

**VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
2024-3-28**

ATTENDANCE

Erica Nikolic, President Brian Thompson, Finance Director
Johnnie Warren, President Pro Tem*
Taunya Scruggs, Ward 1
Eloise Hardin, Ward 2
Paggie Matlock, Ward 3*
Mary Davis, Ward 4
Candace Williams, Ward 5

ABSENT

Tom Haba, Service Director Daniel Marinucci, Chief Bldg. Official
Ross Cirincione, Prosecutor James Climer, Law Director
Matt Jones, Village Engineer Brian Dirocco, Fire Department
Carlean Perez – Recreation Director Mark Garratt, Police Department
Gary V Gottschalk, Mayor

** Arrived after roll call*

Meeting opened at 5:09pm by Nikolic
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call taken

Nikolic: Agenda item number four permanent appropriations. **Hardin:** Excuse me, you said number four? **Nikolic:** Agenda item number four is permanent appropriations on the agenda. **Williams:** Did you know that our Finance Director was coming? **Nikolic:** Is our Finance Director present? **Thompson:** Present. **Nikolic:** So, having completed roll call. Okay. Moving on to agenda, item number four, permanent appropriations. Let's begin our discussions of the 2024 permanent appropriations. **Davis:** Well, I just opened the first page. It has all these adjustments, and nothing's written. So, this is a new thing that we're going... **Thompson:** No, it's been there for years. When we get through all of this, I may need to make some adjustments. It's been some years before I had to do that. But I just leave it in there just in case. It's kind of like (inaudible) yearly audits, every time we do an adjustment you have to (inaudible). **Davis:** Okay. **Thompson:** And that's revenues. **Davis:** Right, I understand, so we do expecting it, but we don't know. **Thompson:** Right. **Davis:** Okay, all right. **Nikolic:** So, would you all propose we go through page by page and take a quick look. Or what's the process? If we just go page by page or have everyone had a chance to review it in full before? What are your thoughts on how we should do this. **Hardin:** The chair, she got something she (inaudible). **Nikolic:** Question is Finance Committee Chair Williams Would you prefer we go page by page through the budget to discuss. Or would you rather... how would you like to review? I'll hand it off to you for the discussion. **Williams:** (inaudible) have you had time to review it? **Davis:** I have not. **Williams:** So, do you want to go line by line. Or do you want to go by if you have specific questions? **Thompson:** I have a quick comment too. The one I sent initially; it did have some errors. So, thank you, Ms. Williams, for seeing that. So, I amended the exhibit and one of the very important things is that

the revenues are higher than the expenses. So, I gave you a summary sheet on the last page. Where we can peruse back through it. If you look at that last page, 52 of 53. So, I went back and amended things. I showed the year 2024 revenues for the special revenue funds. Then I showed them the appropriations. The revenue funds is \$5.5 million, the appropriation of \$3.9 million. Then I did the general funds in the same manner, so, \$11 million four. Then the general fund appropriations, which we have requested each year at \$5.3 million and some change. Then I summarize both the general fund and special revenue. It's like \$17,023,000 and the permanent appropriation for 2024 is 9,330,000. **Davis:** You said the last page may I ask? **Thompson:** Yeah, the last page, I just did like a summary. **Williams:** All right, I have some specific questions because I did look at the last one in detail. And so, I believe I know where the changes were. So, if we look at page 23, in the budget. The revenue for page 23, the SCMR. And I'm just talking about this one right now is 835,290.99, right? **Thompson:** Yeah. **Williams:** But if we look at what we're appropriating right now it's \$620,000. But that exceeds the 50% level. **Thompson:** Yeah, there are some obligations I have to pay. That miscellaneous contractual based on the legislation you approve or some of Ed's projects. So, I mean, I got it at half, but the \$835K is more revenue than the (inaudible). And that can always be amended. Just wanted to make sure that we didn't lose any grants or anything. Per our compensation from Matt, in making expenditures for some projects. **Williams:** So, the conversation with Matt, what I would have thought would have been important is what needs to be paid through June 30th. **Thompson:** Right. **Williams:** Did he give you this exact \$419,000? Did he give you these figures? **Thompson:** What I did, in standing force of duress. I just took the amount from previous year and did a half. **Williams:** Okay, but we also have to be sure that. Since it's 50%, that our 50% is not exceeding 50% of what we expect to have incoming, right? So, if the revenue was only \$835,000, half of that would be \$417,645.50. So, our \$620K shouldn't exceed that. Unless, the Engineer has confirmed that there are specific amounts. Up and through June 30th that we need to go over to that figure. If he hasn't confirmed that, then there is no reason for us to exceed the 50%. **Thompson:** On the special revenues, you got to look at it holistically. I know you're honing in on one line. But I set the revenues in place that would cover these various expenses. **Williams:** Yeah, but... **Thompson:** We would be in compliance with the \$800,000, even though that \$419,000 may not be the final number from Matt. To make sure, we had to come back and amend it. **Williams:** So, here's the question because we only want to amend what we're going to amend. For very specific reasons, not just to make accommodations. If we don't need to pay all of these. If this \$620,000 is not going to be expended by June 30th. Then it needs to be at the \$417,645.50, it needs to be 50% of that revenue. So, we will make an amendment here. I don't know if you can get him on the phone. But what we need to know is if you need in excess of 50% of this revenue number. Because that's where the threshold should be for right now. We can amend it any time at any meeting. We can call a special need to amend it, so we can make changes. And that's what I'm going to recommend. That if we need to amend next week we do that. But that we set everything at the 50%. So, we're clear that no more than 50% will be spent. **Hardin:** Madam Chair, if I'm not mistaken, I think you asked the Finance Director if to include those numbers and we were made fully aware of. That is due now, remember he said certain amounts were due right now, before June. **Thompson:** Before June, coming into June. **Hardin:** Yes, he told us what those were, yes? So, we do know what those are. **Thompson:** Matt is going to give me a summary, I didn't get a chance. **Hardin:** Okay, but you... **Thompson:** There was like \$1.4 million in terms of what you had to pay. So, this is really a small portion. **Williams:** It was but what he was saying was that. Some of that wouldn't be due until the later end of the year.

