

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council

Held on May 20th, 2024



VILLAGE OF WEST JEFFERSON COUNCIL

MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER

President Jennifer Warner called the Village of West Jefferson Council Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

Council Members in attendance: Erica Bogner, Samantha Cahill, Linda Hall, Jimmy Little, Jeff Patterson, Howard Wade, and Jen Warner. **Quorum Declared: 7 present, 0 absent.**

PRAYER & PLEDGE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:

Motion to Adopt the May 20th Agenda Moved by Samantha Cahill and seconded by Linda Hall.

All in Favor

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the May 6th, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council. Moved by Howard Wade and seconded by Linda Hall.

All in Favor

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

Chris Siscoe, Director of the Hurt-Battelle Library in the Village of West Jefferson arrived at the podium to discuss the upcoming events for the Summer Reading Program which will begin on June 3rd and end August 3rd. It is a family summer reading club and is open to all ages. The program is primarily supported by Battelle, and they were given a \$15,000.00 grant to do STEM related events. The board then matched monies to do this program. People will read 10 books and then turn in their sheets, and they get a prize. The kids' program is up to 18. The kids will read for 12 hours, and the adults read in teams. The kids go into their Lego room for prizes and the adults, the Friends of the Library purchased 2 kindles for prizes. There are also a lot of prizes that were donated from the community and around Columbus. Everyone is welcome to join. When everyone came out of COVID in 2021 they had around 200 people that participated. The second year they had around 230 and in 2023 they had 470 people and 1/3 of those were adults. It has become a very popular program promoting literacy in the community. They have also had a wide range of events to go with it for all ages. They started last year with Wednesday Storytime in Garrett Park. It was so successful that they are doing it again this year. Each week has a different theme. They are kicking it off with Canines units coming out. Fridays are when they do a lot of their STEM programming. The first event will be "Dino-ROAR" at the Community Center, and they will have some exhibits. There is a local archaeologist that will be at the event promoting some prehistoric artifacts from the area. The following weeks Friday theme will be "Science Heroes" highlighting different

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people who make an impact on science. On Friday the 21st, the Columbus Zoo will be at the Community Center. On the 28th of June, they will host the Comedy and Juggling of Matt Jergens at the Community Center. They will not have an event on July the 5th due to the July 4th holiday. On July 12th, they will host "Blowcart Beach", July 19th Moon Landing and will end the program on July 26th with a Summertime "Splash"acular event at the Community Center. In the between all of these programs, a STEM teacher will be coming in to give the basics to teens on how to use graphing calculators. With the Battelle grant they purchased 20 graphing calculators which cost about \$120 a piece. It will be for grades 7th thru 12. After they have completed the class, they will be able to keep the calculators. This is their 3rd year of doing this. They have already registered their 20 attendees and most of them are West Jefferson high schoolers. It really saves those parents a lot of money and the calculators can be used on into college. They are also offering more arts programs. Thurber House will be doing a program on June 17th for those interested in writing, titled "Supercharge your Writing: Break Blocks and Stay Motivated". There is another arts event on July on the 29th for Cartooning and one on July 20th for Diamond Art 101 and on Saturday June 29th Patriotic Candles, both for adults. They are planning a How to do calligraphy class and are also working out the details on an upcoming author's visit. There is another popular kids' event on June the 12th which is the "Create your own Fairy Gardens". *Please note that some of these are registration required and are noted on the calendar that is attached. They are doing a little bit or everything for all ages and hope that everyone can get involved. Also, he wanted to mention that there is a Plant Swap scheduled for June the 8th with Madison County Gardens. Mr. Siscoe passed out calendars to all of the staff and Council present and thanked everyone for their time.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2nd reading of ORDINANCE 24-039, AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE PAYMENT PER CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH PLAIN CITY.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 24-039 Moved by Erica Bogner and seconded by Howard Wade.

Deliberations began. "Any questions or comments?" Council member, Jeff Patterson asked the Mayor if the Village didn't except paying the 20% to Plain City would they simply not except the agreement. The Mayor stated that they could choose to go elsewhere. There were some comments back and forth between Union and Madison County so Plain City agreed to this contract. Council member Samantha Cahill stated to Council member Patterson that it wasn't stated as a demand, just insinuated.
Deliberations ended.

