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**PROCEEDINGS**

**Lordstown Village Council Regular Meeting**

**(WHEREAS, the regular meeting before the Lordstown Village Council commenced on Monday, December 2, 2024, at 6:05 p.m. and proceedings were as follows:)**

**(Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Mayor Woodward?  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Present.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
MR. BOND: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
MR. LIMING: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
MS. BLANK: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
MR. CAMPBELL: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
MR. SHEELY: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
MR. MOSELEY: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Clerk Blank, present.  
Treasurer, George Ebling?  
MR. EBLING: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Solicitor Matt Ries?  
SOLICITOR RIES: Here.  
MR. BLANK: Police Chief Brent Milhoan?  
CHIEF MILHOAN: Present.  
MR. BLANK: Fire Chief Travis Eastham?  
CHIEF EASTHAM: Present.  
MR. BLANK: Planning and Zoning Administrator, Kellie Bordner?  
(NO RESPONSE — ABSENT.)  
Street Commissioner, Martin Nelder?  
MR. NELDER: Present.  
MR. BLANK: Board of Public Affairs?  
MR. PETERSON: Present.  
MR. BLANK: Engineer, Chris Kogelnik?  
(NO RESPONSE — ABSENT.)  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to excuse Kellie and Chris from tonight's meeting. Kellie is off. She was scheduled off today. And Chris is not well today.  
MR. CAMPBELL: I'll make a motion.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Campbell.  
MR. SHEELY: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Sheely. All in favor?  
COUNCIL: Aye.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**  
MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried.  
We need a motion to amend the agenda to remove number five.  
MR. LIMING: I'll make that motion.  
MR. BOND: I'll second it.

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MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming and a second by Bond. All in favor?  
COUNCIL: Aye.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion is carried.  
We need a motion to adopt, right?  
SOLICITOR RIES: Yes.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Is there a motion to adopt the amended agenda?  
MR. BOND: So moved.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.  
MS. BLANK: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. All in favor?  
COUNCIL: Aye.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion is carried.  
Is there a motion for disposal of the minutes for the regular  
Council meeting November 18, 2024?  
MS. BLANK: So moved.  
MR. LIMING: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank; second by Liming. Are there any  
questions?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
All in favor?  
COUNCIL: Aye.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried.  
Is there a motion for payment of the bills?  
MR. SHEELY: So moved.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Sheely.  
MR. CAMPBELL: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Campbell. Any questions on the bills?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
All in favor?  
COUNCIL: Aye.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion is carried.  
Mayor's report. Well, the Christmas lights are on. The  
Roads, Parks, Fire Department all did a phenomenal job with  
the lighting ceremony. And this year was very enjoyable.  
The LHS band and choir joined in, which was nice. You  
didn't have to hear me sing this year. Momentum Dance did  
a short performance that night. Bailey's tree farm donated  
the tree, which was wonderful. It looks great. So,  
everybody make sure you drive by and check out the lights.

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The Police Department passed out meals for, I think it's 25 families.

CHIEF MILHOAN: Correct.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Which was great. I joined them on that, which was nice. Thank you for inviting me for that. That's all that I have. Clerk's report?

MR. BLANK: I have no report, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Solicitor's report?

SOLICITOR RIES: Thank you, Mayor. I've addressed with most of you individually TEC's current request to use the cross-connect to the 16-inch waterline while the 24-inch waterline is being constructed. It's become a pressing issue from TEC's perspective. Their attorney has requested that I put together a Zoom call or a conference call with certain representatives from the Village who need to be involved with Steve Remillard and their attorney, as well as their representatives. So, I just wanted to communicate that to Council as a whole while we're together and seek direction if you want me to go ahead and set that up.

MR. SHEELY: Yep.

MAYOR WOODWARD: How many people do you need to have? Do you have specific people?

SOLICITOR RIES: Ideally, the select Council representatives, Mayor. I want the Mayor there. I want Chris Kogelnik involved. I want the Utility superintendent involved and the Utility committee.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Or do you want to set up like a work session for it? Is it something that we need to have all of Council for? I don't know where you're at in this process.

MR. MOSELEY: They want to have a Zoom call or they want to come here?