And some of that I do remember him saying some of it will be due in April or May. But it wasn't nowhere near the \$417,000, I think it was \$284,000. So, let's do that, let's set it at 50%. So, that we're all on the same page. And we don't have these certain funds that are off or out of that range. Let's set everything a 50%, so let's make that the limit. And then if we need to come back here next week and do a special meeting to change something, that's due. We know nothing is due next week. That'll give you a little bit of time to get back in touch with him. And let him know the urgency of what is going to be due by June 30th. **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** What needs to be in this SCMR fund. **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** And then I saw another one that was out of that 50% range. **Hardin:** Ma'am. Chair, can I make sure I understand what you're saying? So, the \$419, 500 is the 50% number, and that's the only number we're going with? **Williams:** The 50% is \$417,645. **Hardin:** Right, isn't that what I say? **Williams:** That's 50%, no you said something else. It doesn't matter if it's 50% of this \$835,290. 99. **Hardin:** Okay, thank you. **Williams:** And so, another one I see like that is page 37. The ambulance bill fund, we definitely want to make sure we have some restrictions around that. Because we haven't gotten the detailed receipts for that fund in the past several years. That we are able to review just yet. So half of that is \$172,500, and it's at \$182,271.08. **Nikolic:** Where are you at Councilperson Williams? **Williams:** Page 37. **Thompson:** (inaudible). **Williams:** And if we have specific things then we just need to know where we're at and why. And what those specific things are. **Thompson:** I had some (inaudible) I had to commit to. The year-to-date already I have \$43,600 so... **Hardin:** Going out? **Thompson:** Yeah, in February, this would be one that I'd make sure I check. Because those lease payments kind of come up semi-annual. So, \$345K divided by (inaudible), we can drop it. And then if I confirm those lease payments, then we can amend it. **Williams:** Okay, so page 42 is another one. **Hardin:** Can I go back? So, what should it be? **Thompson:** She wants to put it at \$172,500 on the appropriation side, which is half the revenue. We're pretty much going through the concepts. She is identifying funds which total revenues and then go half of what revenue we get. **Williams:** So yes, it's half of the appropriations for last year. But it also needs to be no more than half of our revenue as well. **Hardin:** Thank you, Madam Chair. **Nikolic:** And so, the number you're looking at is \$124,550 is incorrect? **Williams:** It's the \$182,000, the \$182,271.08 is more than half of the \$345,000. So, if our revenue for that account is only going to be \$345,000, 50% of that is \$172,500. So, in addition to being 50% of our 2023 appropriations. It also needs to be 50% of our revenue for that specific account. So, some of these may be off a little bit. But we don't want to spend more than half of that account at half of the year, essentially June 30th. **Thompson:** You get to \$172,500; it could be several (inaudible) more than likely, at least slightly. **Nikolic:** But all of the revenues that are in here are estimated, right? **Thompson:** Yes. **Nikolic:** Okay. **Williams:** Which means that, yeah, they could be less or more. Page 42, the Opioid settlement only has \$20,000. So, we just have the appropriation of that \$10,000. **Hardin:** Would you repeat, Madam Chair? **Williams:** Opioid settlement, page 42, our total for that is going to be \$20,000. But we have our appropriation set at \$11,000. So, it just needs to be reduced to \$10,000. **Hardin:** Yes, ma'am. **Matlock:** You said it's at \$20,000? **Williams:** It's at \$20,000. **Matlock:** I thought it was at \$22,000. **Williams:** That's last year's appropriation. **Matlock:** Oh, this year is \$20,000, (inaudible), okay. **Williams:** And then could you talk us through page 44 the bond retirement? **Thompson:** Yeah, with the revenues categories and real estate taxes, (inaudible) I set the transfer-in at half of what it was last year. And the note and bond proceeds, we're going to have our note coming up a little earlier this year. So, I'm going to have to receipt the funds then pay it out per the bond counsel's levels. So, I really didn't want to have that too low. Because those bond

payments will be really important. But I can check the bond counsel and see what the exact dollar is. And confirm if it needs to be reduced. But this is one I really didn't want to play around with. **Nikolic:** What's receipt the... you said receipt the funds. Can you clarify what that means? **Thompson:** Yeah, we were just talking about the receipt that goes into that bond fund. And there's certain tax rates that's been voted years ago. When they give me my settlement sheet. A portion of those receipts go into the bond fund. So, that's what I have pretty much for the real estate and the trailer. The transfer-in is pretty much the additional support needed to make the payments for the general fund. So, that's my transfer-in, and that \$135,000 you can see on the page with the general fund. It is the exact amount coming down to that fund. And the note and bond what they do, they go out to market. They'll go out for the note, sell the note, and I'll receive the funds. But then it'll be short of what the payment is. Because I'm paying down, because I'm trying to get that note paid down more and more. So, I have a portion to pay on the note as well. So, those receipts are just a summary of all the receipts coming in so I can make the payment. **Williams:** So, very specific question, bond counsel fees. Do they go to Stuczynski? Is that his name? **Thompson:** No, it's Mike Sharb. **Williams:** Who's that? **Thompson:** The bond counsel. **Williams:** They do something different than Stuczynski? **Thompson:** Yeah, when those legislations come before you. He usually reviews all that information and adjusts the amounts according to what we're going to do. You know, we'll go out to market to sell and he plays a major role in that. Just looking over the form for the legislation. **Williams:** And so, is his fee paid according to a percentage of something? Or is that just a fee, that he just tells you that's the fee and we pay it? **Thompson:** No, they have a fee worked in when they sell the notes for the proceeds. **Williams:** Do you know typically when you have to pay him that fee? **Thompson:** Pretty much when the deal happens that day, they get dispersed their fees. **Williams:** And do you know when this deal should be taking place? **Thompson:** Usually, it's in September but I am pretty sure we're moving it up to June. **Williams:** So, the September date that it typically happens falls beyond June. But now you're saying there's going to be moved into June. Is that because we just set this at 50%? **Thompson:** It was because they didn't want to... in the past we've had some timing issues. In terms of when Council ends for the summer, and they go on break. So, they wanted to move back a little earlier in the year. That was the reason for that. **Williams:** For us to get through the process. **Thompson:** Yeah, do the note earlier in the year. **Williams:** Talk to me about when the principal and the interest typically are due. **Thompson:** Some of that personal interest is semi-annual. **Williams:** So when would you typically pay? **Thompson:** Like July and December. **Williams:** Okay, so July is after June 30th. So, we may not even need this \$1,800,000 or \$47,000 until after June 30th... **Thompson:** It's going to be about maybe \$1.6 million, you have... **Williams:** You got appropriated \$1,800,000, right? **Thompson:** Right and that count for upcoming... I usually pay it a little bit early in June, that first semiannual payment. **Williams:** Okay, so you have enough appropriated here. Sounds like you said it was at \$1.6 million. You have here \$1.8million, but you're saying it won't come due till July... **Thompson:** June into December, I usually pay that first semiannual a little bit earlier. **Williams:** June or July? **Thompson:** June. **Williams:** And last year you paid it in June or July? **Thompson:** June, it's on that (inaudible). **Williams:** Okay, so the dates are June 1st and December 1st? **Thompson:** Yes. **Williams:** Okay, and you know for a fact that these are good? Because you said (inaudible) first and then you switch to June. **Thompson:** I know it's going to be June and December. **Williams:** Okay, because what I'm looking at is 50% and that would be \$1,357,000. So, we got about \$500,000 extra in there. This is what I'm trying to get a handle on for us right now as we do this. It is not having any accounts or funds padded in such a way that

you can move fluidly through the funds. We have more control and awareness of what exactly is being spent where. So, I just want to be sure that if we have moneys in an account that exceeds the 50%. But we have very specific reasoning as to why we need more than 50%. **Thompson:** I understand that. **Hardin:** With that being said, how can we make certain. If we allow for that, I guess, fluff to be there. How can we make certain that it isn't moved before we look at it?

