Village of North Fairfield Finance Committee Meeting August 19, 2024

The Village of North Fairfield Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Monday August 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at 3 East Main Street, North Fairfield, Ohio.

Roll Call: Cody Hacker, present; Sharleen Coy, present; Trevor Arnold, absent; Jeremy Antill, present; Adam Rouse, present; Joshua Radeliffe, present; Village Solicitor, Village Administrator, Tom Leto, present; Mayor, Casey Hacker, present; Fiscal Officer, Shellie Cherry, present.

Motion to Excuse Officials not in Attendance:

Joshua Radcliffe made a motion to excuse <u>Trevor Arnold</u> from tonight's meeting. Cody Hacker seconded the motion. Roll call: Cody Hacker, aye; Sharleen Coy, aye; Jeremy Antill, aye; Joshua Radcliffe, aye; Adam Rouse, aye. All Ayes, **motion carried.**

Committee of Council:

Finance/Audit Committee:

- > Purchase and Procurement Policy
 - -This policy will give us guidance on purchasing.
 - -In pervious times of emergency, the mayor and council president get together with the administrator and the confirm with the fiscal officer that the funds are available. Then the decision can be made and inform council later.
 - -Joshua Radcliffe would like to see an emergent necessity in the body of the draft. Something like.... If deemed an immediate emergency necessity by the Mayor, Village Administrator and Fiscal Officer then action can be taken up to "\$10,000.00" with council president and mayor signing off pending approval that funds are there. Then proceed with the draft in front of us.
 - -Jeremy Antill feels with the size of our town, we do not need any more extra legislation.
 - -Sharleen Coy feel that we don't have anything in town. She knows we are to get two quotes, but she does not want to tick off Minniear and Simmons with having such a good relationship with him.
 - -Council can make a motion to have a certain contractor complete the work. We would be awarding the best bid not always the lowest.
 - -Still needs fine tuning
- ➤ Water Rates The fiscal officer gave all council members the area water fees for 2024. She also advised to not only increase the rates but it would be best for the village to start billing monthly.
 - -Jeremy Antill does not feel we should have bought new meters or upgraded the reading devise. He is not happy the way the money is spent.
 - -The area average for 2,000 gallons is \$27.76 a month. Joshua Radcliffe asked how much it would cost for the billing if we went monthly. The fiscal officer will look into it. We would have to redo our working on the bill. I like what New London puts on their bills. They do not send out a delinquency or shut offs.
 - -Jeremy Antill still thinks it is to much money for this town.
 - -We can only build up the money to install new lines, if we increase the water rates.
 - -We are reaching the end of the life spend on equipment.

Adjournment: Adam Rouse made a motion for adjournment. Sharleen Coy seconded the motion. Council voted, all ayes; motion carried at 7:05 p.m.

**Next Meeting is on September 9, 2024 at 6 p.m. **

Approved and adopted by the Council of the Village of North Fairfield 50,2024

Casey Hacker, Mayor

Shellie Cherry, Fiscal Officer