

Mill Village Borough Regular Meeting
Wednesday – November 6, 2024

President Linda Falconer, called to order The Regular Meeting of the Mill Village Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council members in attendance: Edward Falconer, Shawn McLaughlin, David Alexander, Sean Falconer, Mark Costello and Steve Yovich. Also in attendance: Mayor Joe Sam, Secretary/Treasurer Catherine Wise, MV Volunteer Firemen Paul and Caleb Ellis and Employee Tim Pietrasewicz.

Edward Falconer motioned to accept the Proposed Agenda. Sean Falconer seconded. All voted yes.

Edward Falconer motioned to approve the Minutes from the October 2, 2024, Regular meeting and the October 31, 2024, Treasurer's Report. Steve Yovich seconded. All voted yes.

The Girl Scouts may not need the building this year. There is a Burning Ban in Erie County. The Fall/Winter Newsletter has been distributed.

Road Foreman Edward Falconer will be Picking up leaves and cleaning drains. Tim cleaned the Buildings and Offices. In the Spring of 2025, Tim plans on waxing floors.

MVVFC President Paul Ellis and Treasurer Caleb Ellis submitted an Income/Expense report from the MVV Fire Company. Discussion was held on funding, grants, fundraisers, etc. Council members discussed the possibility of sharing the cost of a grant writer for the Fire Department with LeBoeuf Township, Rockdale Township and the Mill Village Volunteer Fire Company. Shawn McLaughlin suggested asking the EADS Group if they could find and apply for Grants for the MVVFC. The Fire Department recently purchased a new battery operated hurst tool and an Air System for Tanks.

Judges have been found for the Christmas Decorating Contest.

Mark Costello asked if Councilmembers perform a Yearly review of employees. Generally, a review is done every 2 years at the Re-Org meeting.

Mark Costello motioned to approve a \$100.00 Christmas Bonus for Ed Falconer and Catherine Wise. Sean Falconer seconded. Mark Costello, Shawn McLaughlin, Sean Falconer and Dave Alexander voted yes. Ed and Linda Falconer abstained. Motion carried.

Edward Falconer motioned to pay payroll and monthly bills for October 31, 2024, seconded by Mark Costello. All voted yes.

Council members talked about Erie County's \$100,000 grant that was applied for. Council members agreed to keep their application in the running for now. It was questioned whether the grant money can be used for sidewalks. The LSA Grant for \$344,450.00 will be signed for in the next 2 months. In regard to the Old Brick Building next to the new park, the borough talked about grants and what it could be used for.

Ed Falconer motioned to work with LeBoeuf Township in 2025 to improve Woods Road. LeBoeuf Township will place a milling base and perform the prep work. Mill Village Borough will pay for the tar & chip surface. Mill Village Borough will also tar & chip Church Street.

After a review of the 2025 Budget, Steve Yovich motioned to advertise the budget for review, Sean Falconer seconded, all voted yes. The Budget will be passed at the next meeting.

Ed and Tim will be taking the Military Banners down after Veterans Day.

General Comments from Council President: No Comment

General Comments from Solicitor: Absent

General Comments from the Mayor and Council:

Mayor Sam– spoke with the residents on South Main Street about the barking dog.

Councilman E. Falconer – stated that \$20.00 should be deducted from the Street light invoice due to the fact that one of the streetlights is staying on. The electric company will be contacted about the light again. Also, a street light is out on Church Street.

Councilman McLaughlin– No Comment

Councilman Alexander– No Comment

Councilman Yovich– No Comment

Councilman Costello – called the Fish & Game Commission and the DEP. He was given permission to remove the Ash Tree that fell into the creek, as long as the creek is not disturbed.

Councilman S. Falconer – No Comment

Steve Yovich moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Seconded by David Alexander. All in favor, motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday – **December 4, 2024** at **6:30 p.m.**