SOLICITOR RIES: They wanted to do a Zoom call. They wanted to come here tonight but they couldn't because of other plans. Steve Remillard apparently has a conflict. But they want to do like a Zoom call. The construction of the 24 inch is not moving as quickly as they anticipated when they entered into our water use agreement.

MR. BLANK: I'll be darn.

SOLICITOR RIES: So, I mean, we have a contract with them for all of this. It's a matter of they may have some requests for us going forward. Because right now the 16-inch line is just for redundancy under our agreement. And we've done a couple of addendums but that's brought us to the forefront that their attorney and Steve and a couple of their representatives want to do just a Zoom conference call. So, I would say at a minimum, myself, the Mayor, the Utility Committee, the Utility Superintendent and Chris Kogelnik.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. You want to start with that and then if we need to move into like a work session.

MR. BLANK: We'll have to advertise that.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Yes.

SOLICITOR RIES: It would be a Zoom call. Would there be more than three Council members present?

MR. BLANK: Yeah, you said the committee.

SOLICITOR RIES: Okay. I'll coordinate with you guys with your schedules and get a call set up then. I don't think it would be in person. We could do it as a work session and maybe they can come up here and reach out to their attorney.

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MR. CAMPBELL: Mr. Bond is going to be out of town here. When are you going to be out of town, Bob?

MR. BOND: Not until February.

MR. CAMPBELL: Oh, okay. I'm sorry.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. Matt, if you want to just coordinate that with us via email, and we'll go ahead and get that set up. We don't want to hold them up getting back to him. Anything else?

SOLICITOR RIES: That's all I have.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Treasurer's report?

MR. EBLING: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Board of Trustees of Public Affairs report?

MR. PETERSON: Next regular meeting will be December 17 but at 1:00 p.m. instead of the normal 4:00.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Does anybody have any questions for Chris?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
All right. The Village Engineer's report. I know Chris is absent, but I did briefly talk to him earlier today. So I just wanted to let everybody know that the pre—bid meeting for the air release valves is tomorrow at 10 a.m. And, also, the Streets Committee—so, Lamar—he wants to remind you that you should confirm which roads—and Martin—which roads you want to resurface next year, that we should start looking into that. Lyntz, other parts of Salt Springs Road, State Rt. 45, 45 the shoulders, need to be coordinated with ODOT probably now for paving in the summer. We have a plan now to align funds and be ready for that. So, if you can put that on your radar. That takes care of that.

Special reports. Police Chief Brent Milhoan?

CHIEF MILHOAN: Thanks, Mayor. On behalf of Captain Bordonaro and myself, we would like to thank the Negotiating Committee recently for the contract that they brought to Council on our behalf. I'm sure that being on the Negotiating Committee is not an easy task. I'm sure that there were many hours spent in discussions. And I also realize that there's a fine line between being conscientious about taking care of the taxpayers' dollars but also taking care of the employees. So we just wanted to say thank you for what we thought was a fair contract, and it didn't go unnoticed.

I sent my monthly report out today for the month of November. I don't know if you had a chance to look at it because I just completed it this morning or this afternoon. But I wanted to bring your attention to the amount of overtime that I know some of you have noticed this and brought it to my attention, the amount of overtime that many of the officers are working. If you look at my overtime report that I include in my monthly report, you'll see that the bulk of the hours are what we classify as "filling in" of their shifts that are filled in by officers. The vast majority in the last several months have been officers' overtime. That report that I sent you is all overtime for the Police Department. It's not just the officers. But there's very few hours that our dispatchers are working overtime. It's mostly our officers. And it's been going on for a few months now. I have concerns of that. I know some of you share my same concerns with the amount of overtime that the officers are working.

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So, it's probably something that we're going to have to look at in the near future. I don't see this as being a temporary issue, at least for a while. We have an officer who is on extended sick leave. We have another officer who has indicated that retirement is right around the corner for him. We are very limited in the number of part-time officers that we have. And in order to be able to maintain a minimum of two officers working on the shifts, we're just really pounding these guys out in the hours. I think it's something we need to have some discussions on in the near future to try to come up with some resolution to get away from that. These guys are working a lot of hours. They're driving around at night maybe not getting the sleep that they should get, and it's concerning.

The only other thing I have is I noticed that the—I know the Mayor earlier mentioned the Christmas lights—I noticed some new displays, and I think they look nice. That's all I have.

