

COUNCIL CAUCUS MINUTES

Monday, July 1, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

Mayfield Village Civic Hall-Mayfield Village Civic Center
6622 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, Ohio

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Caucus Session in Mayfield Village Civic Hall at the Mayfield Village Civic Center on Monday, July 1, 2024. Council President Schutt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Arndt, Mr. Marquardt, Mr. Meyers,
Mr. Murphy, Mr. Schutt and Mr. Williams

Also Present: Mayor Bodnar, Ms. Rich, Ms. Weber,
Mr. Cappello, Chief Carcioppolo, Chief Matias,
Mr. McAvinew, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Russell, Mr. Stupczy,
Ms. Wolgamuth and Mrs. Betsa

Absent: Mrs. Jurcisek

Council President Schutt stated, please let the record reflect that Councilwoman Jennifer Jurcisek is excused from this evening's meeting.

MAYOR

Thank you Council President. Just a few things. I just wanted to wish everybody a happy Independence Day. I hope everybody has a safe and fun holiday this coming week. Also, speaking of safety, I wanted to thank Shane, the Police Department, the Fire Department and the Service Department for a safe and wonderful evening last night with the concert and the fireworks. I know everybody's concerned about safety. It was a very safe environment last night. Thank you Shane and Rec Department for providing us with some great entertainment and great fireworks. I appreciate that. I am looking forward to this holiday weekend.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you Mayor.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

I would just like to echo the Mayor's comments on the activities that went on yesterday. Thanks to everyone involved from the Parks and Recreation, Service, Police and Fire Departments. Everyone did a great job. Thank you.

Happy Birthday to Mr. Michalko. His birthday is on July 8th. You share your birthday with Mr. Russell, also on July 8th. Happy Birthday to Chief Matias on July 17th. Last but not least, Happy Birthday to Councilman Denny Murphy on July 28th.

The next Regular Meeting of Council is scheduled for Monday, July 15th in this room at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION
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1) Street Striping – 2024 (Engineer)

Mr. Cappello reported, we are going out to get some proposals as we have done in the past for the street striping for this year. We don't have to go out to bid because the contract is usually under \$40,000. We will just get proposals and supply them to Council.

Council President Schutt asked, any questions for Mr. Cappello?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mr. Cappello.

2) 2025 Alternative Tax Budget Legislation (Finance)

Ms. Rich reported, for the next Council meeting, I will be bringing the Alternative Tax Budget for 2025 to Council. This is an annual requirement from the State of Ohio. We have to file this with the Budget Commission by July 19th. The primary purpose of this is to show that we need the property taxes we levy for the 2025 budget.

Council President Schutt asked, any questions?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Ms. Rich.

3) Ambulance Replacement (Horton Ambulance \$373,313.00) (Fire)

4) Purchase of Cot (Stryker \$34,535.82) (Fire)

Chief Carcioppolo stated, thank you Council President. Along with the letter I sent, basically after getting final pricing and talking to Stryker, because the lead time on the ambulance is so long, they

can't hold the price for the cot that long. We only currently have two cots so if one breaks, we don't have a back-up, so if we separated the two items and purchased the cot now we could take delivery of that immediately and start using it. If we put the order in for the ambulance, it will take 730-765 days. That's why we changed it up a little bit because of the lead time. The other person I asked for a quote on an ambulance e-mailed me a prompt quote today from two and a half months ago. They are 3 years out. They were more money. It's easier to stick with Horton because they are close and it's all set up so we can just go this route. Any questions regarding the ambulance or the cot?

Council President Schutt stated, although Chief already talked about it, the purchase of the cot from Stryker will \$34,535.82. Any questions?

Mr. Meyers asked, is it going to be two years old when we get it? Or is it going to be brand new? If they are going to take two years to build it, is it going to be 2 years old?

Chief Carcioppolo replied, no, it's going to be brand new. We are reserving a chassis.

Mr. Meyers asked, is the chassis going to be built in two years?

Chief Carcioppolo yes, they get fleet chassis' every year. They are all spoken for. We are getting in line to receive one.

Mr. Meyers asked, we are not going to get a 2024 in 2026?

Chief Carcioppolo replied, I don't know. It's going to be new whatever it is. We will take whatever we can get at this point because we are trying to replace the 2023 ambulance because it's falling apart. I hope it's a 2026, but until we get it and open the door and look and see I don't know for sure. I don't want to speak out of turn.

Mr. Meyers stated, just asking.

Chief Carcioppolo stated, I can't promise it's going to be a 2026 or 2027, but it will be new and it will be from Horton.

Council President Schutt asked, any other questions on the ambulance or cot?

There were none.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Council President Schutt asked, are there any other matters to come before Council this evening?

Mr. Murphy stated, one item. The Mayfield Union Cemetery Committee met today. This is the cemetery across from Austin's. The Committee is comprised of a joint committee with Mayfield Village, Mayfield Heights and Highland Heights. We have had multiple meetings already in the year, but the three representatives from each municipality along with each respective Mayor were in attendance today.

We have received numerous calls on the state of the cemetery with the headstones and the monuments falling over or crooked. It's time to do something about. As a sidenote, each municipality has been paying only \$1,000 per year for a number of years. It has caught up to us.

At the end of last year, we requested quotes from Milano Monuments and Johns-Carabelli. Johns-Carabelli were going to require a big crane going through that cemetery which most people know it's not very big and probably not cost-effective, so they did not give us a quote. We requested a quote from another place and did not receive it.

All in all, the proposal from Milano Monuments was reasonable for everyone at the meeting. Long story short, there's a couple of different options. We are looking at about \$100,000 to repair over 140 monuments. Shared between the three municipalities, there are multiple options. We could pay it all in one or pay over three years. We could also pay the \$15,000 per year and they will get done whatever they can with that \$15,000.

What we are suggesting as a Committee is splitting it up over three years. Each municipality would then owe for 2024, 2025 and 2026, \$12,620 per year. That will get us caught up with the listed monuments. At that point we will need to readjust how much annual dues will be going forward. We haven't set money aside for perpetual care of the cemetery and will need to do that. Legislation will be introduced at the next meeting for this expenditure. The first year, the amount due will be \$11,620 since the communities already paid. Any questions? We talked about different ways of doing it. We have received a fair share of calls. It looks pretty dilapidated. We have done multiple walk-throughs with Milano and the Service Department. We all think this is the best course of action. The other municipalities are also on board.

Thank you for your time.

Council President Schutt stated, thanks Denny. I agree. It makes sense. Any other matters to come before Council this evening?

There were none.

There being no further matters, the meeting concluded at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Betsa, MMC, Clerk of Council