

Village of St. Paris
April 7, 2025
Council Meeting

Invocation Prayer was led by Councilor Ervin.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll call was taken by Mayor Susan Prince. Joe Curran, Frank Blair, Terry Ervin II, and Tony Hoyt were present. Linda Julien and Steve Lett were absent. Village Administrator Spencer Mitchell and Fiscal Officer Gina Verlaney were also present.

Motion was made by Councilor Hoyt and seconded by Councilor Blair to approve the council agenda, as amended. Motion passed.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Motion was made by Councilor Ervin and seconded by Councilor Blair to table the approval of the council meeting minutes dated March 17, 2025. Motion passed.

Mayor's Notes:

- JSP is having a fish fry on April 18, 2025 at 7:00. The cost for adults is \$10 and \$5 for children.
- The community breakfast is April 12, 2025 8:00- 11:00.
- Homeownership Seminar is April 18 at 7PM sponsored by Huntington Bank.
- In October, letters were sent out to property owners on Troy Street asking the Village for an easement to solve the flooding problem. So far there has been no response.
- Deputy Morris introduced himself. He is a Graham High School graduate from 1981. He gave a report of the activity for the month of March. There were 125 calls.

Old Business:

- Ordinance 2025-4 – Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance #420. Mayor Prince conducted the third reading of Ordinance 2025-4. **Motion** was made by Councilor Ervin and seconded by Councilor Blair to approve the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken and council voted in favor 4-0. Motion passed.
- Ordinance 2025-5 – Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance #420. Mayor Prince conducted the third reading of Ordinance 2025-5. **Motion** was made by Councilor Curran and seconded by Councilor Blair to approve the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken and council voted in favor 4-0. Motion passed.

New Business:

- Mayor Prince reviewed the proposal from the Champaign County Sheriff's Office for purchasing the 2020 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor, ammunition and Tasers minus the cost of collecting evidence from the police department. Councilor Curran announced the meeting with Brad Yost went well and he thought this proposal is "a good deal". Councilor Blair questioned the value of the items and thought they were worth more than the proposal was offering.

Public Comments:

- Joyce Bowlin 274 W. Poplar St. announced the Federation of Churches Easter Egg Hunt on April 19 at 10:00 AM at 370 E. Main.
- Charlene Hess 240 W. Troy talked about her concern for children playing in the flooded waters on Troy Street.
- **Executive Session:** Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 121.22 (G)(1), to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. **Motion** was made by Councilor Ervin and seconded by

Councilor Curran to enter into an executive session and to invite Administrator Mitchell into the executive session. A roll call vote was taken and Council voted in favor 4-0. Motion passed and Council entered into the executive session. At 9:13 PM, **Motion** was made by Councilor Hoyt and seconded by Councilor Blair to exit executive session. Motion passed. This ended the Council Meeting.

Gina Verlaney, Fiscal Officer

Susan Prince, Mayor

Date