MAYOR WOODWARD:  
MS. BLANK:

Thank you.

How long is the hiring process, would you say, if we were to advertise and then hire. I know it's not just a quick thing.

CHIEF MILHOAN:  
MS. BLANK:

No. You're speaking of officers?

CHIEF MILHOAN:

Uh-huh.

It's changed. I can tell you I can remember not that long ago, I believe it was when we hired Kenny Metz. When we advertised, we got 70 applications. That wasn't that many years ago. The officer we hired after Kenny Metz—I can't remember who that was off the top of my head—but we went from 70 applications down to seven. So, we're just not drawing the people that we used to draw. And we're not unique in this situation. I mean, I think fire departments are experiencing this, law enforcement are experiencing this. Everybody is pulling from everybody else. We steal from each other when we can. I mean, that never happened before. We try to steal from respectable departments like Howland and Niles and there's a number of departments we try to steal from and everybody is doing that competitively. So, it's hard for me to say. If we advertise, we have to advertise in the local paper, so we put it out there. But we also advertise, and I think we get more traction out of our Facebook page and just social media and word of mouth. But we usually advertise for a few weeks, take applications, do interviews. But it just seems like the number of people that apply are less and less. I feel that the benefits and the wages that we offer are respectful. But it's just tough to find people it seems like. I don't really have the answer.

MS. BLANK:

I think if we had qualified candidates, by the time we did a complete background check, which consists of a psychological evaluation, a polygraph test, it could take, you know, a few months by the time we do a thorough background check on the candidates.

CHIEF MILHOAN:

That's why I didn't know if there was a way for us to advertise sooner and get the ball rolling.

I would like to do that. Counting myself and Captain Bordonaro, we have 11 full-time officers. I mentioned earlier, I feel confident that we have one officer that plans to

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retire. I don't think he's going to change his mind. It will be probably sometime this summer I'm guessing. I don't know what the status of the other officer will be. He's got some medical issues he's got to deal with. Don't know if he'll return or not.

So, it's hard to replace those people when you don't know for sure that they're leaving, but it looks like they are leaving or may not return. So, if you gave me the green light right now to hire two, in all reality, we could hire two and lose the two that we just backfilled and be right back where we're at or we actually could be worse because we do have a full-time officer that's on Akron's list. He's applied for Akron. He's going through the background check with them. So we could lose him. We have some other officers that I'll say mentioned that they are looking at other places because they don't like the current shift they're on. They don't have seniority to get to another shift so they're stuck on a shift that they would not prefer. There's almost always—I don't know how this will look with the new Sheriff—but under the current Sheriff that's getting ready to finish his term, there always seems to be deputy positions at the courthouse. It's not a glamorous or glorious job sometimes, but it's dayturn and holidays off and weekends off, so that's attracting to some people and the money is comparable.

So, those are the kind of the things, the obstacles that we're dealing with. It's hard for me to answer, but I would say if we advertised and we got some good candidates to apply, you're probably looking at two to three months to get them appointed, depending on how much experience they have before they can be cut loose on their own. I mean, it's a process. But it's just things we've never seen before. I mean, we used to hire and people just stayed forever until they retired. That was the good old days, I guess.

MR. LIMING: Question. When you hire somebody, say, Howland, if they were just hired and went through their background and everything, do you still have to do everything?

CHIEF MILHOAN: No. That's a good question. We accept whatever backgrounds they've done. We've actually shared our backgrounds with other departments that have taken our officers.

MR. LIMING: So that could speed up the process.

CHIEF MILHOAN: Absolutely. Many of the departments use the same resources to do the background checks. It might be done by the same polygraph tester. So, absolutely. If we can cut those corners, we do that. The first thing we do is we find out where they worked and if those things have already been accomplished, we go get a copy of their personnel file, and we check that box off. So, that's a good question. I'm glad you brought that up.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Brent, we had, I think it was right before I took office, you hired the auxiliary officer, well, the one that's still remaining. The other one has put in his resignation and we accepted that last meeting.

CHIEF MILHOAN: Correct.

MAYOR WOODWARD: So, if you were to add more full-time officers, would you eliminate that auxiliary position?

