

Village of Thurston
Council Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Mayor Mary Boring. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Robert Ortman – present JoAnn Hite – present Jimmy Barber JR - absent
 Scott Whited – present Lowell Hite – present Garry Boring - present
 Mary Boring, Mayor – present Aaron Reedy, Fiscal Officer – present

No visitors wished to speak.

Scott made a motion to approve the January 6th 2021 Organizational meeting minutes. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES with Garry abstaining. Motion carried.

Scott made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2021-4, An Ordinance to Amend the 2021 Appropriations Ordinance and the declaration of an emergency. Garry seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Garry made a motion to waive the 3-reading rule and declare an emergency for Ordinance 2021-4, An Ordinance to Amend the 2021 Appropriations Ordinance and the declaration of an emergency. Robert seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Business from the Fire Chief – Chief Bob Price was present. He said he would mail his report. Chief would like to purchase 14 reconditioned SCBA bottles to cover current needs. Would cost \$4,500 and would be good until 2024. Garry made a motion to approve the purchase for \$4,500 for 14 reconditioned SCBA bottles. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Bob will send me the vendor information.

Chief said they need to replace 12 sets of turnout gear this year; old ones have aged out. They are about \$3,200 for a complete set.

Chief said he would like to have the 2005 International Truck declared excess inventory. This is the old medic. He thinks we can get \$15,000 - \$25,000 for it.

Chief said the department switched to the new Image Trend ePCR reporting software as of 1/1/2021. They are working on integrating CAD into it. Aaron asked Chief if they could improve the amount of time it takes to submit runs for billing. Historically, Thurston has submitted them once every month or two. Chief said they are shooting for twice a month.

Chief said the parking lot at the Fire Department is in bad shape. They are looking into options.

Business from the Safety Committee – None

Business from the Service Committee – Council discussed whether or not to complete revamp the Cemetery guidelines ordinance at this time, or simply raise rates. They decided they want to just raise rates at this time. Aaron will let the solicitor know.

Garry made a motion to purchase a bulk water meter from Buckeye State Pipe for \$1,600. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried. Rates for the bulk water sales will be discussed at the service committee meeting.

Business from the Finance Committee – Didn't meet.

Business from the Regional Planning Representative – Robert said there was nothing that concerned the Village.

Old Business – Aaron said he had reported the property at 8095 High St. to the Fairfield County Dept of Health because of safety issues (leaning a lot). Jennifer Valentine from the Dept of Health came out and looked at the building. She said there was nothing notable enough for the County to take action.

Mary said the old excess-inventory water meters were sold to a company for \$500. They've picked them up.

New Business – Aaron said the Township is holding \$111,718 of Thurston fire contract funds at the request of Trustee Bill Yates. Aaron asked if Council wants the money requested to be disbursed to us. Garry made a motion to request the money be disbursed to Thurston that is being held. Scott seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried

JoAnn made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm. Garry seconded. Roll call vote: all YES. Motion carried.

Respectfully prepared by,

Aaron Reedy