Thompson: The fund, I wouldn't call it fluff... **Hardin:** Well, I'm not trying to say... **Thompson:** This is a very serious fund right here. And if you default in your payments or something. It could be detrimental for us. **Hardin:** Right. **Thompson:** Those payments will be shown in June and July. If you want to lower it down... **Williams:** June and July? **Thompson:** I'm sorry, I'm sorry, June and December that's when my annuals are coming. So, we really need to be on point with making those deadlines. It's a serious payment I have to make. **Matlock:** So, let me ask you another question. **Thompson:** Yeah. **Matlock:** When or before it becomes due. Is there any way, for instance, if you need more. That you can give us information... **Hardin:** (inaudible) Transfers is what we're talking about. **Matlock:** Right. **Hardin:** Any and all transfers, that's the only way we... **Matlock:** That you need more ahead of time. So, Candace would know what the reasoning is. And then we can kind of make do on this at the time that is due to make sure we are not defaulting in any areas. **Thompson:** Right, if it's the pleasure of Council you could lower it. But we definitely need to act and raise it. I'll go back and summarize payment, interest, and counsel fees. Really give me some type of information. **Matlock:** You need to make sure we're not defaulting in anything on a bond. **Thompson:** Right, so if we lower, we definitely need to come back. Maybe even safely in May or, you know, sometime late April. **Williams:** I'm okay with that, we're working diligently on the budget. So, we're going to be okay. **Matlock:** I'm fine with it. **Williams:** Okay, so let's set it at 50%. **Scruggs:** Can you put on your calendar in May. Maybe either the first meeting or the second meeting in May. To present information to us of what you think is upcoming. So, we will already be ready to talk about it in May. And know what we need to have ready for you for June. **Thompson:** Yeah, sure, they usually give me like a real nice summary of what we're going to be doing and the fees. So, I'll have the Bond Counsel forward that to you with exact. For the time being, we can lower it to 50%. **Williams:** Okay, and then just a follow up question. I heard you say June 1st and December 1st. Are you invoiced and then you have a net 30 so you can pay within 30 days? **Thompson:** No net 30, I get a invoice. **Williams:** Invoices due on that day. **Thompson:** Yes. **Williams:** So, you submit electronically that day to pay? **Thompson:** Yeah, I do. **Williams:** Those are the only accounts that... **Hardin:** So, what is the number? Is this half, where we are? **Thompson:** Yeah, half the revenue for that fund would be... **Williams:** \$1,357,701.61. **Hardin:** Thank you. **Williams:** Looking at page 47, the revenue, the receipts for that fund is going to be \$120,000. You have our appropriation set at \$120,000. Can you walk us through that? **Thompson:** A portion of some of these bond payments is for this 501 fund. So, it can be on the same aspect. We can lower that to \$60,000 and I'll get the information for exact payment. Because it's got to (inaudible) payment as well. **Williams:** We don't intend to belabor this. We're going to come back and meet every Monday in April. And make sure we move through all of these funds and line items again. **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** So, that we can begin to look at increases, pay ordinances. So, we're not going to wait until June 30th, that's our intention. So, you shouldn't be up against any deadline. But that doesn't mean we want you to wait. We would like for you to get us these for the street projects, ambulance billing fund, and the Bond Counsel. We would like for you to know exactly what needs to be expended by June 30th, as soon as possible. We don't want to delay on getting that information. **Thompson:** Okay. **Nikolic:** So, what was the situation on page 47? The

appropriations don't look like they're half at the bottom of the page. **Thompson:** Yeah, 47, the revenue was projected a little over \$120,000. So, I'll take the same concept as we're paying the bonds. And there is a steady payment out of this fund. So, we're just going to lower it to \$60,000 and I'll acquire the information needed to support to come back. So, I'm saying (inaudible) your memo to make sure we don't have any delay in payment. **Nikolic:** Okay, so the \$60,000 will be on the final line? **Thompson:** Yeah, on the on the bottom half in the appropriations. **Williams:** If we take a look at page 48 the same, it's very similar. And I'm guessing that these are payments that NEOSD or whoever bills us. Bills are very specific time frame. It's at \$335,000, half of that would be \$167,500, and we're appropriated at \$218,000. So, do you have fees that you know will come in excess of that 50% by June 30th? **Thompson:** This is going to be another one I'll consulted with Matt. This is all contingent upon some of these sewer projects they're projecting. So, I'll get that same summary as I'm going to do for the street SCMR. And the exact amount and time it needs to be paid. So, we'll follow through with the same concept. To lower, you pay \$48,000 to half of \$335,000. **Nikolic:** So, the idea is we're going to make these changes, and we need to come back to approve before that. **Thompson:** I know we (inaudible) floor, but we're we looking to pass tonight? Or are you just submitting them on the floor. **Nikolic:** You have to make the changes first? **Thompson:** Yeah, I can change the exhibit. **Williams:** We'll need to amend these on the floor tonight. We will expect that you will amend these as we go back and rehash and restate. And we'll expect that what you submit to the County. **Thompson:** Yes. **Williams:** I don't see why there would be any reason because we have other pieces of legislation. Could you change these and get the exhibits back to us tonight before we leave? And we can make this the final piece of legislation. **Thompson:** Yeah, I can go to my office. **Williams:** On page 50, can you walk us through this? Because I was a little unclear about some of the language here. Like this deposit return, I'm guessing it's for people to receive money back. But I see it's exceeding the 50% for the actual receipt. **Thompson:** Yeah, I think about a thousand. But this is where we take the money for the senior center rental fund. And a portion gets returned, so (in audible) returns next year. **Williams:** When you say senior center rental, you mean using the community center? **Thompson:** Yeah, sorry. **Williams:** So, we'll set that at \$4,000. **Thompson:** Okay, I'm not sure what the meadows escrow is for on page 51. **Thompson:** Yeah, it is a small balance in there. Years ago, there was a development agreement where they set aside some money (inaudible) meadows. In that fund right now it is \$825, so, I just set it at that balance for expenditure. **Williams:** Has that money been sitting there since 2008? **Thompson:** Yeah, the final balance has in terms of the receipts and expenses. So, this is the last portion of the... **Williams:** Last year, we appropriated \$3,800. Did we spend any of those funds last year? **Thompson:** No, you pretty much have to set that appropriation with the fund balance. I think there was something, sometimes with Tommy, like if he has a mailbox or something. That may have gotten torn down, we'll made expenditures. So, all we have left now is the \$825. Having said that, the fund balance that we started this year. **Williams:** (inaudible). **Nikolic:** So, Brian is money still coming into that account. **Thompson:** No, no it's done. That's why I just set it as the level of the fund balance. We're not going to get any more dollars in that fund. I just set it at the correct fund balance. **Nikolic:** Do we need to appropriate it to something that's finished? **Thompson:** I appropriated the full amount, it's only \$825.20 in the fund balance. So, that's all you can spend. It's okay to set it at \$412.60. **Nikolic:** Can't we just move that back to the general fund? Or do we need to... I'm just trying to figure out... **Thompson:** It has specific use, (inaudible) spend the money and then close out the fund. **Nikolic:** Okay, so if the money's still there. It has to sit there until it's used and then the fund can be closed? **Thompson:** Yes. **Nikolic:**

Okay. **Davis:** Does it get interest each month, I mean, every year? **Thompson:** I mean, for all funds on the books, it's in total dollars. So, I do invest the dollars in (inaudible) Ohio because they're very aggressively giving like a 5% interest now. So, like when you look at your cash report, you see all the dollars. I invest some of those dollars in (inaudible) Ohio. So, if you do get the interests, I mean, it can't be closer to a certain fund. **Davis:** Are they aware that we have this one still? **Williams:** We are now. **Hardin:** You said that it was based on the developer?

Thompson: Yeah, developers agreement, it was legislated probably back in 2008. You can probably find the history on that. **Hardin:** Well, if you look, I think if you look at how it how we dealt with it in the past. After so many years, it does go to the general fund, does it not?