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CHIEF MILHOAN: No. If you look at the auxiliaries that we have now, Dave Harrison is one. As you know, Dave works for us in the summertime and is a big help. When he's not the SRO when school shuts down for the summer, he does come back and work the road for us, and he works more than he's required to.

MAYOR WOODWARD: So, you want to keep, I think it's Justin?  
CHIEF MILHOAN: We have him and we have Justin. We do have Ronnie Reed, but Ronnie Reed was just—I don't know if you saw it in the paper—but Ronnie Reed was recently sworn in as the Acting Chief at Hubbard Township. I believe once the current Chief is off the books—he's still technically hired there but he's going through some sick leave and things like that—I believe that Ronnie will be appointed full time at Hubbard Township, and I would look for Ronnie's resignation shortly after that. So that will take us down to Justin and Dave. My desire—I don't know how the committee feels or Council or the Mayor—but my desire would be to allow those two auxiliary officers to continue to help us when they can but obviously not look to put any more on. And I'll be honest with you I'm not looking and I haven't been looking to put any part timers on. I don't want to say it doesn't work out because Justin has worked out for us. Justin has a good full—time job and has no desire, at this point, to leave his full—time job. But he enjoys working for us part time. He has over 400 hours since we put him on, so it's not like he's just hanging out. He does his fair share. And, obviously, every hour that they work, that's an hour we don't have to pay overtime. So, I don't want to say that they don't help us because they do. We just don't have the number of people that we used to and I understand that because there's just too many full—time jobs available to attract part timers.

MAYOR WOODWARD: So, you want to add two more full time?  
CHIEF MILHOAN: Well, that would be my desire at this time. Again, it's hard for me to plan because I don't know what these other individuals—I'm anticipating a lot of this. I guess there could be a situation where we hire two full-time officers and the one officer that had planned to retire changes his mind, right? I mean, I can't say he's not going to do that. He's been pretty honest and up front with us about it. And I don't know what the status of the other officer is on medical, but he's got some pretty serious procedures coming up.

MAYOR WOODWARD: I do think it would be beneficial to have at least three officers per shift. That way if you do have a call off, you still have two officers.

CHIEF MILHOAN: Yeah, that would be my desire.

MAYOR WOODWARD: It would be nice to have Council approve two full-time officers.

CHIEF MILHOAN: My desire would be to have three officers on afternoon and three officers on midnight every night, every seven days in a row. Our stipulation would be if an officer turns in a vacation day for next Thursday on afternoon turn and we grant that, nobody else on that shift can have that day off. Now, the only hook you run into is if one of those two

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remaining officers that were supposed to work Thursday afternoon turn reports off sick, now you're back down to one because you've already approved the one vacation. But I think those occasions would be few and far between. At least I hope.

But, yeah, your idea would be right. If we had three officers on afternoon turn and one of them either reported off sick or was granted vacation or personal time or comp time, we don't fill it. We still have two. We still meet what we feel is a minimum number of officers we need out on a shift.

We also have been utilizing—and this has helped tremendously. We've been utilizing that ability to move that officer that's in that flex shift. You know, we move an officer back. If we have them on afternoon turn and he's working a split between afternoon and midnight and afternoon calls off, we call him and bring him in early or vice versa. If midnight calls off, we back him up and have him come in later so we're not paying overtime. And that's worked tremendously. I'm not sure the Union was happy with that but it's worked out. We've been able to work through it. So, we're trying to be creative in some of the things that we're doing.

I don't know if this is even in your thought and I don't want to take everybody's time tonight, but I realize that if we were to hire two officers, we're not in a position to buy two more cars. We would just have to share some cars. And you know what happens when you share cars, you put more mileage on them. I know that's the position we're in, but I don't think right now we can afford to buy two more cars. We can't afford to buy two more in-car video systems for those cars, everything that goes with that car. We would just have to slide seats and share cars for a while. So, if that's any of Council's concerns, I mean, that would be my plan at least at this time is we just have to share some cars to try to keep that cost down. I realize personnel costs are typically your biggest expenses. And I realize that.

MAYOR WOODWARD:  
CHIEF MILHOAN:

All right. There's some food for thought. So, I guess something to ponder on. I mean, you can look at our overtime, like I said, for the last two, three, four months. It's pretty much filling in on the road.

