

COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN

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Roll call showed the following members present for the meeting on this date at 6:55 p.m. Larger, Condon, Burnell, Elshoff and Wuebker. Lomakin was excused with a motion by Larger. Second by Burnell. Also, present were Solicitor This, Mayor Parker, Chief Skinner, Village Administrator Richter and Fiscal Officer Speelman.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Condon.

Visitors attending were Erin Gardner from The Daily Standard, Dennis Dicke, Dave Maurer, Genevieve Conradi, Larry Tangeman from New Bremen Historical Society and Amanda Hurley.

Minutes from the November 13, 2023 regular meeting were approved. Motion by Elshoff. Second by Condon. Four ayes. Wuebker abstained.

Larger reported total expenditures for November in the amount of \$1,675,455.27 and total receipts for October were \$1,420,611.16; noted Finance committee reviewed bank reconciliations for October. Motion by Larger. Second by Wuebker. Five ayes.

Lomakin arrived at 7:00pm.

Mayor Parker's Report:

- Christmas Tree Lighting was held tonight at 6:30pm.

Village Administrator Richter Report:

- Possible grant opportunity for dredging Lagoon #2 at Waste Water Treatment Plant. Submitted the application on November 28.
- AES Ohio will begin on the upgrade to distribution line from Amsterdam to St Mary's on December 1.

Members of New Bremen Historical Society requested to place a marker near the water tower on Amsterdam Rd to commemorate the town of Amsterdam. Council requested the marker be placed in a visible spot near the canal path or tower. No cost to the village for the marker but will help the Historical Society with the installation. Roll call to accept a marker from New Bremen Historical to be placed near the water tower to commemorate the town of Amsterdam. Six ayes.

First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-28 Solicitor Jason This contract for January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2025 at an annual cost of \$20,000.

Brent and Amy working on budget for 2024. Will have numbers to share at next meeting.

First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-39 2024 Appropriations.

First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-30 2024 Wage increase of 3%

First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-31 Authorize sale of personal property on GovDeals.com for 2024.

The county approached the village to join Western Ohio Rural Planning Organization (WORPA). This is a voluntary association with representatives of state and local government interested in understanding and addressing needs of the region. No cost to join.

Burnell made a motion to suspend the rule. Second by Condon. Six ayes. Declaring Emergency Resolution 2023-11-16 To join WORPA. Motion by Elshoff. Second by Wuebker. Six ayes.

KPW Investments LTD in Bunker Hill is requesting a setback variance of 75 feet to 55 feet for constructing additional office space.

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First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-25 Setback variance KPW Investments LTD Lot 4A Bunker Hill, Parcel Parcel C10-400-006-00.

Angela King is requesting conditional use for property at 104 Franklin St. to conduct the business of veterinary office. Currently zoned as an R-2. She is a large animal vet and travels to farms, does not expect to receive customers at the residence.

First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-26 Conditional Use for property at 104 Franklin St.

Crown Equipment requests to amend zoning map to establish R-2 zoning on Lots 14 and 15 Walnut St Subdivision to construct duplexes.

First Reading Ordinance 2023-11-27 Amend zoning map to establish R-2 zoning on Lot 14 and 15 Walnut St Subdivision.

Cheeseman – Buckeye Real Estate Development made a tax abatement application for 335 Komminsk Drive. A \$4 million investment, 45% abatement for 10 years and 5 employees.

Elshoff made a motion to suspend the rule. Second by Lomakin. Six ayes.

Declaring Emergency Ordinance 2023-11-32 CRA Agreement with Cheeseman - Buckeye Real Estate Development Inc. Motion by Elshoff. Second by Burnell. Six ayes.

In 2019 the village was awarded a grant from ODNR to upgrade west shelter house in Bremenfest Park. The money was declined in 2020 due to COVID. The village was recently contacted that the \$100,000 grant is still available. Estimate \$250,000, \$150,000 local share to upgrade bathrooms to be ADA compliant with an adult changing table.

Wuebker made a motion to suspend the rule. Second by Condon. Six ayes.

Declaring Emergency Resolution 2023-11-17 ODNR Grant agreement, Bremenfest Shelter house Improvements. Motion by Condon. Second by Lomakin. Six ayes.

Mayor Parker and Jacob Larger are unable to attend December 11 meeting. December 11 meeting will be held on December 14 and the final meeting for the year will be December 27.

Village power supplier AMP, is updating the Master Services Agreement Participant Schedule. This recognizes the joint scheduling, interconnection and operation and transmission arrangements of AMP Members in the Western AMP Service Group (WASG) in the Dayton transmission zone. Second Reading Ordinance 2023-11-23 2023 WASG Power Pool Participation Schedule with American Municipal Power.

The passing HB 33 requires updates to the municipal income tax code. Most updates relate to remote work.

Second Reading Ordinance 2023-11-24 Amend Village Income Tax Code and Regulations to adopt provisions of Ohio House Bill 33.

Larger made a motion to enter executive session to discuss purchase or sale of property at 7:21 pm. Second by Wuebker. Came out of executive session at 8:30 pm with no action.

Wuebker made a motion to adjourn at 8:30p.m. Second by Larger. Six ayes.