Thompson: (inaudible) no claimed funds. **Hardin:** So, we had vote and remember. There was a period of time that we looked at those funds and we closed them out. **Thompson:** Yeah. **Hardin:** So, look it up and see how long it sits there. **Davis:** Just to validate, yeah. **Nikolic:** (inaudible) point of clarification, Brian, so I think what confused me is because we said that these were estimated revenues. But what you're saying is, it was the exact amount that's sitting in the account. So, I can't really... **Thompson:** Most of them are estimated but some of these funds are coming to an end of balances. It wouldn't be an estimate, I'm kind of just setting that amount. You know, I got 3 or 4 of them on the books, it's like \$100,000. So, I know no more money is coming in. So, I'll just have the amount of the fund. So, you're right about that. It's not an estimate on that particular one, it's the actual funds. But I could probably go through and note that to add some more clearly. **Williams:** Maybe it will help if you explain to her why some are estimates and why some actually have balances. **Thompson:** Yeah, pretty much according to budget process. Because the revenues you're not leaning on. You never know what you're going to collect on income tax or real estate and stuff. So, we kind of put the estimates in place. The estimates should be higher than the expenses. So, when I turn in my certificate to the County. They give me a DNE, you know the "do not exceed." So, that's some of the process, that's why we have estimates. But when I put that certificate together, I'm doing these estimates. And when I get to the funds that have just these pretty much end of use on the fund. They just got the small balance, that's all I'll list. And I won't put any new income coming in. **Williams:** But we can also never appropriate more than we have received in an account. That is a black and white finding. So, we have to be sure that when we appropriate, whether it's estimated or not. We are not appropriating more than what we're going to receive in our accounts. **Thompson:** That's correct. **Williams:** All right, page 53, can you walk us through. **Thompson:** It's a clearing fund, sometimes we have these PC deposits from developers and contractors. The Building submits to us, they will make a deposit. And it's kind of like a customer bond your holding on to you. And once the Building Department gets to a point where the project is done. They send up a sheet saying, okay, we went through everything on the project. Go ahead and give the bond back to the contractor. So, this is where I make those expenditures. **Williams:** So, I'm assuming that in 7799.59110, is that the DEP period? Is that deposit? Is that what that stands for? **Warren:** Customer bond deposit. **Thompson:** Yeah, I mean, the deposit (inaudible) revenue. But it probably could be customer bond expense. **Williams:** That's what was confusing to me. **Thompson:** Yeah, so I can amend that. **Williams:** Or customer bond deposit refund or something. But it was confusing to me. **Thompson:** Yeah, deposit refund would probably be more appropriate. So, I'll make the adjustment on that explanation. **Williams:** So, are we expecting to receive \$11,373 in that particular fund? **Thompson:** Um, just kind of estimating, I think I just sent that to Ed. That particular one, I just set it... actually, correction not estimated. I just kind of said at the fund balance. We will probably get some revenue depending on projects

that come from the Building Department. But for that particular one, I just set it, like the one we just talked about; with the beginning balance. **Williams:** Okay, can you go through the additional lines you have? **Thompson:** Yeah, just wanted to add a little more clarity. Because the point you're making to the body Council. Just wanted to show you that if you add up all these special revenue funds on the revenue side. And if you go down and add the expense. You can see that the revenue is way higher than the expense. And also, I did it for the general fund. Of course, with some of these changes. These appropriation level is going to be down. But it will still be under the estimations and beginning fund balances for 2024. **Williams:** You were just kind of putting a summary... **Thompson:** Yes. **Williams:** It's not related in any way? **Thompson:** No. **Williams:** Can we start that at the 50%, the \$8,250? **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** I have \$5,686.75. **Thompson:** Okay, you want half of the revenue and not the \$8,250. **Williams:** And then our last three pages, well for me. They're at the end of mine, pages 26, 27, 28. Page 26 does not seem to be at all... it looks like we appropriated the entire amount. **Thompson:** Page 26 is recreation budget and what I was trying to do is, I did half of it. Since we had to have half in the appropriations. Where I did half of it, it was only \$54,500 transferred in. So, I had to make that one balance. You know, so it's below the \$75,000 anticipated for me to receive funds. **Hardin:** Is that realistic, though? I mean, are you saying... **Thompson:** Oh yeah, yeah with the recreation activity now. It's pretty close to somewhat estimate of what we had last year. (inaudible). **Hardin:** I remember last year we did not increase it, remember? **Thompson:** You're talking about the Rec. Fund in total. **Hardin:** In total. **Thompson:** We actually reduced it. **Hardin:** Okay. **Williams:** Is this the newest number the \$223,000? **Thompson:** Yeah, that transferred in and I put half of it. So, when I did the half. There was no way I could have those expenditures, you know, higher than that. And then if you take the revenue \$75,254.14 and divide that by two. You'll be down to \$37,000... **Williams:** I mean, this is one of the funds that we would definitely like to go through expenses more. So, I definitely don't want to appropriate more than 50%. And have things be spent before we get a chance to say, yeah, that will be on this year's budget. **Thompson:** Okay, I guess if you lowered it. If anything, we won't have a summer camp expenses until you know, later. **Davis:** It starts June. **Nikolic:** It doesn't start until June, right? **Thompson:** Yeah, June, July, or something like that. The summer camp line if you look at it holistically. Only thing I'll just keep a close monitor on is just the salaries. It sounds like we're not looking to prolonged all the way to June. If I have to make an amendment so... **Williams:** So, just to note the beginning balance is \$4, essentially, and we transferred in \$54,000. **Thompson:** Last year, was like a hundred something thousand; so I cut it in half. **Williams:** What level were we going to set this at? **Nikolic:** Would he be doing the \$54,000 or half at the \$75,000? **Thompson:** Well, his rec program he presented to you was quite a bit more. I thought it was like a hundred something thousand, this is just half. That's how much I had to adjust it. Because when I reduce that transfer, it was only \$54,500. So, I made the fund balance for the expenses. Because it couldn't have been half, it couldn't have been half of \$223,000, from last year. **Williams:** So, tell me what the \$75,000 is representing. Because I'm not sure I'm clear. **Thompson:** On the revenue side? **Williams:** Yes. **Thompson:** Okay, they pay, you know, residents, for some of these recreational activities. I have to get the list from Carlean. There is a nine-week summer program charge. Something dealing with the kids. I'm sure it's during the camp time. Where they have like one of the camp counselors do this epic year program. I'm pretty sure those two were during the camp period. Carlean has to elaborate more. But what they do is, they pay to have their kids watched or something. While they are going through the program. **Nikolic:** I'm sorry, it was the \$75,000 for? **Williams:** What does that number represent? **Thompson:** You looking

