

VILLAGE OF EVENDALE, OHIO 10500 Reading Road Finance, Recreation, Service and GHF January 2, 2024 4:30 pm, Municipal Building

Attendance: Council members: Steve Berke, Beth McDaniel, Chris Patterson, Tom Sextro, Mayor Finan, Nicole Gunderman, Adam Knight, James Jeffers, Dave Elmer, Cynthia Caracci and Barb Rohs

- 1. Finance
 - a. Finance update- 2024 was a record-breaking year. The Village ended the year strongly with receipts over expenditures of \$4,397,880 (not including TIF funds). This puts us in a great position to fund the numerous capital requests that we had been holding back on post COVID and also to support the new Service building for which we are in desperate need of.
 - b. Tax receipts for the year totaled \$17,838,366 which is \$1,590,138 over tax receipts in 2023. A welcome surprise and a testament to the recovery of the businesses in Evendale. Investments continue to create a over \$1 million in investment return.
 - c. Ordinances- 2024 transfer and capital budget
- 2. GHF
 - a. Ms. Gunderman updated council on employee changes
 - b. Growing flower production on cutting subscription
 - c. GHF still looking for a turkey processor
 - d. New garden programs led by Jason Camp
 - e. Summer day camp registration open in Feb
 - f. New event- May 18 Farm Babies
 - g. Now software- Double Knot for operations, donors, communication, POS
- 3. Recreation
 - a. New pieces of equipment delivered to rec center
 - b. Gingerbread was a successful 3-day event
 - c. 200 for visit for Santa
 - d. Snow much Fun- January 18
 - e. Attendance is back to pre-COVID numbers

4. Service/Engineering

- a. Mr. Jeffers reported on activity in his department
- b. Equipment is being repaired for spring
- c. Christmas tree and honey locust will be removed in front of rec center
- d. Rexford residents will be paying for new mailboxes because they were rusted out and not in compliance
- e. Griffin property tour- concentrate of the middle loop and north end of the property for invasive species and some trees that need to be removed
- f. Christmas eve shooting and some houses out for 2-14 hours and flock cameras were used to identify the rear licenses plate. There will be a total of 22 cameras in the VOE.
- g. Estimates for service building came in way over budget so looking at repositioning the building.
- 5. Other business
 - a. Jeff Albrinck will go on Mill Creek Valley Planning Committee.
 - b. Joe Wathen passed away. Reception in Jan 13 in Flex Room.
 - c. Captain Murry retirement on Jan. 10

Meeting adjourned by Tom Sextro, and seconded by Beth McDaniel. 5:25PM