MAYOR WOODWARD:  
CHIEF MILHOAN:

So, it's justifying the cost of adding another officer or two. Another thing—and I've spoken to Bill about this—we've brought in a pretty decent amount of money on these trucking permits. You know, I can tell you that last year I think I issued 437 permits. And we're getting really close to 500 so far this year. So we've probably generated \$50,000 or \$60,000, Bill?

MR. BLANK:  
CHIEF MILHOAN:

We're in the 60s for this year. It doesn't take care of the expense of two officers. I realize that, but it does help a little.

MAYOR WOODWARD:  
CHIEF MILHOAN:

Okay. Thank you for all that. Thank you for your time.

MAYOR WOODWARD:  
MS. BLANK:

Does anybody have any other questions? I do but I don't want to ruffle feathers.

CHIEF MILHOAN:  
MS. BLANK:

Go ahead, ruffle my feathers. Okay. I know some other departments in the area their Chief

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and Assistant Chief work opposite shifts. Is that something you've ever done or would consider?

CHIEF MILHOAN: I think we did that. When I first started in '88, I believe Bill Penny was the Captain. At that time, Bill Catlin was the Chief. I think Bill Penny worked 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. I don't know why that went away.

MS. BLANK: Okay.

CHIEF MILHOAN: I can tell you that one of the things we did when Captain Campbell retired is we rolled the Captain's position and the Detective's position into the same position.

MS. BLANK: Okay.

CHIEF MILHOAN: So Chris is doing both of those jobs. Dayturn typically works better during investigations. Typically, Chris will work an 8 a.m. To 4 p.m. shift. He doesn't work the same shift I do hour to hour. I come in at 6:30, typically work until 2:30. He comes in at 8 and works until 4. There are times if he knows he has somebody to interview and they can't get there until 4, he might work 9 to 5. So we do flex him around a little bit to try to accommodate people's schedules. I don't know if I answered your question.

MS. BLANK: That helped. Thank you.

CHIEF MILHOAN: You're welcome.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Anybody else?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Fire Chief Travis Eastham?

CHIEF EASTHAM: No report tonight.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Anybody have questions for Travis?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Kellie is absent tonight, and she has no report to share. Parks, Grounds, Building, Street Superintendent, Martin Nelder?

MR. NELDER: Yes. The electrical report came back on 1500 Salt Springs and it passed, so we forwarded everything to Ohio Edison. Hopefully this week they'll have the electric turned on and we can go forward with the inspection and stuff.  
And, as we talked about, the lanes on 45, the turning lanes, Steve Zubyk from Eastgate, he's returned my email and he's trying to get funding to help us with that. I sent him a bunch of pictures of the road, so he's aware of how bad it is. He's trying to get us grants.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Good. I'm glad that worked out with him. He said that he would probably be able to help us.

MR. NELDER: He's trying, so we'll find out.  
The last thing is we got the old dump truck back for the part. They took the bed off at Myers and put on a new one. Do we want to do the sealed bids or Gov.deals to sell the old one?

MR. LIMING: Gov.deals.

MR. NELDER: Okay.

MR. LIMING: That's my opinion.

MR. BLANK: Cheaper, yeah.

MR. NELDER: All right. That's it.

MAYOR WOODWARD: That sounds good. Does anybody have any questions for Martin?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Correspondence?

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MR. BLANK: No correspondence.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public remarks? Go ahead, Danielle.

MS. WATSON: Danielle Watson, 2056 New Drive. I just had a couple comments on the whole hiring for the Police Department. A couple things that I caught. Chief said even if he hired two full-time officers, they could still be in a position where they're still down officers. If you look at other municipalities, villages, whatever, around us, most of those departments, they still have part-time officers to fill in those spots. I understand we want to have a full, full-time Police Department but with our population, you still need, in my opinion, you still need those part-time officers to accommodate for the overtime. And if you look at other departments, like I said, with those part-time officers, it does cut the overtime. Not that everyone is looking for a part-time job, but you do have people that still will go to be part-time officers. Even some retired police officers go back and do it part time.

As for the other thing, everyone here knows my husband is a police officer. My husband is retiring sometime between June and August, whenever he gets everything. So he's guaranteed to be gone. If he could retire tomorrow, he'd retire tomorrow. He has the time in but he will be gone between June and August. That's all.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. thank you. Anybody else?  
(NO RESPONSE.)