up top, the \$75, 254? **Williams:** Yes. **Thompson:** Oh, that's the total of the total revenues. The \$54,000, the \$4, the \$750, that's just a summary of all of what will be anticipated in the fund. **Nikolic:** Of those top? **Thompson:** Yeah, so you add the \$3,000, the \$17,000, \$750, \$4.14, and \$54,000. **Warren:** So, we should have a total or something down at the bottom. **Nikolic:** Okay. **Thompson:** Yeah. **Williams:** So, this is typically a fund that we transfer a whole lot of money into. Where do we want to set the levels at? **Scruggs:** \$37,000 half of the \$75,000. **Nikolic:** Because essentially the program doesn't start until July. Is it July that you said? **Scruggs:** Maybe it is the end of June. **Thompson:** Did he leave a flyer over there? **Scruggs:** No, he took it. **Thompson:** I think it's at the end of June, kids are out of school. **Matlock:** When do kids go out of school? Like May? **Thompson:** Depends on... **Matlock:** Is it right after May? **Scruggs:** It is June. **Warren:** Do we have to make advance payments or something towards certain functions or something like that? **Thompson:** When he does go into the grant program. There are some advanced payments to some of those instructors that are affiliated with John Carroll. So, we do make some advance payments. **Nikolic:** But you wouldn't exceed half of \$75,000, would it. **Hardin:** If you only put that much there, then that's where it stops. **Thompson:** (inaudible) the Mayor would know, he pretty much got some of these people in line to get a number. **Williams:** Here's what's confusing to me. This is 204 we're talking about, right? **Thompson:** Yes. **Williams:** The other day we received something that said the total expenses for wages were \$82,151. But here you have \$39,397. 50. **Davis:** \$82,000 is what she received in 2023. **Thompson:** No what happens is when the Mayor goes into this summer camp program. He likes to have like one line for summer camp, it's all of the activities and the camp counselors. But I have to explain to him that we're not (inaudible) accounts. The payment for those counselors had to stay in that wage line item. So, it's just a matter of making sure that lines up properly. That's why I was like \$82,000, because it's Carlean and all those camp counselors. That I have to put in my wage line item. **Nikolic:** So, then this year when you did the budget, it was like \$55,000. So, you took... **Thompson:** Yes. **Nikolic:** But you took the counselors out? **Thompson:** Yes, and that's why it was lower than \$82,000. **Nikolic:** But there was no line item for them. **Thompson:** For them... **Nikolic:** The counselors. **Thompson:** They're just in wages, you have to get a payroll report. And you can see it in that summary I gave for you for year end. You can probably see that department who was the camp counselors. **Nikolic:** On that budget that we looked at. I didn't see a line item for camp counselors. **Thompson:** I mean, I'll have to create a new charging account to say camp counselors. **Scruggs:** What he's saying is, that's where the camp counselors money is dumped into the wages. There is no additional line item. **Nikolic:** No, I know, but for this year he took it out because it said \$55,000 instead of \$88,000. But it wasn't indicated on the line items where it went under recreation. **Williams:** Okay, so let's do this right now. What would be helpful is a department wages and summer camp wages were separated. **Nikolic:** Right. **Williams:** Because we know that is an area we definitely want to be able to monitor closely. Who in the recreation department is receiving what. As in terms of who's full time, as opposed to who may be seasonal. So, maybe you should have two separate line items. Department wages, summer camp wages, department PERS, summer camp PERS, department Medicare, summer camp Medicare. So, that we are very clear about those full time throughout the year and who is seasonal for summer camp. **Davis:** Because the ones you gave us on PERS for the budget. The PERS on your wages, only totaled \$7,759. But here you got \$12,000 appropriations for the PERS. So, that's a whole different number. **Thompson:** Give us some (inaudible) to separate those in the wage area. So, I can get more clarity and then we'll charge directly there. And spell out the payment for PERS and Medicare. So, I'm just going to have to create some new accounts.

Howse: You already have, just use... **Thompson:** That camp counselor line? **Howse:** Yeah, use that (inaudible). **Thompson:** He's using that for like activities. **Howse:** But use 3342, as the code to identify that that's summer. Then you can use 51110 for your wages and things like that. That way you separate it, but it is still in that same budget. **Thompson:** Yeah, for summer camp, yeah okay, thanks for that. So, that's what I'll do, I take I'll create those new accounts. And put it under a department code. **Williams:** Yeah, and with recreation you just need to be very clear with them. Because I don't know what you guy's process is. If they're giving you things and they're under the wrong category. So, when you get them you're coding them wrong. Or if you're just coding them and they're getting all mixed up. I'm not sure what's happening. **Thompson:** But when they come in as seasonal, they fill out the application. **Williams:** Yeah. **Thompson:** And we distinctively know they're camp counselors. And we put them in wages, but we know they're part time camp counselors. Because they're all seasonal, none of them are permanent. **Williams:** So, what goes in your summer camp line? **Thompson:** Those are like straight activities. **Williams:** Okay, so everything outside of summer camp wages, PERS, and Medicare. Everything spelled summer camp would go into 3342.52155? **Thompson:** Yes. **Williams:** Okay. **Thompson:** But I'll break out those salary codes where you have summer camp. **Nikolic:** We didn't get the details (inaudible) did we? **Thompson:** No, not yet, she was compiling it though. She was getting her signature pages when I seen her last couple of days. So, I'll let her know the urgency so we can get that next week. **Davis:** Brian, can I ask you then, how do we go from wages of \$55,425 Tuesday to \$39,000? **Thompson:** Because I was just pretty much taking Carlean out. I'm going to make it fully clear. Because all you're going to have on under there, we'll have Carlean solely. We'll put her on that wage line, anybody that's her full-time assistant. Then we'll take the methodology for this 3342 that Mrs. House is discussing with us. Separate those codes, you're going to have a clear understanding of who those people are. This right here is kind of convoluted. So, I'll get it real clear for you. **Williams:** So, we want you to set that 50% at \$37,500 for that fund. **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** I don't know what you're looking at. But I would just recommend everything dealing with summer camp be where you start to reduce from. Because summer camp should not happen before we go back in a bit. So, you should be safe to eliminate that from the budget for the time being. and then page 27 looks to be good. I just had a question on page 28. Because it doesn't look like we're at 50%. I know we typically do a lot of transfers in. **Thompson:** (inaudible). **Williams:** Council any suggestions as to where we want to set that? 50%? **Hardin:** For? **Williams:** Page 28. **Thompson:** Yes, the seniors budget. **Thompson:** You want to reduce the \$77,500 divided by two right? **Williams:** I've got \$38,750, but are we okay with the 50% there as well? **Warren:** The \$77,500, half is what you're saying? **Thompson:** Half would be \$38,750. **Warren:** Right. **Thompson:** Which should be fine I mean, that launch total is kind of scaling out throughout the year. So, we can set it at \$38,750. **Davis:** May I ask, this is not \$38,000 to spend from now until June? **Thompson:** Yes. **Davis:** Was \$38,000 what were supposed to spend from January to June? **Thompson:** Yeah, January to June. **Hardin:** And how much have you currently spend out of this? **Thompson:** We got \$64,163 rounded but we'll cut it down to \$38,750. **Davis:** Okay. **Williams:** She's asking for expenses. **Davis:** Expenses on what they (inaudible). **Thompson:** (inaudible) \$18,000. **Davis:** So, you have \$10,000 a month. **Williams:** So, we're at about 50% on the \$38,000, nearly, around. **Thompson:** Yeah. **Nikolic:** Just one other thing, I see there's appropriations for Rose Center for Aging. Isn't that no longer exist in existence? **Davis:** Yes. **Thompson:** Yes, so that has to be part of my reduction. I'll have to wiped (inaudible) to zero. **Davis:** So, that will bring your total down too. **Thompson:** We'll still be at \$37,000, I'll reduce to six, and then I have to get the rest. **Williams:**

