



**Village of New Madison  
Council Meeting  
May 20, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Monyca Schlechty, President Pro Tempore. Present for the meeting were Gail Farmer, James Lawrence, Lexie Cook, Nathaniel Mogle, Chad Begoon, Village Administrator, Jimmy Ragsdale

Visitors: Francis L. Grisez, Greg Billing – Darke County Visitors Bureau, Matt Ketring, Haedon Schlechty, Sheila Ketring, Mike Waymire, Candy Null, Scott Null

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lawrence motioned to accept minutes from April 15, 2024; second by Cook.

Yea - Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon

Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to accept the cash summary by fund, appropriations payment register, revenue receipt register; April 2024 bank reconciliation; second by Begoon.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon

Motion passed

**Public:** Darke County Visitors Bureau – Greg Billing explained there is a county events calendar free of charge to post events for New Madison area. Intern will be taking pictures in July. New board members needed and New Madison isn't represented.

Francis L. Grisez asked about hanging American Legion flags when banners are hung; village hasn't received Veteran's Banners from the school at this time.

Haedon Schlechty asked permission to close Washington St. to Jefferson St. on August 10 from 4 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. August 11 for a street party. Begoon motioned to approve closure of Washington St. to Jefferson for Schlechty's Street Party on August 10 at 4 p.m. until 2 a.m. August 11; second by Farmer. Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon.

Motion passed

Sheila Ketring concerned over neighbor and noise.

Candy Null concerned over mosquitoes and brush from her neighbor and racing on Wayne St.

Begoon asking about parking spots on Wayne St. next to his house and asking council to vote to move the no parking sign.

**Mayor:** Sheriff's Department meeting with 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee, Civic Center and Village on Wednesday.

**Village Administrator:** Media replacement has been completed and pumps are shutting off at the water plant; should see reduction in electricity usage. Jutte is in place at the wastewater plant and work will begin May 21. Jefferson St. trees not impacting the street.

**Solicitor:**

**Fiscal Officer:** Peregrine – first month of printing utility bills; received later than normal; next month should be better. Pro-One Painting has begun work on the Admin Bldg. Wagner Paving quote accepted for paving Jefferson St. CCA delinquent taxpayers – 24 residents didn't make payment

arrangements with CCA and their Prosecutor from notices sent out November 2023; these delinquent accounts have been sent back to the village and they will be certified to the Ohio Attorney General's Office for collection. Star Ohio – transferred \$75,000.00 from checking account. Anyone interested in running for Mayor can pick up election packets at Darke County Board of Elections. Meeting in June changed to June 17. Retirement is official all paperwork submitted and last day to work is August 30.

**Parks Committee:** Darke County Parks Grant application submitted.

**Ordinances/Resolutions:** Lawrence motioned to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution 24-01 Adopting the budget of the Village of New Madison, Ohio for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025 and submitting the same to the County Auditor; second by Cook.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon Motion passed

Farmer motioned to adopt Resolution 24-01; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon Motion passed

Farmer motioned to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution 24-02 2024 Community Parks Improvement Grant Program application; second by Lawrence.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon Motion passed

Mogle motioned to adopt Resolution 24-02; second by Begoon.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon Motion passed

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:** Delinquent utility tagging and shut-offs – Ragsdale will have legislation to update rules and regulations for next council meeting to no longer tag delinquent accounts; if delinquent and not paid by the 25<sup>th</sup> water will be turned off. Disconnect fee will be raised.

**Executive Session:** Schlechty motioned to enter executive session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss land development; second by Begoon.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, Cook, Mogle, Begoon Motion passed

Returned from executive session at 7:30 p.m.

Farmer motioned to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.; second by Begoon. Meeting adjourned

Next meeting is June 17 at 6:00 p.m.