All right. Council remarks?

MS. BLANK: Just the tree lighting was wonderful. The displays are a lot better this year than they've been in the past. I know Steve helped with that a lot, too.

MR. NELDER: Yeah, the Parks guys did a lot of that.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is everything LED this year?

MR. NELDER: Yes, the big reindeers and the Santa, they changed to all LED.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Looks good. Anybody else?

MR. SHEELY: Nice job.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Anybody else?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Committee reports. Finance, Bob Bond?

MR. BOND: No report except the two pieces of legislation we'd like to see passed tonight.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Parks, Buildings, Grounds, General Improvements, Streets and Sidewalks, Lamar Liming?

MR. LIMING: Just to thank Martin and the Road Department and the Parks Department. Excellent job on the lights and everything.

MR. NELDER: Thank you.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Safety and Police Department, Jamie Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: I have no report tonight, Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Safety, Fire and EMS, Howard Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: No report tonight, Ms. Mayor.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Public Utilities, Terry Campbell?

MR. CAMPBELL: No report.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Planning and Zoning, Jessica Blank?

MS. BLANK: I have a report. So, I just want to say that we met on the 21st, so you'll see some stuff coming from Planning and Zoning. But, also, Mobile Market will be here December 6th

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at the Admin. Building between 12 and 1:30.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Legislation.  
MR. BLANK: From Council as a Whole, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN TO APPROVE THE COMMERCIAL PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH TRI COUNTY REAL ESTATE, LLC, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1500 CARSON SALT SPRINGS ROAD, WARREN, OHIO.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Are there any motions?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Hearing none, I declare this has had its second reading.  
MR. BLANK: From Planning and Zoning for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN, PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, CHAPTER 1135 "USE REGULATIONS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN BY ADDING IN PART ITEM NO. 8 AT SECTION 1135.05 "PROHIBITED USES" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Are there any motions on this piece?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Hearing none, I declare this has had its second reading.  
MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO THE REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO THE AMENDED CERTIFICATE DATED DECEMBER 2, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?  
MR. BOND: So moved.  
MR. LIMING: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond; second by Liming. Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
MR. BOND: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
MS. BLANK: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
MR. LIMING: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?  
MR. CAMPBELL: So moved.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Campbell.  
MR. MOSELEY: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. Any discussion?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

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MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
 MS. BLANK: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
 MR. LIMING: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
 MR. BOND: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 73-2024.

MR. BLANK: From Public Safety, Fire Department, and Emergency Medical Services Committee for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN TO PURCHASE FORTY (40) SETS OF LION V-FORCE GEAR WITH THE ISODRY MOISTURE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND FORTY (40) PAIRS OF THOROGOOD LEATHER FIREFIGHTING BOOTS FROM PHOENIX SAFETY OUTFITTERS, 110 WEST LEFFEL LANE, SPRINGFIELD, OHIO 45506, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?

MR. BLANK: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank?

MR. MOSELEY: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley.

MR. BLANK: Who made the motion? I'm sorry.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Blank. Second by Moseley. Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?

MR. LIMING: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?

MR. BOND: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?

MR. MOSELEY: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

MS. BLANK: Yes.

MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?

MR. SHEELY: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?

MR. LIMING: So moved.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.

MR. SHEELY: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Sheely. Discussion?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

Roll call.

MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?

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MS. BLANK: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
 MR. BOND: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
 MR. LIMING: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 74-2024.  
 MR. BLANK: From Negotiating Committee for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING ORDINANCE NO. 17-2023 ESTABLISHING THE AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, THE HOURLY WAGES AND OTHER TERMS OF REMUNERATION FOR THE PART-TIME DISPATCHERS IN THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN TO BE EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE.**  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?  
 MR. BLANK: Hold on. This shouldn't be upon passage.  
 MR. LIMING: Should be January 1st.  
 MR. BLANK: January 1st.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: We will need a motion to amend this to be effective January 1, 2025.  
 MS. BLANK: I'll make a motion to amend the Ordinance.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: All right. There is a motion to amend.  
 MR. LIMING: Second.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Blank and a second by Liming. Roll call.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
 MR. BOND: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
 MR. LIMING: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
 MS. BLANK: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion carried to amend. Is there a motion to suspend the rules?  
 MR. LIMING: You had a motion for that.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: That motion was for it not amended. Is there a motion to suspend the rules?  
 MR. MOSELEY: So moved.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Moseley.  
 MS. BLANK: Second.

