

**Village of Mariemont  
Council Meeting  
April 24, 2023**

Mayor Bill Brown called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Mrs. Brownknight, Dr. Lewis, Mrs. Rankin, and Mr. York.

Mr. York moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin, to excuse the absence of Mr. Bartlett and Ms. Geldbaugh. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

Dr. Lewis moved, seconded by Mr. York, to amend the Council agenda to add two purchase requests. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York, to accept the Council Meeting minutes for March 27, 2023, as written. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

**Communications:**

\*From Assistant Fire Chief Copeland: March 2023 Monthly Report

\*From Fiscal Officer Ford: March 2023 Financial Reports

\*From Service Superintendent Scherpenberg: Spending Request Form: \$62,000 for Repairs for 2014 Ford 450. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York, to approve the spending request. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

\*From Police Chief Hines: Spending Request Form for outfitting the new police vehicle at a cost not to exceed \$15,418.02. It will include the computer and camera installation, lights, cages, etc. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York, to approve the spending request. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

\*From Mayor Brown: Spending Request for painting at the Pool House for a cost not to exceed \$6,000. The work is being done by a part-time firefighter. Of the four bids, his was the lowest. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York, to approve the spending request. On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

\*From Greg Sanders: Email Dated April 18, 2023 re: Transit Infrastructure Fund Application Grant. Mayor Brown referred the matter to the Public Works and Service Committee. Mr. York said work has begun on the list and will be discussed in the Committee.

**Permission to Address Council:**

**Motion to Pay the Bills:**

Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York, to pay the bills as submitted. On roll call: four ayes, no nays.

**Committee Reports:**

## **Miscellaneous:**

- Arbor Day will be held Friday April 28, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. at the Intersection of Wooster Pike and Oak Street
- Village Offices will be closed in Observance of Memorial Day Monday May 29, 2023
- Village Fireworks will be held Monday July 3, 2023, beginning at dusk.
- Village Offices will be closed in Observance of Independence Day Tuesday July 4, 2023
- Mayor Brown referred the renewal of Health/Dental/Life Insurance for Full-Time Employees to the Finance Department
- Mayor Brown moved the Pool Recommendations to the Safety Committee from the Health and Recreation Committee. It was determined that this is not setting a precedent, it has been done in the past with the approval of Council.

## **Resolutions:**

Mrs. Brownknight moved, seconded by Mr. York, to rescind the appointments of Kelly Rankin and Mike Kintner to the South 80 Trails, Gardens and Park Advisory Board (no open seats available). On roll call; four ayes, no nays.

“To Set Forth Building Permit Fee Schedule to be Utilized by the Village of Mariemont Building Department” had a third reading. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. York, to amend the Resolution to read \$100 gutters or roof (not \$80.00). On roll call; four ayes, no nays. Mrs. Brownknight moved, seconded by Mr. York, to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; four ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-12-23 was adopted.

“Resolution Creating a New Capital Project Fund for Dogwood Park” had a third reading. Mr. York moved, seconded by Mrs. Rankin, to adopt the Resolution. On roll call; four ayes, no nays. Resolution No. R-13-23 was adopted.

“Resolution Declaring the Necessity of Levying a Tax in Excess of the 10 Mill Limitation for Current Expenses and Requesting the County Auditor to Certify Matters in Connection Therewith” had a second reading. Fiscal Officer Ford said in order to put something on the ballot a resolution needs to be passed to ask the County Auditor to certify the amounts of the property value and what monies the levy would bring in. Mr. York said he would like to have discussions on whether the 3.0 mills is the correct amount.

“Resolution Declaring the Necessity of Levying a Tax in Excess of the 10 Mill Limitation for Recreational Purposes of the MariElders, Inc. and Requesting the County Auditor to Certify Matters in Connection Therewith” had a second reading.

“To Accept Bid of the Kleingers Group for the Rehabilitation of Dogwood Park” had a second reading. Dr. Lewis moved, seconded by Mrs. Brownknight to amend the wording to read “To Accept Bid of the Kleingers Group for the Construction Drawings for the Rehabilitation of Dogwood Park” on roll call; four ayes, no nays.

“To Appoint Brad Lockhart as a Member of the Parks Advisory Board for Calendar Year 2023” had a second reading.

“To Appoint Becca Vianello as a Member of the Pool Commission for the Calendar Year 2023 to Fulfill the Unexpired Term of Lorne Hlad” had a first reading.

## **Ordinances:**

“An Ordinance Authorizing Application and Contracting with the Ohio Public Works Commission, The Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority and Nature Works” had a third reading. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Mrs. Brownknight, to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; four ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-10-23 was adopted.

“To Amend Chapter 150.16 Building Permit Schedule of Fees” had a third reading. Mrs. Rankin moved, seconded by Dr. Lewis, to adopt the Ordinance. On roll call; four ayes, no nays. Ordinance No. O-11-23 was adopted.

Mayor Brown and Council wished Mrs. Rankin a Happy Birthday.

The Centennial celebration was well attended and was a tremendous success. Mayor Brown thanked everyone who contributed to the festivities.

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

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William A. Brown, Mayor

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Richard D. Ford, Fiscal Officer