

**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**April 30, 2024**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm, followed by the pledge.

**Attendance:** Terry Seibert, Seth Seibert, Bruce Rickard, Brian Webb, Amanda Crouch, Chelsea Wilsey, Bryan Selhorst, Kristina Boroff  
Alexandria Busacca, Veryl and Marylin Sheets, Lanny Hammitt, Marge Trisel, Denny Dorsten, Lori Huffman, Jim Godwin, Mike Frank – The Daily Standard

**Mayor:** The Mayor stated that we need a representative from the village to sign the complaint and attend the court proceedings. It doesn't have to be a council member, it can be a citizen. This will be a paid position. The pay will be determined at a later date. This person will just sit at the court proceedings, they will not need to say anything. We will discuss this further when Pete can be in attendance so they we meet all legal requirements. If anyone is interested in this position, please contact a council member.

**Solicitor:**

**Minutes:** There was a motion by Seth to waive the reading of the minutes, seconded by Brian Webb, roll call: Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea. There was a motion by Amanda with a second by Seth to approve the minutes, roll call: Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea.

**Street Commissioner:** Nothing to report.

**Zoning:** Nothing to report.

**New Business:**

- There was a motion by Brian Webb with a second by Bryan Selhorst to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> OPWC pay request of \$28,361 for the water service line project, roll call: Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea.
- There was a motion by Bryan Selhorst with a second by Amanda to approve the village portion of \$3,392.80 for the water service line project, roll call: Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea.

**Old Business:**

- No updates on the polling location or solid waste management at this time. The polling location is set for 2024, they said we can try again next year. Jim Godwin reported that the Board of Elections needs a list of people interested in working at the polling location in Mendon. Please submit your name and information to the Board of Elections.
- Spring clean up day Saturday, May 18 and brush pickup May 17.

**Legislation:**

Council had the third reading of Ordinance 2024-01 for cannabis dispensary regulations within the village.

**ORDINANCE 2024-01**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT RECREATIONAL ADULT USE CANNABIS OPERATORS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MENDON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2023, voters in Ohio approved State Issue 2, which enacted Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code, which became effective December 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3780 authorizes and regulates recreational adult use cannabis in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 3780.25 authorizes municipal corporations to prohibit or limit the number of adult use cannabis operators (as defined in R.C. 3780.01) within the city limits; and

WHEREAS, Medical marijuana is regulated in Ohio by Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code, and is not addressed within this legislation by Mendon Village Council; and

WHEREAS, the Mendon Village Council finds it to be in the best interest of the Village of Mendon to prohibit recreational adult use cannabis operators licensed under Chapter 3780 within the village limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Mendon, County of Mercer, State of Ohio.

SECTION ONE

THAT, all terms used in this Ordinance shall be defined in the same manner as R.C. Chapter 3780 as it pertains to adult use cannabis. All terms in this Ordinance but not defined in that chapter shall be constructed, for purposes of this Ordinance, in a manner to be consistent with the use of such terms in that chapter.

SECTION TWO

THAT, adult use cannabis operators are hereby prohibited from operating within the limits of the Village of Mendon, Ohio.

SECTION THREE

THAT, it is in the intent of the Mendon Village Council to prohibit the operations described in Section Two above to the maximum extent permitted by R.C. 3780.25 and any other applicable provisions of state law. This Ordinance shall be constructed in a manner that it gives maximum effect to that intent.

SECTION FOUR

THAT, this Ordinance shall be declared an emergency measure for the preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Village of Mendon, Ohio, and therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor at the earliest period allowed by law.

First Reading 2-27-2024

Second Reading 3-26-2024

Third Reading 4-30-2024 **FAILED**

There was a motion by Bruce with a second by Amanda to approve passage of Ordinance 2024-01, concerning prohibiting a dispensary in the village, roll call: Bryan Selhorst – no, Brian Webb – no, Bruce - yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – no, Seth – no, motion failed.

**Guests:**

Marge Trisel asked if council would like to donate money to the village sign? There was a motion by Seth with a second by Chelsea to donate \$200 to the Mendon Alumni sign construction, roll call: Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea.

Mr. Hammitt asked about getting a zoning person to in handle all these zoning issues. The Mayor stated that this is not the direction that council wants to go at this time. Mr. Hammitt is interested in being the representative for the village on these issues. The mayor encouraged him to come to the next meeting to discuss this further with Pete present. Jim Godwin feels that we should try, one or two times, taking people to court and see how it goes.

There was a motion by Seth with a second by Bryan Selhorst to approve the checks and purchase orders, Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea. There was a motion by Brian Webb with a second by Bryan Selhorst to approve the financial statements, Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea. There was a motion by Seth with a second by Bryan Selhorst to approve the mileage, Bryan Selhorst – yea, Brian Webb – yea, Bruce -yea, Amanda – yea, Chelsea – yea, Seth – yea.

The next meeting is set for Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00pm.

There was a motion by Seth with a second by Amanda to adjourn.

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Terry Seibert – Mayor

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Seth Seibert – President

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Kristina Boroff – Fiscal Officer