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MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
MR. LIMING: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
MR. SHEELY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
MS. BLANK: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
MR. BOND: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?  
MR. BOND: So moved.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.  
MR. SHEELY: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: And a second by Sheely. Any discussion?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
MR. BOND: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
MS. BLANK: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
MR. LIMING: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
MR. SHEELY: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 75-2024.  
MR. BLANK: From Finance Committee for Emergency Passage, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CASH ADVANCEMENT FROM THE UTILITY WATER FUND 601.351.55000 CAPITAL OUTLAY ACCOUNT INTO THE UTILITY WATER FUND 601.000.49025 OEPA GRANT-DDAGW (GEN-23-047), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?  
MR. LIMING: So moved.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Liming.  
MR. BOND: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: And a second by Bond. Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
MR. SHEELY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
MR. LIMING: Yes.

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MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
 MS. BLANK: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
 MR. BOND: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: So moved.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Campbell.  
 MR. SHEELY: Second.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Sheely. Discussion?  
 (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
 Roll call.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
 MR. LIMING: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
 MR. BOND: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
 MS. BLANK: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 76-2024.  
 MR. BLANK: From Utility Committee for Emergency Passage, **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN TO EXTEND WATER UTILITY SERVICE TO ALRON HOMES, 2123 PRITCHARD OHLTOWN ROAD, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH JACKSON, MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Is there a motion to suspend the rules?  
 MR. CAMPBELL: So moved.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Campbell.  
 MR. MOSELEY: Second.  
 MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Moseley. Roll call.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
 MR. SHEELY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
 MS. BLANK: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
 MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
 MR. LIMING: Yes.  
 MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?

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MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
MR. BOND: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to suspend the rules. Is there a motion to adopt?  
MR. BOND: So moved.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Motion by Bond.  
MR. LIMING: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Liming. Any discussion? (NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Roll call.  
MR. BLANK: Miss Blank?  
MS. BLANK: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Moseley?  
MR. MOSELEY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Sheely?  
MR. SHEELY: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Campbell?  
MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Bond?  
MR. BOND: Yes.  
MR. BLANK: Mr. Liming?  
MR. LIMING: Yes.

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. Motion is carried to adopt Resolution 10-2024.  
Is there any old business?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Hearing none, is there any new business?  
MR. BOND: Yes, Mayor. I'd like to make a motion for the Solicitor to prepare a letter to the Ohio Power Siting Board citing our opposition to any possible third power plant and including a copy of our Ordinance to that effect and asking for notification of any hearings or anything relevant to this issue.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Okay. There is a motion on the table by Mr. Bond.  
MS. BLANK: Second.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Blank. Is there any discussion?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
All in favor?  
COUNCIL: Aye.  
MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: 6, ayes; 0, nays. The motion is carried.  
Is there any other new business?  
(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)  
Hearing none, is there any additional public remarks?  
(NO RESPONSE.)  
Hearing none, is there a motion for adjournment?  
MR. CAMPBELL: So moved.  
MR. BLANK: You guys want me to pronounce that word again?

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(Laughter.)

MAYOR WOODWARD: There is a motion by Campbell.

MR. LIMING: Second.

MAYOR WOODWARD: Second by Liming. All in favor?

COUNCIL: Aye.

MAYOR WOODWARD: All opposed?

(NO RESPONSE FROM COUNCIL.)

**(VOTE: 6, AYE; 0, NAY; 0, ABSTAINED.)**

MAYOR WOODWARD: Meeting adjourned.

**(WHEREAS, THE REGULAR MEETING BEFORE THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:45 P.M.)**

\_\_\_\_\_, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

STATE OF OHIO )

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COUNTY OF TRUMBULL )

I, Sharon K. Vigorito, a Notary Public, within and for the State of Ohio, do certify that the foregoing meeting before the Lordstown Village Council was written in the presence of witnesses and by me transcribed. I further certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript to the best of my abilities.

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Sharon K. Vigorito, Notary Public  
My commission Expires May 9, 2027