountain

**Book Exchange** 

Village Square Signage or Decorative Flags

Address Plaque

**Christmas Decorations** 

Gravel

Mulch

Maintenance

Lights on columns at Christmas

# **GLADSTONE (25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY IS JUNE 26, 2028)**

Potential National Historic Signage

#### **LIONS CLUB ROAD**

Gravel

A rough estimate of \$8000 was obtained for next year's budget to fully repair potholes in addition to adding gravel. Since \$6000 was already budgeted for the current fiscal year, Council wanted to move forward with the repair this year.

Jeff Watson moved to add \$2000 to the current year's budget to fully repair and fix the potholes on Lions Club Road. Jamie Hammill seconded the motion and it was approved 5/0.

#### **NUISANCE PROPERTIES**

Council would like to pursue the next steps with the County Zoning for enforcement on the identified properties.

## **SEWER**

Look into grants including those for the elder population.

15. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

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