

Village of Easton

Regular Meeting – February 5, 2024

The regular meeting of the Easton Board of Trustees was held February 5, 2024. The meeting was held in the Village Hall and called to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Village President: Don Mustered III and Trustees: Charlene Fangmeier, Eric Ratliff, Louis Wagner, Zain Attebery, Brock Riggins and Noah Krause. Others in attendance were Josh Walters, Judy Miller, Joanna Mustered and Mike Burris. Absent – Chief Robbins.

2. **Public – None**

3. Minutes of the regular meeting held January 8 were read. Louis motioned to approve the minutes, with corrections. Brock seconded the motion. The motion carried with all eyes.

4. All bills were given to the Trustees for review and approval. Joanna explained all bills were normal for the month. She also informed the Board that the Watts Contract was due and the cost this year is \$367.66. Brock motioned to approve all the bills as presented, and to approve the annual contract with Watts Copy Systems. Noah seconded the motion. Voice vote taken and motion carried 6-0.

5. **Street Department:** Nothing to report.

Water/Sewer Department: Josh informed the Board that all past due accounts have been caught up as of this month. Don asked if Josh was aware of the pit cover on the 100 block of north Hayes was not completely covering the pit. Josh said he would order another cover to replace the one that is there now.

6. **Animal/Insect Report:** Nothing to report.

7. **Police Department:** Don read the police report as presented. Charlene inquired about the police car not being park in the garage when police are not on duty. Don will speak Chief Robbins about this.

8. **Treasurer's Report:** Judy presented the Treasurer's reports. Judy reported that the General Fund has normal monthly transactions. She reported the Debt Service account had an increase of over \$1,000 due to the new water improvement fee that is now on the water bills. All other funds were normal. A motion was made by Charlene and seconded by Louis to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried with all eyes.

9. **Old Business:**

- A. **Water/Sewer Improvement Project –** Mike Burris updated the Board on the progress of the water improvement project. He also presented an informational notice to include in the water bills regarding the upcoming water improvements. Joanna will post this notice

on the village Facebook page as well as run in the Mason County Democrat and the Banner Times.

10. New Business:

- A. Request by Tom's Tap & Grill – Don explained the owners of Tom's Tap & Grill ask to extend the current hours of operation one hour on weekdays and weekends. Louis motioned to extend the hours of operation one hour on weekdays and one hour on weekends, Brock seconded the motion. Voice vote taken: Charlene – N, Eric – Y, Louis – Y, Zain – Y, Brock – Y, and Noah – Y. Motioned carried.

- B. No Parking Signs – Don spoke with Sunrise Ag about the continuing ordinance violation of running semi trucks on their property. Sunrise Ag suggested No Parking signs be placed by the Village on the Sunrise Ag property. Eric motioned to approved purchase of the no parking signs to be placed on both sides of the Sunrise Ag property that will read “No Parking – Violators will be towed at the owner's expense”. Louis seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

11. Executive Session: None held.

12. Adjourn Meeting: Louis motioned at 6:20 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Eric seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

The next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2024.

Joanna Mustered – Village Clerk