# Fredericksburg Village Council Meeting Minutes April 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM

## Pledge of Allegiance

**Convene / Establish Quorum:** 

Roll call: Barb Yutzy, Jean Spencer, Missy Sidle, Jenny Reed, Logan Shirk

Others: Shawn McKelvey, Fiscal Officer; Barbara Biro, Solicitor

**Library Minute:** Charlotte Cutting- Story walk in the park is still in progress and are hoping to have the walk installed with weather permitting in May. There are plans to have the arch from the existing elementary school as and entry point into the walkway. Wonder bus trip is planned for May 17<sup>th</sup> to the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Canal Museum with a train ride to the Akron Zoo. Tickets are still available at the cost of \$25.00.

#### **Visitors:**

Dave Gintz; Ongoing water issues along Apple Street behind the Gintz property. Water continues to pond after recent storms and doesn't drain properly causing some minor erosion issues. It's possible that the drainage tile needs cleaned out or the possibility that the tile sits lower than the high-water mark of the creek. Information will be passed onto Mayor Chupp and MAK Renovations.

Becky Ginther; Rose Street alley is narrow and snow removal that was performed last winter has caused some scalping on the bank of her property and a rough area to her driveway. Ms. Ginther had suggested a possible retaining wall she may have installed; however, the new wall would be in the street right of way. Pictures were sent to Council and the Mayor. Council and the Mayor will visit the area informing the owners with options. Some discrepancies on how Rose Street flows will also be looked into by Council.

**Sheriff's Office Report:** Sheriff Deputies are seen in the Village and their presence is known among travelers as many vehicles have been stopped. No Contract has been received as of yet.

Street Administrator Report; Henry Miller- None

**South Central Fire District Representative Report:** Pancake breakfast was last Saturday and had a good turnout. For the month of March, there were 5 fire and 28 EMS call for service. New station construction has begun with footers and block work.

**Park Committee Report**: Pickleball/Basketball courts are still moving forward. Biggest concern is how to monitor the courts when the park is rented for private events. It was suggested that additional signage and rules be displayed as well as a "Courts Closed" sign. It was also suggested an Ordinance be passed by Council so that the Wayne County Sheriff's department could enforce the rules and hours of operation. Jane Braddock informed the committee fresh shavings have been placed behind the ballfield at the newly renamed Bear Den Community Trail. Park cleanup has been set for Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm. Waynedale National Honor Society and Fredericksburg Church of Christ were informed of the date. The committee is working with the FPC Outreach team to provide lunch and most of the supplies have been donated. New hitching rail is needed at the park and it was estimated to cost \$300.00

To approve the hitching rail improvement of \$300.00

Motion Sidle Second Shirk Vote All Yes

Mayors Report: Joe Chupp: Barb Yutzy gave the report; Quote from Mak renovations on soil/seeding repair work at the park for the cost of \$600.00

To have Mak renovations complete the necessary repair work at the park for the cost of \$600.00

Motion Spencer Second Sidle Vote All Yes

## **Fiscal Officer Reports: Shawn McKelvey**

1. Approve Meeting Minutes dated March 10, 2025:

Motion Spencer Second Sidle Vote All Yes

2. Approve Current Financial Reports from March 2025:

Motion Reed Second Sidle Vote All Yes

Legislature: NONE

#### **Business:**

1. Manganese & Water Well update:

No Update

- 2. N. Mill Street Dairy (Water & Sewer Issues) Keep on Agenda
- 3. Welcome to Fredericksburg Signs

44 Builders-Willy Hostetler has not been able to install the signs due to weather.

4. Tax Levy for Full-time Employment

Surveys that have been returned were given to Council to review.

Mirror (Mill Street & Jackson Street)

Ivan Weaver Construction-Seton will look where the mirror may have been taken or will send a quote for a new one.

6. Topsoil needed at Community Park

See Mayors Report.

7. Veterans Banners

Banner would be 24"x 48" digital printed would cost \$175/each which includes the mounting brackets. Ms. Yutzy explained that an application would be filled out and dropped off along with a picture of the veteran. Cost to the applicant would be \$75.00 and the Village would split the remaining \$100.00 with the local American Legion for each sign. Some concerns were raised on who would store the banners when they are taken down along with any ongoing maintenance and fees for storage and replacement costs.

To approve the Village to pay \$50 per banner up to a total of 30 banners (\$1,500)

Motion Sidle Second Reed Vote All Yes

8. 2025 Mowing Services

To approve Summer Breeze Lawn Care for 2025 mowing services.

Motion Spencer Second Reed Vote All Yes

9. Property Purchase

Will be discussed in executive session.

## Citizen's comments: (limited to (3) three minutes per person per subject) NONE

#### **Executive Session**

At 8:05pm, Ms. Spencer motioned and Ms. Sidle seconded to proceed into executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes. Roll Call Vote: Yutzy-Yes, Reed-Yes, Sidle-Yes, Spencer-Yes, Shirk-Yes

Due to conflict of interest, Logan Shirk, Shawn McKelvey were excused from Executive Session Discussion.

At 8:40pm, Ms. Reed moves, and Ms. Spencer seconds to exit out of executive session. Roll Call Vote: Yutzy-Yes, Reed-Yes, Sidle-Yes, Spencer-Yes

To send a letter of intent to the Fire Association with an expiration date of May 31, 2025.

Motion Reed

Second Sidle

Vote All Yes

To approve the Solicitor to research and obtain grant information.

Motion Reed

Second Sidle

Vote All Yes

Motion to pay bills: Motion Reed Second Sidle Vote All Yes Motion to adjourn: Motion Spencer Second Reed Vote All Yes

Next regular meeting will be May 12, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church.

I certify that the above is a reasonable accounting of the action and business of the Fredericksburg Council on April 14, 2025.

Shawn McKelvey, Fredericksburg Fiscal Officer