Roll call.

VOTED YEA: Erica Bogner, Samantha Cahill, Linda Hall, Jimmy Little, Jeff Patterson, Howard Wade, and Jen Warner.

VOTED NAY: None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **Motion Carried 7-0**

B. * ORDINANCE 24-040, AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE DUKE FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion to Waive the 2nd reading moved by Samantha Cahill and seconded by Jimmy Little.

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Deliberations began. "Any questions or comments?" Finance Director, Rebecca Shipley-Arnott explained that back in March we received a distribution from the county and at the time she felt like the distribution was high and she called and questioned and emailed a comparison that showed it looked like way too much money. The County staff member assured her it was fine and so she distributed the payment to the TIF developer. A week before the last council meeting, she received a call from the County staff member stating that she was in fact wrong and she had not made the schools whole and the Village owes the schools \$451,478.00 that we paid 70% of it to Duke. So, she contacted the TIF developer and luckily since they send it to Columbus and then out to Denver, they thought they could catch it before it was cashed. But this week even after she had stopped payment on it, she looked at the account and realized the check had been cashed and cleared the bank. She contacted Huntington right away to back it out and everything is fine, but she had already sent the corrected check to the TIF developer. This has allowed her to pay for the schools. Council thanked The Finance Director for catching all of that and for her hard work. **Deliberations ended.**

Roll call.

VOTED YEA: Samantha Cahill, Linda Hall, Jimmy Little, Jeff Patterson, Howard Wade, Jen Warner, and Erica Bogner.

VOTED NAY: None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **Motion Carried 7-0-0**

Motion to adopt Ordinance 24-040 Moved by Jimmy Little and seconded by Erica Bogner.

Deliberations began. "Any questions or comments?" None. **Deliberations ended.**

Roll call.

VOTED YEA: Linda Hall, Jimmy Little, Jeff Patterson, Howard Wade, Jen Warner, Erica Bogner, and Samantha Cahill.

VOTED NAY: None. **ABSTAINED:** None. **Motion Carried 7-0-0**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Service and Special Events (Chair, Erica Bogner) None.

Finance (Chair, Samantha Cahill) None.

Employee Benefits (Chair, Jimmy Little) None.

Parks and Recreation (Chair, Jeff Patterson) None.

Development (Chair, Linda Hall) The Development Committee met on May 16th to discuss project safety concerns and emergency protocols with Toagosei. The meeting went well, and the Committee voted to recommend it to Council unanimously.

Police (Chair, Howard Wade) None.

The Mayor wanted to remind Council that the paperwork from the County for the annexation for Toagosei was to be signed the next day, Tuesday. Once the Village received it back, we would have to hold it for 60 days before presenting the legislation to Council to vote on. President Jen Warner asked if we could find out if the paperwork was delayed from the County since our legal team at BrickerGraydon asked why the dates were off. Clerk of Council stated to the Mayor and the President that she would look into it and then copy both of them on an email with the response. The Mayor stated that he too would make a few calls and look into the time frame. *In a later response from the County to the Clerk and Mayor, they explained there was an issue with a survey and their completed time frame was in fact on time. The Commissioner accepted the petition on April 16th, 2024 which is within their timeline.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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active shooter situation or crisis. They are very excited to get this going. They will be able to take videos to generate active rooms as if they were in them during a crisis situation. Touch a Truck went great at the Uptown Friday Night event. All of the adjacent agencies joined the Village for the event. The Sheriff's office, The State Highway Patrol, and Plain City sent units, so there was a great response. This was Diego's first Community event. His next outing will be at a Library event in June. It will take almost his full first year to get used to being at public events. The Department is working with Amazon's Global Crisis executives and the Madison County Sheriff's office on crisis planning. The traffic stops in the past few weeks include 104 stops, 54 on Main Street and 32 resulted in citations.

