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Roll call showed the following members present for the meeting on this date at 6:30 p.m. Larger, Burnell, Lomakin, Condon and Bertke. Also, present were Solicitor This, Mayor Parker, Chief Skinner, Fiscal Officer Speelman and Village Administrator Richter.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Condon.

Visitors attending were Erin Gardner from The Daily Standard.

Minutes from the April 22, 2024 regular meeting were approved. Motion by Condon. Second by Lomakin. Five ayes.

Amanda Hurley was appointed to fill the vacant seat of Tess Elshoff. Hurley was sworn in by Mayor Parker.

Mayor Parker's Report:

- Next regular meeting falls on Memorial Day. Meeting date is moved to Wednesday, May 29 at 6:30pm.

Village Administrator Richter Report:

- AMI meter update – 1,642 meters are installed. Waiting on additional meters to arrive late April.
- Tennis court concrete were poured April 24. Concrete needs to cure for 30 days before it can be painted.
- Received OPWC approval for Vine and Park St Reconstruction, \$240,000 grant and loan. Project estimate is \$1,300,000.

A traffic study was completed at the intersection of Park St and Front St. Currently stop signs are on Front St. The study reported the primary street as Front St and recommends removing the two stop signs on Front St and place a stop sign on Park St. No record of accidents at this intersection.

First Reading Ordinance 2024-05-14 Placement of stop sign at Park St and Front St traveling north and remove stop sign at Front St and Park St for east and west traffic.

In the summer of 2025 ODOT will resurface State Route 274 from milemarker 3.17 to 5.13 in the village. Authorize Brent Richter to enter into and execute contracts for the project.

First Reading Ordinance 2024-05-16 Authorize the resurface of SR 274 from milemarker 3.17 to 5.13 and for the village administrator to sign necessary projects.

The village was awarded a \$100,000 grant from ODNR for a capital improvement community recreation project for the Bremenfest West Shelter House. We will refurbish the bathrooms to comply with ADA. Auglaize County ADD helped to secure a grant for an adult changing station. Sealed bids were opened on May 7 at 10:00am. Baumer Construction of Minster was the only bidder at \$219,520 with air conditioning and \$210,290 without air conditioning. Discussed if air conditioning was needed in the bathrooms. Felt air conditioning would be beneficial for those utilizing the adult changing station. Will pass by emergency to accept the bid to allow the project to begin.

Burnell made a motion to suspend the rule. Second by Bertke. Six ayes. Declaring Emergency Ordinance 2024-05-15 Award Bremenfest West Shelter house improvements to Baumer Construction from

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Minster at a price of \$219,520, includes air conditioning. Motion by Lomakin. Second by Larger. Six ayes.

The village provides services or financial benefits to several non-profit organizations. To ensure proper public purpose of funds and transparency, the village will ask each organization that receives a benefit over \$5,000 to provide an annual financial statement to the village.

Second Reading Ordinance 2024-04-13 Policy requiring non-profit organizations who receive services or financial benefits exceeding \$5,000 annually from the village to provide annual financial statements.

Received from Auglaize County Auditor Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue on 2 mill replacement levy for Ambulance and EMS services which will produce \$249,000 per year. The cost per parcel is \$70 for each \$100,000 of county auditor's appraised value. The levy will be on the November 5, 2024 ballot.

Third Reading Ordinance 2024-04-11 EMS Services Levy 2 mill replacement. Motion by Burnell. Second by Bertke. Six ayes.

Received from Auglaize County Auditor Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue on a new 1 mill levy for Firefighting and Emergency Medical services which will produce \$124,000 per year. The purpose is to provide and maintain apparatus or fire equipment. The cost per parcel is \$35 for each \$100,000 of county auditor's appraised value. The levy will be on the November 5, 2024 ballot. Third Reading Ordinance 2024-04-12 Fire Fighting and Emergency Medical Services Levy 1 mill. Motion by Lomakin. Second by Condon. Five ayes. Bertke abstained due to brother being a member of the fire department.

Larger made a motion to enter executive session for purchase or sale of property at 6:47pm. At 7:34pm Condon made a motion to come out of executive session. Second by Bertke. Six ayes. No action was taken.

Larger made a motion to adjourn at 7:34p.m. Second by Hurley. Six ayes.

Robert D. Parker, Mayor

Amy M. Speelman, Fiscal Officer