

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COUNCIL OF WAITE HILL, OHIO**

**October 9, 2023**

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall at 8:05 a.m. on Monday, October 9, 2023, with acting Mayor Ryan Cox presiding. The following members of Council were present:

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| Ryan Cox      | Brian Doty     |
| Abby Hiltzley | Karl Scheucher |

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Robbi Laps, Law Director Stephen L. Byron, Police Chief Carl Dondorfer, and Service Director Bob Haynik.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 11 2023, were previously distributed to Council. It was noted Kevin Gale's (Ancora) attendance of the September meeting was not entered into the Minutes, which have since been amended and distributed to Council. Mr. Doty moved to approve the minutes, which motion was seconded by Ms. Hiltzley. Mr. Scheucher chose to abstain from voting as he did not attend the September meeting, since there weren't enough votes for a quorum, no official vote was taken to approve the Minutes as initially distributed and the matter has been tabled until the November regular Council meeting.

Roll Call:    Yeas:    Cox, Doty, Hiltzley  
                  Nays:    None  
                  Abstain: Scheucher

After discussion, the minutes were tabled and will be brought to the November council meeting for approval.

**Resolution No. 2023-13** - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Mr. Scheucher moved that said Resolution be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Doty.

Roll Call:    Yeas:    Cox, Doty, Hiltzley, Scheucher,  
                  Nays:    None

Motion carried  
Resolution No. 2023-13 adopted

**Ordinance No. 2023-10** - "An Ordinance amending the annual appropriation Ordinance of the Village of Waite Hill to change certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, repealing certain Ordinances and declaring an emergency" was read for the first time. The three-reading rule, the suspension of which requires the affirmative vote of five members of council, prevented action from being taken on the ordinance. The matter will be placed on second reading at the November meeting.

In the absence of Ms. Merritt, it was noted by acting Mayor Cox that the Village's Halloween Party is scheduled for October 21, 2023.

Mr. Scheucher's Finance Committee report is appended hereto and incorporated in these minutes by reference.

Ms. Hiltzley reported that the Planning and Zoning Committee meeting lasted for two (2) hours. A screened porch enclosure was approved for a residence on Waite Hill Road. An addition to a residence on Strumbly Glen needed to be revised, so it was not approved this month. The chimney caps and limewash of a house on Rollin Road were approved, but more landscaping needed to be designed and installed so the revised project will be presented at a future meeting. The entry columns for a residence on Hobart Road were approved. A pool was approved for a house on Reserve Drive, but the proposed poolhouse needed to be modified before it could be approved. A shed on Rollin Road was approved. Finally, the house on Hobart Road that has its playground equipment in the front yard may need to seek a variance. If a variance is granted, the Board of Zoning Appeals may require additional screening and a darker color to make the equipment less visible from the street.

In the absence of Mr. Knezevic, Chief Dondorfer noted that it had been a steady month. A domestic dispute was reported. There was discussion regarding the Kirtland Country Club skeet shooting on the weekend. There were fireworks being ignited by a minor in the Village and stopped by the police department. The Village-owned fences are being repaired.

In the absence of Ms. Merritt, Service Director Haynik noted that his department is looking for pricing for a departmental truck for 2024. The Halloween party preparations are ongoing. Guardrail fencing replacements are occurring.

There being no further matters before Council, Mr. Doty moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Mr. Scheucher.

Roll Call:      Yeas:    Cox, Doty, Hiltzley, Scheucher  
                     Nays:    None

Motion carried  
Meeting adjourned at 8:51 a.m.

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Ryan Cox, Acting Mayor

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

## Robbi Laps, Clerk-Treasurer

## Finance Committee Report – October 9, 2023, Meeting

The Committee executed its standard agenda approving the September meeting minutes.

2<sup>nd</sup> half property tax reimbursements occurred in the amount of \$64,262. This concludes property tax revenue intake for 2023. 2023 property tax plus reimbursements total \$1,108,081. September 2022 YTD property tax plus reimbursements was \$1,106,904, an increase of only \$1,177 year over year.

2023 YTD Local Government Fund stands at \$133,120, \$2,434 ahead of 2022 for September.

2023 YTD interest income is \$108,354 reflecting a realized loss for the month of \$9,790 now running behind September 2022 in the amount of \$5,328.

2023 YTD expenses total \$1,279,086. This is \$144,877 more than the corresponding YTD expense amount in 2022 which was \$1,134,209.

Regarding total funds, balances ending September vs. August were lower, changing by \$(41,580). Balance ending September 2023 was lower than September 2022, changing by \$(410,133). Total fund trajectory estimates show September 2018 calculated to be \$10,389,503 vs. September 2028 projected to be \$8,363,797, a decline of \$2,025,706 over 10 years, said decline averaging \$202,571 per year, an average decline rate that remains at -2.42% per year. The trajectories are flattening a bit predicting a lower deficit rate going forward (for the moment).

As of September 30, 2023, funds are allocated as follows:

\$30,461 in the checking account

\$26,836 in the money market account

\$743,886 in Star Ohio account, 8% of funds, a notable increase month over month

\$8,465,992 invested in bonds, 92% of funds

Fund balances were as follows:

|                          | AUG 23           | SEP 23           | Change          |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| GENERAL                  | 2,430,334        | 2,435,244        | (4,910)         |
| STREET MAIN              | 807,479          | 803,991          | 3,488           |
| MAIN LICENSE             | 8,455            | 7,897            | 559             |
| CAPITAL                  | 5,899,544        | 5,904,544        | (5,000)         |
| POLICE PENSION           | 31,039           | 39,112           | (8,073)         |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT          | 560              | 560              | 0               |
| DRUG FINES               | 150              | 150              | 0               |
| POL.PROF.TRNG.           | 84               | 84               | 0               |
| NOPEC                    | 1,211            | 1,211            | 0               |
| AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT | 47,852           | 47,852           | 0               |
| POL,FIRE,EMS,SERV        | 40,467           | 68,110           | (27,643)        |
| Totals                   | <u>9,267,175</u> | <u>9,308,755</u> | <u>(41,580)</u> |

Star Ohio annualized yield as of 10/5/2023 was 5.68% with average days to maturity of 45.8 (longevity is increasing a few days every month).

*Waite Hill Village*



End of October Report

Respectfully submitted,

Karl Scheucher

Waite Hill Council, Finance Committee Chairperson

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