

Village of Rothbury  
Village Council Meeting  
December 17, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rothbury Village Council was called to order in the Village Hall by President Vern Talmadge at 7:01 PM.

Council members present were Autum Drake, Mike Harris, Jim Fekken, Denise Kurdziel, Troy Voorhees and Dylan Zuniga.

Also present were Treasurer Deb Murphy, Police Chief Ethan Walker, Officer Tom Walicki, DPW Director Scott Beishuizen, Andy Roberts, Cliff Cudney, Stephanie Tallquist, Julie Trevino, Chris Oracz, Jayne Silvers, The Canales Family, Sandra Bailey, Brandon Walsworth, Madalyn Beegle, Ethan Wood, Hayden Walsh, Calli Magaluk, Isaac Neinhouse.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the prior meetings minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer Deb Murphy gave the monthly Treasurers report, asking council for approval to pay Jeff Furman an additional \$129.09 to cover the cost of the sign for Czarny Park that he had paid out of pocket.

Motion made by Mike Harris to pay Jeff Furman the additional funds requested in the amount of \$129.09, seconded by Jim Fekken. 7 ayes, 0 nays motion carried.

Clerk Brandy Williams asked Council for approval on proposed budget amendments, requesting to move

\$3000.00 from Unallocated to Police Uniforms 101-301-750.00

\$60,000.00 from Unallocated to Capital Outlay 101-301-970.00

for a total of \$63,000.00 leaving a balance of \$194,343.20 in unallocated.

Motion made by Denise Kurdziel to approve the budget amendments as presented to pay for police uniforms, radios, accessories and vests. Motion seconded by Autum Drake.

7 ayes, 0 nays, motion passed.

Chief Walker gave the monthly police report, updating Council on complaints and assists to other departments,.

Planning Commission Chair and Zoning Administrator Mike Harris advised Council that there was no Planning Commission meeting held in December. Dylan Zuniga will be getting the community survey discussed and approved at the prior meeting ready to be sent immediately after the Holidays. Zoning updates included a letter sent to the owner of Green Lawn Trailer Park regarding continued violations and is awaiting a response.

Recreation Director Brandy Williams announced to Council that the Village of Rothbury has received notice that the DNR Recreation Passport Grant that was applied for was awarded to the Village of Rothbury in the amount of \$150,000.00.

Santa Visited the Village Hall with gifts, cocoa and cookies for local children on Saturday the 14th with a larger turnout than last year.

RCC Director Deb Murphy advised that the Community Center is in its slow time, but bookings will pick back up.

DPW Director Scott Beishuizen informed council that it has been slow with such little snow so far this year and that Bruce has been working on indoor projects.

President Talmadge presented council with meeting dates for 2025, suggesting we keep the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Village Hall.

Motion made by Mike Harris to approve suggested meeting dates, seconded by Jim Fekken. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Brandy Williams asked for council approval to purchase gift cards from a local business for Village employees.

Motion made by Mike Harris, seconded by Troy Voorhees to allow Brandy to purchase the annual gifts for Village employees. 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion passes.

Council discussed finalists and chose winners for the Village Holiday Light Decorating Contest. A first, second and third place winner was chosen with prizes to be delivered before Christmas.

President Talmadge updated Council on the progress on the annexation of the Community Center advising that it goes before the County Board of Commissioners on December 19 for final approval and that he would be in attendance of the meeting.

Denise Kurdziel reminded council that we need to think about setting up committee meetings and compiling wish lists to be ready before the February meeting so that all can be considered for the upcoming fiscal year budget.

President Talmadge to make any updates needed to committee assignments and send out.

Public Comment.

Meeting adjourned 7:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandy Williams

Clerk