

**Ashley Village Council Meeting Minutes**  
**February 8, 2024**

The regular council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Ann Paksi.

Roll call was taken with, Ann Paksi, Dave Foote, David Kimball, Doug Schneider, Michelle Fitzpatrick-Clerk/Treasurer. Absent : Kristin Mills, Robert Studt , Mike Turner, Paul Beck-DPW Supervisor

**Visitors:** Paula Pettigrew

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** made a motion to approve the 02/08/2024 agenda with amendment policies and procedures and fire hydrants to the agenda. Supported **D. Foote**. Motion carried.

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** made a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2024 as presented. Supported by **D. Kimball**. Motion carried.

After review and discussion **D. Kimball** made a motion to approve the check register January 19, 2024 through February 8, 2024 Supported, **M. Turner**. Motion carried.

Committee Chairman Jane Unterbrink presented updates for the Village of Ashley Country Christmas.

- Paula answered questions about Recommended Budget
- Chairman Unterbrink discussed train coming for event 06.15.2023 & 06.16.23 – Arsenal of Freedom train with vintage baseball.
- Chairman Unterbrink update on flag purchases.

**Old Business:**

Clerk/Treasurer Fitzpatrick stated that the Point Broadband contract to be sent to attorney for review.

After review and discussion council requested clerk/treasurer Fitzpatrick to call and discuss with Point Broadband.

After review and discussion Country Christmas employee was tabled until interviews were completed.

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** motioned to approve the Land division for Parcel #41-150-029-00 & 41-400-416-00 at 600 W. Wallace Street, Ashley MI 48806 per request from resident Char Paksi. Supported by **D. Kimball**. Motion Carried.

After review and discussion **D. Foote** motioned to approved to President A. Paksi the authorization to approve up to \$30,000 to repair the flat roof on the The Depot building. Supported by **D. Kimball**. Motion Carried

**New Business:**

Country Christmas 2024/2025 FY Budget was reviewed and discussed and will be presented to the budget committee.

After review and discussion **D. Schneider** made motion to approved compensation to the Planning Commissioner Chair for work he is doing as Project Manager at \$100 per week. Supported by **D. Foote**. Motion Carried.

After review and discussion **D. Foote** motioned to increase Water/Sewer/Ready to Serve fee 4% to be effective March 1, 2024. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion Carried.

After review and discussion **D. Kimball** motioned to raise Trash rates to \$20.96 per month per contract with Granger. Supported by **D. Foote**. Motion Carried.

After review and discussion **D. Kimball** motioned to put a .5mil for Mosquito control on August election ballet for four years. Supported by **D. Schneider**. Motion Carried.

Fiscal Year 24/25 budget was discussed and will be adopted at the March meeting.

**D. Kimball** made motion to go into a closed meeting at 8:38pm to discuss employee and committee member. Supported by **D. Foote**.

Came out of Closed session at 9:35pm

**D. Foote** motioned to adjourn regular council meeting at 9:40pm. Supported by **D. Kimball**. Motion Carried.