I can tell you for anywhere in here you found Mount Zion. In any of these accounts we're talking about reducing. You can wipe it out. **Thompson:** Yeah, okay. **Williams:** You can take it from there. **Thompson:** All right. **Davis:** And also, we talked about Time Warner and Electric or whatever Internet stuff being together? **Thompson:** Yeah. **Davis:** Direct and Time Warner, I know you haven't had time. But we... **Thompson:** Yeah (inaudible) combine those to get the best results. **Davis:** Okay, thank you. **Williams:** So, just to recap because we can move on with the rest. And allow you to go make the necessary changes where we need to be. **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** I know that we asked you to amend the title page to 2024 permanent appropriations; which we have. Page 23, it's going to be reduced to \$417,645. Page 26, is going to reduce to \$37,627.07. Page 28, is going to be reduced to \$38,750. Page 37, is going to be reduced to \$172,500. Page 44, will be reduced to \$1,357,701.61. Page 47, we're at \$60,000 and page 48, \$167,500. Page 50, we're at \$54,000. Page 51, we're at \$412.60, and page 53, we're at \$5,686.75. So, any additional edits? **Nikolic:** Page 21, I know we talked about this, the Recreation Center fitness rebate program. A small thing, but I thought the rebate program... This is what we pay taxes, right? **Thompson:** Yeah. **Nikolic:** Someone comes in okay with their rebates, okay gotcha. **Scruggs:** Could you just explain really quickly? **Thompson:** Page 45, is pretty much used for our lease payments on our vehicles we have. In the past we've done these deals with legislation. So, that's just to make the payments in that fund. **Williams:** I'm sorry, I missed that one. **Scruggs:** Yeah, that one it's not 50%. **Thompson:** Yeah. **Williams:** Thank you... **Thompson:** This would be one of the accounts that I'll summarize the lease payment. Because they have an amortization scale as well. **Williams:** Okay, so you're going to get us that schedule? **Thompson:** Yeah. **Williams:** So, we will reduce after \$79,000, page 45. **Thompson:** Okay. **Hardin:** And we're waiting on the amortization schedule to just attach to kind of track it, too? **Thompson:** Right, yeah you could see they have specific dates for payments. **Davis:** Now, I still have a question on this REC. How could we approve \$39,000 for wages? Or half of whatever we got, and we don't even know who we are paying. If that is the summer camp counselors or just Ms. Carlean. **Thompson:** So, I mean, yeah, well, we were taking steps to reduce that. **Davis:** Yes, I know, but we don't know whose wages these all are. That's just her? I mean... **Thompson:** It's always going to be her and... **Davis:** But if it's other people besides her, that could be covered. But if it's just her, that's a large amount. **Williams:** Remember, we requested specific detail on this. **Davis:** We need to know that before we can vote. **Thompson:** You're saying all expenses? **Williams:** We did say all the expenses. But she is asking specifically about... **Davis:** The wages, especially because wages, PERS, and Medicaid that's different than what you asked for; this page 26. **Williams:** So, we (inaudible) that in 2023. And we expect to charge to that in 2024. **Davis:** And I don't know if this \$19,000 is just for her or half of it. Or if that \$19,000 is for her, plus summer camp counselors or not. **Thompson:** Okay. **Nikolic:** One other things, and I don't know if this is just for clarity purposes. Because here it says revenue, would it be possible to say estimated revenue. And then a column that says like actual balances. Then put those two funds that have it. So, we know exactly the accounts that have that amount of money in them. **Thompson:** I mean, I could go down and... **Nikolic:** is it a lot of them? **Thompson:** The ones that are estimates I can put estimate. And the ones that's just an ending balance. I could probably put that language in there in the same column. **Nikolic:** Yeah, or something just because right now it just says revenue. So, it should say estimate. **Williams:** She's asking for estimated revenue and actual revenue is what she's asking for. **Nikolic:** Right. **Thompson:** I wouldn't know to ask you on 24. **Nikolic:** No, no, for the ones that have the exact balance in the account. Just so we can familiarize yourself with which funds have an actual balance. And potentially closing

them out at some point. **Thompson:** You want me to go through the whole report tonight to change that? **Nikolic:** I mean, I don't know how many are there. **Thompson:** Or is that something again when we come back for the amendment. The ones with the final balances. You figure it's about 7 or 8 and then the rest would be estimated. So, I could do those sounds like. **Williams:** You're saying there's only seven actual? **Thompson:** Not actual, it's maybe final fund balance, that's what it is. **Williams:** So, can you add it to those 7 or 8 things. **Thompson:** Yeah, okay so amend those columns with the headings, do the rest of estimate, change these numbers come down to half. **Williams:** You're going to do final funds tonight and estimate you can have for us at the next meeting. So, at least we'll know these are final funds. **Thompson:** Yeah, these would be, you know, we'll have this reflected in my notes once I go back and change them. **Williams:** Okay, and then you're going to reprint for all of us. So, that we can begin to work through these before the next (inaudible). **Davis:** Okay, I have a question now. We only spent, instructors, we still have \$15,000. We're keeping track of that amount. But we never said we were going to give all that money for Instructors. Because we don't have anybody but Carlean right now. I mean, we don't have anybody from January through to now, but Carlean. That should be included in the wages as far as I am concerned. Wages during the daytime, so... **Thompson:** Well, we're going to rectify, (inaudible) miscellaneous contractual we need to combine. Whatever comes to that you approve for her base salary. But she is planning to have fitness instructors. **Davis:** Yeah, but we don't have anybody. I mean, she's been the only one. Do you know what we spent already this year? **Thompson:** Yes, she's in 1099's as herself. (inaudible), which she got. **Davis:** She made \$10,900? **Nikolic:** I think the payout for fitness for her is about \$1500 a month. **Williams:** Councilwoman Davis, that has to be reduced by \$37,000. So, what do you want to reduce that to? Because that can be a part of the line item he reduces. **Davis:** Do we know how much we spent? Did we pay already? **Thompson:** Yeah. **Davis:** Because we wanted part of her job. **Thompson:** I mean cut it in half maybe. **Williams:** Cut it in half. **Davis:** Yes, please. **Williams:** But in addition to that... **Thompson:** Still get it to the level that we talked about. **Williams:** It has to be at the level of \$37,627.07. But in addition, our Recreation Director, we're not authorizing you to pay her as a fitness instructor separate from her salary. Not at this time, she should not receive any payment. **Thompson:** So, she has to shut that down. **Williams:** Yes, she does not, she has to find other instructors. Or, she has to do that within her Recreation Director salary. She is not to receive any additional until we make a final decision about that. Because there's no contract for that. **Davis:** Even miscellaneous contractual she shouldn't be taking out of that either. **Williams:** We are only authorizing you to pay her salary within the department wages. **Thompson:** Right, okay is that it? **Howse:** I was trying to understand what Erica, your question. What were you asking him to insert? **Thompson:** Like when I began the year, like, a fund may only have \$4.19. It's not going to get any more revenue. So, I can't even estimate any more revenue. So, she wants me to put a notation saying that that's the final revenue we're going to have. **Howse:** Okay. **Thompson:** Yeah, any suggestions? **Howse:** I just don't understand what you said, that's all. **Thompson:** It's the beginning fund balance, I'm not going to receive no more money in the fund. **Howse:** So, it's an inactive fund, is that what you are saying? **Thompson:** Yeah, exactly, but you still have that balance there. **Warren:** In other words, you carry an over a balance from the existing fund. But it's not going to have any. **Howse:** So yeah, it's an inactive fund that you're rolling over. **Thompson:** Yeah, but even with the (inaudible). I mean, the dollars are there, I could still spend it. **Howse:** I don't know if that's correct to say final. It's just the beginning balance that's rolled over to the next year. If you don't appropriate, it just sits there. And then the way you handle that is, at some