Council member, Samantha Cahill asked Chief Smith if the schools were aware that the department is getting the software and are they happy about it? Chief Smith stated that yes, they are aware and seem happy about it. They will allow the Department to come in and take photos and videos once the school is empty for summer break. They definitely want to make sure that all of the imaging is done correctly. Once the images and videos are uploaded to the software, they will be all set. This will help the officers to familiarize themselves with the structure of the schools.

President Jen Warner wanted to recognize the Chief and his team for doing a great job the Sunday of the incident at Amazon. Chief Smith stated that communication went very well between all of the entities.

Report for Director of Development – Director Tom Hale was not in attendance and no report was given.

Report for Director of Information Technology – Director Mark Crosten reported that he did not have anything at this time.

Recognition of Clerk and Council – Clerk of Council, Tisha Edwards stated that in the past, the minutes were approved for the Special meetings and Committees at the next Special or Committee meeting that was held. In order to post the minutes in a timelier fashion we will be asking for the minutes to be approved at the next Regular Council meeting that follows the Committee or Special meeting. The date that it was approved will be added to the Agenda of that particular Committee or Special meeting for reference. Those minutes that were being held for approval and signature were:

President, Jen Warner

1.) Do I have a Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the Special meeting held on April 23rd, 2024? Moved by Erica Bogner and seconded by Linda Hall.

·Deliberations Begin "Are there any questions or comments?" None.
·Deliberations End. All in favor.

Chairperson, Samantha Cahill

2.) Do I have a Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on May 6th 2024? Moved by Jen Warner and seconded by Linda Hall.

·Deliberations Begin "Are there any questions or comments?" None.
·Deliberations End. All in favor.

Chairperson, Jimmy Little

2.) Do I have a Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the Employee Benefits Committee meeting held on April 1, 2024? Moved by Erica Bogner and seconded by Samantha Cahill.

·Deliberations Begin "Are there any questions or comments?" None.
·Deliberations End. All in favor.

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Chairperson, Jeff Patterson

3.) Do I have a Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee held on March 26th, 2024? Moved by Erica Bogner and seconded by Howard Wade.

·Deliberations Begin "Are there any questions or comments?" None.
·Deliberations End. All in favor.

Chairperson, Erica Bogner

4.) Do I have a Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the Public Service Committee held on March 18th, 2024? Moved by Samantha Cahill and seconded by Jimmy Little.

·Deliberations Begin "Are there any questions or comments?" None.
·Deliberations End. All in favor.

Chairperson in 2023, Samantha Cahill

4.) Do I have a Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the Police Committee held on June 26, 2023? Moved by Howard Wade and seconded by Samantha Cahill.

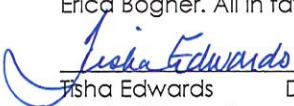
·Deliberations Begin "Are there any questions or comments?" None.
·Deliberations End. All in favor.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS- There was a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. by Linda Hall and seconded by Erica Bogner. Council moved into Executive session for the Sunshine Law reasoning of Personnel matters. All in favor.


A motion to close the Executive session at 8:34 p.m. was made by Jeff Patterson and seconded by President Jen Warner. All in favor.

ADJOURN

Motion to Adjourn by President Jen Warner at 8:35 p.m. and reconvene at the June 3rd, 2024, regular meeting of Council. Motion moved by Jeff Patterson and seconded by Erica Bogner. All in favor.


Tisha Edwards
Clerk of Council

Date


Jennifer Warner
President of Council

Date

June 2024

Summer Tales, Experiments, And More!








