

# **VILLAGE OF ALEXANDRIA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES –**

**FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

Mayor Sean Barnes called to order the Village of Alexandria Regular Council Meeting of February 18, 2025, at 7:02 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Council Members Present:** Jeff Baer, Sarah Chambers, Herb Lower, Cari Meng, Mike Miller & Lyle Simpson

**Village Representation Present** - Mayor Sean Barnes. Solicitor David Ball, Fiscal Officer Carol Gissinger, Village Zoning Inspector Jacob Brooks, Village Administrator Kendra Borrer & Police Chief Dan Bunting

**Citizens Present:** Mitch Peters

## **Minutes from Regular Council Meeting 2-4-2025**

Jeff Baer made a motion, seconded by Cari Meng, to approve the 2-4- 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried.

**Public Hearings/Communications-** None

## **Legislation-**

**ORDINANCE No. 2025-03 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN WATER RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE DIVISION OF WATER, VILLAGE OF ALEXANDRIA, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, TO VILLAGE AND TOWNSHIP WATER CUSTOMERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Jeff Baer made a motion. Mike Miller seconded the motion, to table vote for **ORDINANCE No. 2025-03** for further clarification, until next regular meeting on March 4, 2025. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND CREATING THE WAGE AND SALARY RANGES, THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AND POSITIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ALEXANDRIA AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Mike Miller made a motion; seconded by Jeff Baer, to suspend the readings of **ORDINANCE NO.2025-04**. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried.

Cari Meng made a motion, seconded by Sarah Chambers to pass **ORDINANCE NO 2025-04**. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried. The chair declared the motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-05 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2025 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF ALEXANDRIA, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO DO SO**

Jeff Baer made a motion; seconded by Cari Meng, to suspend the readings of **ORDINANCE NO.2025-05**. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried.

Jeff Baer made a motion, seconded by Herb Lower to pass **ORDINANCE NO 2025-05**. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried. The chair declared the motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TRACY VAN WINKLE TO SERVE AS MAGISTRATE FOR THE MAYOR'S COURT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Cari Meng made a motion; seconded by Mike Miller, to suspend the readings of **RESOLUTION NO.2025-04**. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried.

Jeff Baer made a motion, seconded by Mike Miller to pass **RESOLUTION NO 2025-04**. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the motion carried. The chair declared the motion carried.

**Committee Reports-**

- **Finance Committee** – Carol Gissinger spoke on behalf of Mike Miller on update of revenue and appropriations. This reflects all the changes discussed at last council meeting not including the cost for IT. Looking at having final appropriations ready for approval at 3/4/25 meeting.
- **Public Safety-** Cari Meng reported that Jim Jasper checked the reported road concern brought up at the last meeting and stated that it looks to be repairable by ODOT sealing or paving. Jacob Brooks looked into it as well and will continue to monitor.

Police Chief Dan Bunting update on safety- discussed increase in hours for police officers.

Chief Bunting did a Special Duty Day for Granville for 8 hours at Thornwood Crossing & 16 due to pavement failure. ODOT reported it should be repaired and open by Thursday 2/20/2025.

Identity theft case is currently being worked.

Speed limit radar signs are being moved to various locations throughout the village for speed radar coverage possible.

- **Service-Baer** – Jeff Baer addressed the resident concern of the road that was addressed by the safety committee. Sean read Jim's maintenance schedule and report.

Mayor Barnes addressed concerns with salt for the roads and what vehicle to use, potentially the older township truck. Mike Miller discussed repairs. Needs a battery, brakes, and potential other parts. Would need to get a spreader for the back. St Albans township offered the Village their extra bulk salt.

Jacob Brooks sent contact out for crack seal.

**Old Business**

Kendra Borrer provided council with IT quotes from Buckeye Cloud (\$3890.00) and AlphaLink (\$4165.00) to review. Kendra reviewed with council what she discussed and timelines in working with IT. Kendra further discussed the topic of anti-virus concerns. The Village's current anti-virus is due to expire soon and instead of purchasing additional software, Buckeye Cloud quoted updating the Village to Windows 11 and Microsoft 365 suite which comes with its own Microsoft Defender at no additional cost. Council discussed both quotes which and were satisfied with the proposal quoted by Buckeye Cloud. David Ball will draft a Resolution for approval to contract with Buckeye Cloud for IT services for initial networking. Quoted one time cost of \$3890.00 with an amount not to exceed \$8000.

Kendra Borrer updated that the Village now has 14 HP laptops total and would like to issue them after setup to Village Council members, Mayor, and staff. She will need to know how many council members and staff are in need of laptops. In addition, Kendra will be getting with those individuals to determine who has keys and codes to the building and will set those without with keys and door code to office. In doing this Kendra will be creating a village asset management log to track where assets are that will need to be signed when someone receives items such as keys or a laptop.

David Ball updated that Income tax ballot language was accepted by BOE

**New Business- None**

**Citizen Comments (3-minute time limit)**

- Mitch Peters – updated that comprehensive plan land use map is about done.

**Meeting Announcements**

Planning Commission Meeting, Feb 19, 2025 at 5:30pm  
Regular Council Meeting March 4, 2025 at 7pm.

**Adjournment**

Jeff Baer made a motion, seconded by Mike Miller to adjourn the council meeting. All voted in favor and the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, (February 4, 2025)

Kendra Borrer, Village Administrator

Certified Sean Barnes

Sean Barnes, Mayor/Chairperson

Date 3/4/25

