

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Lithopolis Village Council Meeting Minutes**  
**January 9, 2024**

**Council Members Present:** Belek, S Greene, T Greene, Long, Tennant

**Council Members Absent:**

**Present:** Mayor- Eric Sandine, W.J. Barton- Chief of Police, Jon Browning- Village Solicitor, Amanda Wolin, Village Administrator, Jacinta Flowers, Fiscal Officer

**Call**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence**

**Meeting Minutes:**

A Motion to approve Minutes from the December 12, 2023 Regular Meeting by Greene  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Long Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

**Public Comments:**

**Mayors Report:**

A First Reading of an Ordinance Setting the Rents for Water, Sewer And Stormwater Use for January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 And Repealing Ordinance 01-23 takes place.

A Motion to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings by Long 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greene Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A Motion to approve Ordinance 01-24 Setting the Rents for Water, Sewer And Stormwater Use for January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 and Repealing Ordinance 01-23 by Belek 2<sup>nd</sup> by Long Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

The Mayor points out that an increase of \$2.50 has already been set for Solid Waste Rent by ORD 07-23.

A 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Modifying The Table of Organization For The Village of Lithopolis And Setting The Type and Number of Paid Employees For The Village and Repealing Ordinance 15-22 And Declaring An Emergency takes place.

A Motion to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings by S Greene 2<sup>nd</sup> by Long Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A Motion to approve Ordinance 02-24 Modifying The Table of Organization For The Village Of Lithopolis And Setting The Type And Number of Paid Employees For The Village And Repealing Ordinance 15-22 By Tennant 2<sup>nd</sup> by S Greene Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Setting Standard Pay-Grades For Employees In The Village of Lithopolis And Repealing Ordinance 08-23 And Declaring An Emergency takes place.

A Motion to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings by Long 2<sup>nd</sup> by S Greene Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A Motion to approve Ordinance 03-24 Setting Standard Pay-Grades For Employees In The Village of Lithopolis And Repealing Ordinance 08-23 by Long 2<sup>nd</sup> by S Greene Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Employing Jon Browning, Attorney At Law, As Village Solicitor, Mayor's Court Prosecutor And General Legal Advisor For The Village Of Lithopolis takes place.

A Motion to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings by Belek 2<sup>nd</sup> by Long Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A Motion to approve Ordinance 04-24 Employing Jon Browning, Attorney At Law, As Village Solicitor, Mayor's Court Prosecutor And General Legal Advisor For the Village Of Lithopolis by Long 2<sup>nd</sup> by Belek Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Mayor Sandine shares the 2024 Capital Improvement Plan with council. A discussion takes place regarding key points of the plan.

The Mayor shares that the village has been approved for a loan through the EPA for the water and sewer extension to Jackson Lake. While the village will obtain the loan, Jackson Lake will be repaying the loan. Details of an agreement between Jackson Lake and the Village are still being negotiated.

The Mayor shares the Insurance quote from Wichert Insurance. He explains that we have a new agent however, the same company. All Insurance is covered with Selective Insurance instead of multiple companies as in past years.

The Mayor asks council to reschedule a few upcoming meetings due to conflicts with regular scheduled dates. Council agrees to reschedule the following meetings, February 13<sup>th</sup> to February 12<sup>th</sup>, February 27<sup>th</sup> to February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 12<sup>th</sup> to March 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **New Business:**

#### **Old Business:**

#### **Officers Report:**

**Chief** – Chief Barton shares the Police Blotter for November 2023 and December 2023. He shares that he continues to interview applicants for another full-time police officer. Mayor Sandine asks the chief to share information about the Flock System. A discussion takes place regarding the benefits Flock would bring to the village. Tennant asks if there are grants available to purchase the system. Sandine shares that since the efforts to increase revenue for 24/7 police coverage through a tax increase failed, the village will be exploring other ways to ensure the safety of the residents.

**Village Administrator** – Amanda shares a 2023 End of Year Report. A discussion takes place regarding the water leak at Elder Rd. and St Rt 674. Amanda shares that the utility clerk, Diana Contino, has moved on. The village is currently working to fill the position. Amanda thanks Eric, Simon, Hunter, Robbie, Rivka and Council for all of their help and support. The Mayor indicates he is very pleased with the village team. Amanda, Simon and Hunter completed the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Training. S. Greene suggests putting some of the tasks Amanda shared in her report on Social Media to make residents aware of what is necessary to keep the village running and the “behind the scenes” work that is done.

**Fiscal Officer** – A Reading of an Ordinance Adopting and Approving A 2024 Supplemental Revenue Increase And Appropriations Budget For The Village Of Lithopolis takes place

A Motion to approve Ordinance 05-24 An Ordinance Adopting and Approving A 2024 Revenue Increase And Appropriations Budget For The Village Of Lithopolis by S Greene 2<sup>nd</sup> by Long Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

A Reading of An Ordinance Authorizing The Fiscal Officer To Make Transfer From The General Revenue Fund To The Solid Waste Enterprise Fund takes place.

A Motion to approve Ordinance 06-24 Authorizing The Fiscal Officer To Make Transfer From The General Revenue Fund To The Solid Waste Enterprise Fund.

**Round Robin:**

**Belek-** asks if the village uses brine on the roads. The Mayor explains that the village had made brine in the past to use on the roads however, it is no longer being used. Belek asks about the truck repair. The Mayor explains that it is now having the plow worked on. A discussion takes place regarding the need to repair work that had been done on the plow blade in the past. Belek suggests considering the idea of changing the time of council meetings in the spring and summer to 7:30pm.

**S Greene** – nothing

**Long** – suggests taking the new plow truck and having it sealed underneath before it is ever used.

**T Greene** - nothing

**Tennant-** welcomes Travis Greene to council. States that she has met with the new mayor in Canal Winchester. Thanks Long and Chief Barton for their assistance with a driver having a heart attack while driving down the road.

Councilmember Tennant states having no further public business to address she makes a motion to adjourn  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Greene

All in favor. No Nays Recorded