Hurt/Battelle Memorial Library Family Summer Reading Program 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>For more information on all our programs, go to hmlibrary.org and click on "View all events"!</p>	<p>Storytime at the Park!</p> 	<p>Storytime in June and July will be at Garrette Park at 10:30 AM on Wednesdays only!</p> <p>**If it is raining, Storytime will be held at the Library.**</p>	<p>All programs are located at the Library unless otherwise noted.</p> <p>Reading logs will be available on Monday, June 3rd!</p>	<p>1</p> 	
2	<p>3 Booklovers 4 PM</p> 	<p>4</p>	<p>5 Storytime at the Park!</p> <p>Dogs With Jobs!</p> <p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>6</p> 	<p>7</p> <p>Dino-ROAR!</p> <p>11 AM</p> <p>**Located at WJ Community Center**</p>	<p>8</p>  <p>Plant Swap!</p> <p>11 AM</p>
9	<p>10</p> 	<p>11 Board of Trustees Meeting 6 PM</p> <p>Building and Grounds Committee Meeting 5:30 PM</p>	<p>12 ST at the Park! 10:30 AM</p> <p>Fairy Gardens! K - 5th Grade 2 PM</p> <p>*Registration is required!</p>	<p>13</p> 	<p>14</p> <p>Science Heroes: Adventures of the Lost Treasure!</p> <p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>15</p>
16	<p>17 Supernatural Your Writing!</p> <p>Break Blocks & Stay Motivated 11 AM</p> <p>Teens & Adults</p>	<p>18 Graphing for the Future!</p> <p>Grades 7th - 12th 2 PM - 3 PM</p> <p>*Registration Required!</p>	<p>19 ST at the Park! 10:30 AM</p> <p>Bye, Bye Butterfly! Hello Summer!</p> <p>11 AM at Garrette Park</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Columbus Zoo's Animal Ambassadors!</p> <p>10:30 AM</p> <p>**Located at WJ Community Center**</p>	<p>22</p>  <p>ZOO</p>
23	<p>24</p> <p>STEAM Programs Supported by</p> <p>BATTELLE</p>	<p>25</p> 	<p>26 Storytime at the Park!</p> <p>Bubbles, Bubbles Everywhere!</p> <p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>27</p> 	<p>28</p> <p>The Comedy and Juggling of Matt Jergens!</p> <p>10:30 AM</p> <p>**Located at WJ Community Center**</p>	<p>29</p>  <p>Patriotic Candles 11 AM</p> <p>This program is for adults. Registration is required.</p>
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July 2024

Summer Tales, Experiments, And More!

Hurt/Battelle Memorial Library Family Summer Reading Program 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Booklovers 4 PM 	2	3 Storytime at the Park! Red, White, & Blue! 10:30 AM	4 The Library will be closed in observance of Independence Day.	5 No Program! Happy 4th of July! All programs are located at the library unless otherwise noted.	6 For more information on all our programs, go to hmlibrary.org and click on "View all events"!
7	8	9 Board of Trustees Meeting 6 PM	10 Storytime at the Park! Down On The Farm! 10:30 AM Friends of the Library Meeting 5:30 PM	11 	12  Blowcart Beach! 10:30 AM	13 
14	15 STEAM Programs Supported by BATTELLE	16 	17 Storytime at the Park! New To You! 10:30 AM	18 	19  Moon Landing! 10:30 AM	20  Diamond Art 101 11 AM This program is for adults. Registration is required.
21	22 	23 	24 Storytime at the Park! Summer Dance Party! 10:30 AM	25 	26  Summertime "Splash" Tacular! 11 AM **Located at WL Community Center**	27 
28	29 The Cartoonist Way: Writing & Drawing Your Own Comics 10:30 AM - 12 PM Teens & Adults	30 Tomorrow is the last day to turn in Summer Reading Logs and Read-Ons! 	31 Storytime at the Park! Going On A Color Hunt! 10:30 AM	Storytime in June and July will be at Garretts Park at 10:30 AM on Wednesdays only! **If it is raining, Storytime will be held at the Library**		
				No Storytime in August! Storytime will resume on Wednesday, September 4th!		

Report to Council

April Financials are at your desks.
April was down 15% over last year, but we are only down 3% for the year.

Since the last meeting:

Revenue Items (over \$10,000 other than Water, Tax & Regularly Recd Items)

Nothing Notiable.

Total Receipts since last reporting 103 Receipts for \$433,932.06 thru 5/17/24

Payment Items (over \$10,000 other than reoccurring expenses - non Payroll)

5/7/2024	Digimation Inc	Dart Max Hardward	\$	18,000.00
5/8/2024	Treasurer of State Dept of Transportation	SIB Loan 1st Half 2024	\$	37,460.39
5/10/2024	Industrial Technology Solutions	Pump Controller/Troubleshooting/Adapter	\$	54,632.27
5/15/2024	Prologis LP DBA Prologis	Replacement Chief for TIF Payment	\$	409,214.49

Total Payments since last reporting 103 Payments for \$692,856.91. thru 5/20/24
152 Invoices Paid



Columbus, Ohio, Sites

An MED/AEC legacy site

This fact sheet provides information about the **Columbus sites**. This privately owned site is managed by the **U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management** as a **Manhattan Engineer District/Atomic Energy Commission Legacy Site**.