point you say this is an active account. There's two ways to do it. You have to either go get a court order to move it to the general fund. Or depending on, you know, restricted or unrestricted. But I wouldn't put final. **Thompson:** Okay. **Williams:** What she's asking is how would a new council person. Identify what's actual revenue, what's estimated, what will have nothing else going in? Do you have recommendations? **Howse:** Well, I would say your summary of your cash that you receive. You receive that there's a carry balance from one year to the other, right. It's actually your beginning balance that's carrying into the next year. That's what that balance is, and they will continue to roll over like that. As long as you have no activity on it. So, you just leave it until the Auditors asks if it's inactive. Or if they rename the purpose of it. Which they've been doing that. Saying there's no purpose of having this fund, you need to roll that up into the general fund. Only on their instruction, but I wouldn't... **Williams:** Are you okay with... **Howse:** So, if you look at your summary cash, the next time you look at it. That balance, for example, that \$856 for the developers or something. You'll see that number in the beginning balance of that column. Your salary cap, you'll see that number there. **Nikolic:** Right, I'm just trying to figure out. As we look at this, how do we know which funds are in that status? So, is there a way where you can indicate that? Just like a parental right here, just saying like, you know... **Howse:** So, in some of these I noticed that he did have like in some of these special revenue funds. You have the beginning balance, is that what's missing from some of them? **Thompson:** Yeah, missing some of them I just had the you know estimation. But on those I put in the beginning balance because that's all I have in that fund. **Howse:** Yeah, I would just say beginning balance. Because we want to make sure we have enough time to get everything else in. If you make sure that, so when they have this for the future. That you just reference beginning balance. **Thompson:** Okay, I could change those eight tonight. **Williams:** I think she's saying don't change that header. What I think would be most helpful if we don't want to change the entire thing is. Can you just create a list that states these are the funds that will not have any additional receipts. **Nikolic:** Yeah, however you want to do it. **Howse:** Just say these funds are inactive, inactive funds. **Nikolic:** Just to familiarize me, once I see it once, it'll be fine. **Howse:** Yeah, inactive funds, so that way you know these funds don't have any activity. **Nikolic:** Right, there'll be no more money. **Williams:** You don't need to do that tonight. But by Monday, can she just have the sheet. So, yeah, they're clear about which funds only have this amount and are not receiving any additional revenue. **Thompson:** Okay. **Nikolic:** While he's doing that, why don't we move on. Unless there's any discussion that we'd like to have before he comes back? Should we move through the items? Why don't we move through? And then if there's additional discussion. You can have it when he comes back. Agenda item number five City of Solon Contract. I don't believe I saw an email coming back from... **Hardin:** One came back today. **Williams:** They made a decision to remove that from all contracts that they had. And the only reason they provided that provision in the contract was for the pandemic. To, you know, support the municipalities a little more. And they made a Council, I think they took a Council vote to remove it from all contracts. **Nikolic:** All right, moving on to agenda item number six. So, I guess when we go through, we need to have discussion now. Or we can discuss it when it's time to get to the legislation. Because I believe that is legislation 2024-16. **Williams:** It is. **Nikolic:** So, we can, let's hold discussion until we can have a discussion when we get to the legislation. Agenda item number seven, legislation to approve forensic audit files again so we can have a discussion to get to the legislation. Okay, and number eight, may I have a motion to go into executive session?

Motion to enter executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of the public employers made by Hardin seconded by Warren

YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Enter executive Session at 6:26

Motion to adjourn executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of the public employers made by Warren seconded by Matlock

YES VOTE: Nikolic, Warren, Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Exited executive Session at 6:32p.m.

Nikolic: Okay, moving on to agenda item number nine, legislation.

Legislation

(Read by Councilman Warren)

2024-11

Introduced 3-26-24

By Mayor and
Council as a whole

1st read 3-26-24

2nd read 3-28-24

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SOLON REGARDING THE CUSTODY,
SUPERVISION, CONFINEMENT AND BOARD OF PRISONERS AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Nikolic: Okay, this is on second read. Was there indication that the Chief wanted this to be passed immediately? **Warren:** Yes it was. **Nikolic:** Okay.

Motion to suspend rules for legislation 2024-11 made by Scruggs seconded by Warren

YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Motion to adopt legislation 2024-11 made by Hardin seconded by Matlock

YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

2024-14

Introduced 3-26-24

By Mayor and
Council as a whole

1st read 3-28-24

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF
OAKWOOD TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE
KEITH FABER TO CONDUCT A SPECIAL AUDIT OF THE VILLAGES'S NONPAYROLL
DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1ST, 2017, TO MAY 31ST, 2022, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Williams: I would like to make a comment on that. The wrong legislation is attached. The Law Director sent the correct legislation. And I do not believe that's what I'm seeing here. But I don't see it at all. So, 2024-14 should have a section one and a section two. And I'll just state this on the record. The only changes to 2024-14 as it appears in this current legislation. That is not the

actual legislation that should be here. Is that Section one in this legislation should actually be section two. And Section one actually reads "The Mayor be and hereby is authorized to execute the engagement letter substantially in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as exhibit A", and exhibit A gets attached. So, our Council Clerk will have to add this to the agenda. So, that it's correctly posted. **Hardin:** Okay, and since we're getting those corrections. By tradition, we always state it's introduced by Mayor and Council as a whole. We want you to verify that he will participate and sign it. So, it should say introduced by Council if that's what is the case or is it by Council and Mayor. **Warren:** But mostly all of our legislation is by Mayor and Council. **Hardin:** Now that we know that my point is this... **Warren:** You asked a question I was just responding. **Hardin:** Yeah, well, I did ask a question, I made a statement. I want to make certain that this is something that this Council is initiating. Unless he wants to participate, but if you want to leave it the way it is, that's fine with me. **Nikolic:** It has to be changed by the Clerk, so... **Hardin:** That's correct. **Warren:** The thing is the Mayor has to sign it too. **Hardin:** Johnny listens to me again. Legislation can be introduced by a member of Council, by the Mayor or both. Traditionally, because of the way the charter reads. We have a strong (inaudible) council. So, it always said Mayor and Council. It's just a point of order, if he doesn't want to participate or if you don't want to ask him. I see what you're saying, I understand it. **Nikolic:** Alright, how about this... **Williams:** Let me just... **Hardin:** No, I withdraw my comment. **Williams:** I wanted to open it back up. Because I want to see what the Law Director sent, if he amended that area. **Hardin:** Okay, if he didn't that's fine. **Williams:** So, in what the Law Director sent. It does say introduced by Mayor and Council as a whole. So, it's still the same. **Hardin:** Okay, as long as he is aware. I want to make sure this Council is making every effort to make sure we get the stuff right. Okay, and the fact that we have some legislation that hasn't been signed. I'm not going to keep going round and round. I wanted it known that this is Council trying to get this (inaudible). **Nikolic:** So, we need to wait until we have the actual legislation that we're signing in here. Before we pass this, because right now it's not in the form that... **Williams:** We need to make sure that the Clerk posted the correct legislation to it. **Hardin:** Right, and post it the way it's brought, by the Mayor and Council as a whole. **Warren:** We've approved legislation before as amended. And we're talking about it here as a matter of record. So, we're going to just put that as a contingency as amended by the Law Director. **Nikolic:** Well, since it is so important. Shouldn't we have to make sure that it has all of the language and everything in front of us. So, we don't have any complications with... **Warren:** Well, this is just simply an issue of authorizing the Auditor of state. If somebody wants to bring it up, then we'll talk about it later. But we could pass it now and it's not something like a Schade deal where it's memorial. You know what I mean? This is something that could be amended if it needs to be. But we can pass it based upon amendment. **Nikolic:** So, pass it as it is now here in front of us. **Warren:** No, no, pass it as amended. **Nikolic:** Right, so we wait until we get the legislation in front of us exactly how it should read before we pass it. **Williams:** No, we have it, it's been read. **Hardin:** So, can we pass it? **Nikolic:** So, motion to adopt, I mean this is first read. So, motion to suspend the rules for legislation 2024-14. **Warren:** As amended. **Williams:** It's not, I think that's what we need to be clear about. Because we cannot amend in a special meeting. This is just the wrong legislation that's been included. The Law Director sent what should be the correct one, I just don't... And if you want me to reread. But this is just not the right one in front of us. And I did ask the Council Clerk to make sure the correct one was posted. And also included with the agenda. **Nikolic:** Well, me personally, I would only approve something that I see in front of me. So, we can continue on.

