

Council President Vance called the council meeting to order.

The Orrville Ministerial Association, Pastor Paul Simonsen, Orrville CMA Church, led the prayer. The pledge was recited.

Roll call. All present.

Standing Committee Reports

Health & Safety – Aspiras: No report. Will request a meeting early 2024 regarding Issue 2. Will have legislation on the Dec. 18th for a moratorium regarding Issue 2.

Ordinance & Personnel – Lorson: Resumes for the Ward 2 position due Dec. 6 with interviews on Dec. 11.

Administrative Reports

Mayor Handwerk: Board appointment. Those needing council approval are: Utility Board Steve Combs; Board of Zoning Appeals Kevin Domer and Al Lehman; Shade Tree Commission Kathy Clymer to replace Sue Vernon, Rolly Lehman to replace Matt Plybon, and renew Esther Leggett; and Design Review Board Adam Hanzie and Justin Haislip. Lorson moved to approve the list of appointees; Carr seconded. All ayes. Mayoral appointments Planning Commission Beth Landers renewal and Civil Service Commission renewal of Arlin Steiner.

Safety-Service Dept. – Wheeler: Leaf pick up continues. Orrville Firefighters Association held their annual banquet and recognized Jeff Lorson as the 2023 Firefighter of the year having been on the department for 50 years. This is Chief Birkbeck's last meeting tonight as he retires with 31 years of service. He was thanked for his leadership and service.

Utility Director Brediger: Utility Board will meet once in December, on the 11th, and be done for the year.

Finance Director Strimlan: It is time to renew the City's depository agreements. RFP's went out to four local financial institutions and advertised in the Daily Record for any other banks to submit proposals. Those will be reviewed and a recommendation will be made to council.

Old Business

Resolution 41-23, Lorson moved that it be placed on second reading. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Resolution 41-23**, A Resolution to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Orrville, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This is the 2024 temporary appropriations that allows us to spend money the first three months of 2024 until we do final appropriations in March. These are identical to the budget that was passed by council in June. The entire appropriations are \$62 million with \$8M allocated for the general fund and \$7M for the remaining tax supported funds and \$47M for the utilities.

Lorson moved to remove Resolution 42-23 from the agenda. Its sponsor has asked to withdraw it. Shanklin seconds. All ayes.

New Business

Ordinance L-23, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Shanklin seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Ordinance L-23**, An Ordinance repealing and replacing Section 505.19 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Orrville, Ohio, regarding housing of certain animals.

Discussion: Very similar to what we saw earlier this summer (Ord E-23). After the second reading it was determined to go to Planning Commission. They recommended against it.

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Another citizen requested to change the ordinance and that is why this is before you. We will have a public hearing before the start of the next council meeting.

Resolution 43-23, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Squirrel seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Resolution 43-23**, A Resolution authorizing the City of Orrville, Ohio, to sell by internet auction, or otherwise dispose of, unclaimed or forfeited property held by the Police Department in the year 2024

Discussion: Resolution 43-23 and 44-23 are both housekeeping resolutions allowing us to sell surplus or forfeited property from the police department and city administration including utilities. Could be unclaimed bikes, vehicles, cell phones, misc. equipment. It's been very successful.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Shanklin seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that **Resolution 43-23** be adopted as read. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Resolution 44-23, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Squirrel seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Resolution 44-23**, A Resolution authorizing the City of Orrville to sell by internet auction, or otherwise dispose of Municipal personal property in the year 2024.

Discussion: This was spoken of in the previous legislation 43-23.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that **Resolution 44-23** be adopted as read. Carr seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried.

Good of the Order

Lorson: Congratulations to his brother Jeff Lorson as OFFA Firefighter of the year and offered up his accolades. And thanked Chief Birkbeck for his time and service.

Mosley: Chief Birkbeck leaves the department better than what he found it in and gave thanks.

Handwerk: Thanked the Chief for keeping us safe.

Chief Birkbeck: Thanked the council. Many agencies don't have the support you give us as well as our past councils. My job is a lot of fun but this is a good time to transition to new leadership. Appreciate all the support over the years.

Mayor: Thanked Chief Birkbeck for everything and for coming to our meetings to keep us safe.

Shanklin: Matt deserves a round of applause.

Aspiras: To Chief Birkbeck, thank you. You've been a great leader. It has been an honor.

Adjournment

Lorson moved to adjourn the council meeting; Squirrell seconded. All ayes; motion passes.

Our next regular meeting will be December 18, 2023. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Date

Paul Vance, President of Council