Site Information and History

The Columbus, Ohio, Sites consist of two geographically separate properties owned by the Battelle Memorial Institute: the King Avenue site, located in the city of Columbus, and the West Jefferson site, located approximately 15 miles west of Columbus. Battelle conducted extensive nuclear research at both locations for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and its predecessor agencies between 1943 and 1986. The research resulted in contamination of soil, buildings, and equipment with radioactive and mixed waste materials. Environmental cleanup of the sites began in 1986.

The 6-acre King Avenue site, which was historically a part of the federal government's fuel and target fabrication program, consisted of nine buildings and the surrounding grounds. Nuclear research conducted at the site included processing and machining of enriched, natural, and depleted uranium and thorium; fabricating fuel elements; analyzing radionuclides; and studying powder metallurgy. These operations resulted in contamination of facilities and equipment with uranium and thorium residue. Remediation began in 1988 and was completed in 2000.

Contamination at the 11-acre West Jefferson site was more extensive than that at the King Avenue site. Research was performed in two areas at West Jefferson: the Nuclear Sciences Area in the northern portion of the site (three buildings) and the Engineering Area in the southeastern portion (three buildings). The buildings in the Engineering Area were used for fuel element fabrication and ballistics studies. These buildings were remediated and are still

standing and in use by Battelle. In the Nuclear Sciences Area, the former hot cell facility was the most highly contaminated. Work conducted there included examination and evaluations of power and research reactor fuels; post-irradiation examination of the fissile control rod, source, and structural materials and components; and examinations of irradiation surveillance capsules. The other two buildings at the Nuclear Sciences Area were the Critical Assembly Laboratory and the nuclear reactor research building. Environmental cleanup was completed in 2006 and consisted of removing all contaminated structures, underground piping, and a filter bed.

A total of 1.7 million tons of low-level and mixed low-level waste and 41 tons of transuranic waste were removed from the King Avenue and West Jefferson sites and shipped offsite.

Regulatory Setting

When a licensed facility ceases operation, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requires that the site be decommissioned according to certain criteria. The purpose of decommissioning is to reduce residual radioactivity to a level that allows the property to be safe for public use.

Battelle conducted cleanup of the King Avenue and West Jefferson sites under the regulatory requirements of an NRC license, and cleanup proceeded according to an NRC-approved decommissioning plan.

Pursuant to Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, a state may reach an agreement with NRC (and the state then becomes an Agreement State) allowing that state to regulate the use of the NRC-licensed radioactive materials within its borders. Decommissioning oversight for the King Avenue site was transferred to the state of Ohio when the state became an NRC Agreement State in 1999.

NRC retained jurisdiction over the West Jefferson site due to total possession of special nuclear materials (SNM) in quantities that exceeded the limits specified in Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 150.

Current Site Conditions

Following the cleanup at King Avenue and West Jefferson site, the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, conducted an independent verification of the site and concluded that radiological conditions met NRC release criteria. Battelle submitted the final certification package to NRC in accordance with NRC de-licensing procedures. NRC terminated Battelle's SNM-7 license for Kings Avenue and West Jefferson site in 2008. Both the King Avenue and West Jefferson sites have been released to Battelle for unrestricted use.

Legacy Management Activities

Responsibility for maintaining historical records for the Columbus sites transferred to the DOE Office of Legacy Management (LM) in 2008. No monitoring, maintenance, or site inspections are required for the site. LM's responsibilities consist of managing site records and responding to stakeholder inquiries.



CONTACT INFORMATION

**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY AT THE SITE,
CONTACT 911.**

Site-specific documents related to the **Columbus, Ohio, Sites** are available on the LM website at www.energy.gov/lm/columbus-ohio-sites.

For more information about LM activities at the **Columbus, Ohio, Sites**, contact:

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