2024-16
Introduced 3-26-24
By Mayor and
Council as a whole
1st read 3-28-24

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF JAMES
SCHADE**

Motion to suspend rules for legislation 2024-16 made by Warren seconded by Matlock

YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Motion to adopt legislation 2024-16 made by Hardin seconded by Warren

YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Nikolic: Okay, just to let you guys know, he said throughout the document where he made changes, it's highlighted in a dark gray. **Williams:** Where's the first page? **Nikolic:** He had the first pages printing out after all of them. So, he's going to bring that over later. I just brought these copy so we could start. **Hardin:** So, we can get it really old stuff. And keep the cover page from the first one. **Williams:** You said he's going to bring another? **Nikolic:** He's bringing it, I think he just printed it like at the end of all the other copy. So, it's going to come out last. So, let's just start verifying he made the changes in this stack that we have here. **Warren:** I know I wasn't here in the beginning. I don't know the specific line-item stuff. **Nikolic:** Right, I'm actually just going through page by page to see if I see any gray boxes. **Warren:** I don't see any gray boxes. That's what I started looking for. Oh, here's one down at the bottom. The gray boxes are down at the bottom line. I see one for recreation, \$37,627.07, page 26. **Nikolic:** The first one I see is on page 23 the SCMR. And I guess we're just make sure that it was half of the revenues that was listed. That appears to be correct. The next one will be page 26. He was 37, that appears to be correct. Back on page 28, the senior center. \$38,750 half of the \$77,500, that's correct. **Thompson:** I tried (inaudible) on the changes. **Matlock:** On page 42, was it supposed to be \$10,000 or at \$11,000? **Williams:** Ten. **Nikolic:** 37, the ambulance billing is correct. **Nikolic:** I see page 43; he still has for ARPA \$500,000 in appropriations. Did we go over that? **Williams:** This is supposed to be zeroed out at by September 2021 I believe. **Nikolic:** But on this budget it should be... Because I guess they haven't used the \$250,000 for Oakleaf yet. So, technically that money's still there. **Williams:** You talking about (inaudible) or ARPA? **Nikolic:** 43. **Williams:** ARPA is correct. **Matlock:** They're using the balance of those funds. **Nikolic:** They already used \$250,000 for Fair Oaks. Well, we can ask when it comes back. **Williams:** They appropriated it, they haven't spent it. **Nikolic:** They haven't spent it for Fair Oaks yet, okay. **Williams:** You just said page 42? **Matlock:** Yeah, that was that opioid fund. **Williams:** Okay. **Nikolic:** And that should be \$10,000 you saying? **Matlock:** Yes. **Nikolic:** And page 44 the G.O. Bonds, that correction appears to be correct. Page 45 The leases for one capital improvement, that's correct. Now, this is what I'm confused on. And Karen, you could probably help me. So, the Tiff revenue on page 46. Wouldn't this be an example of account balances where the money's there? We're not appropriating to these TIF funds, are we? **Howse:** It's an active account. **Nikolic:** It's an active account, right. But do we appropriate, these are based on what he expects is coming in. **Howse:** So, he's telling you that your anticipated revenue is \$146,174. **Nikolic:** Where are you?

\$156,000? **Howse:** Yeah, you see above (inaudible) and then he has half of that \$156,000 in expenditure. So, he's saying of the \$156,000 in revenue, he budgeted 50% of that estimated revenue. **Nikolic:** Okay, so that's how much will be available. Oh, Brian, can you double check the, I did half of the total TIF funds revenue. It looks like... **Thompson:** Oh yeah, she didn't tell you that one. **Williams:** If they were less than 50% we left them. **Thompson:** Yeah. **Nikolic:** Okay. **Williams:** The special revenue funds header sheet that I'm about to pass you. Goes after page 22 and before page 24. **Nikolic:** So, my final question is, I know there were some questions about what was appropriated. And where we were at in terms of whether or not we were passing a half. I just wanted to make sure that passing this 50% for the rest of the year is within the O.R.C. guidelines. Did you clear that with the Law Director? **Thompson:** Apparently you can do it and submit it to them. It's just a reduced budget. We'll definitely have to come back to amend. As I advised you on those certain funds. **Nikolic:** So yes? **Thompson:** Yes. **Nikolic:** Did anyone see any additional changes? Is there any additional discussion for legislation 2024-15? Have all corrections been made? Are we satisfied with what's been presented by the Finance Director? Any objections? Hearing none...

2024-15
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By Mayor and
Council as a whole
1st read 3-28-24

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT
EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD,
OHIO FOR THE YEAR 2024**

Motion to add the word "Permanent" to the preamble of legislation 2024-15 made by Hardin seconded by Matlock

YES VOTE: Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Motion to suspend rules for legislation 2024-15 made by Hardin seconded by Matlock

YES VOTE: Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Motion to adopt legislation 2024-15 made by Warren seconded by Hardin

YES VOTE: Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Nikolic: Any discussion for 2024-14? We had the amended legislation. We added in section one and attached exhibit A, which was the contract. Are there any other changes or comments/discussions on 2024-14? Hearing no further discussion on 2024-14.

Motion to suspend rules for legislation 2024-14 made by Hardin seconded by Warren

YES VOTE: Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Motion to adopt legislation 2024-14 made by Hardin seconded by Warren

YES VOTE: Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Note:

~Councilwoman Davis left at 6:17p.m.

~Councilwoman Scruggs left at 6:45p.m

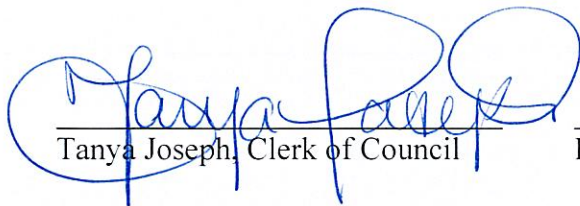
Motion to adjourn made by Hardin seconded by Matlock

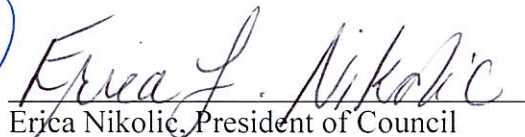
YES VOTE: Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Warren, Williams

MOTION PASSED

Adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Approved 1.28.25


Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council


Erica Nikolic, President of Council