

## **Town of Mason Council**

### **Regular Meeting**

**November 7, 2024, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall**

The regular meeting of the Mason Town Council was opened by Mayor Kristopher Clark with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Present were Clark, Recorder Mindy Kearns, and council members Mike Zirkle, Sarah Stover, Jill Nelson, Steve Ohlinger and Becky Pearson.

Minutes from the meeting on Oct. 10, 2024 were approved upon motion by Ohlinger and second by Pearson. Bills were approved for payment following a motion by Stover and second by Nelson.

#### **Public forum:**

None

#### **Mayor's Report:**

Clark reported the Land and Water Conservation grant application has been submitted.

He also spoke, along with Straud Little of Little's Excavating, regarding the water leak along Rt. 62. The leak has been fixed temporarily but is requiring additional work. After a motion by Ohlinger and second by Zirkle, the council agreed to hire Little's to abandon the old line and tie the residents into the newer black plastic line already in place. ARPA money will be used. The cost will be \$2,500 per day plus materials and is expected to take 3 to 6 days.

The council also voted to hire Josh Lavender as a laborer, following a motion by Ohlinger and second by Pearson.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Stover said she will be conducting the Christmas lighting contest judging on Dec. 19 or 20.

#### **Old Business:**

Stover said she spoke with the town attorney regarding the Rt. 62 annexation, and municipalities are allowed one boundary adjustment every two years. We will have to wait approximately 18 months.

#### **New Business:**

Upon motion by Nelson and second by Ohlinger, the council agreed to hire BHM CPA Group as the auditor for the town, as recommended by the audit committee, at \$6,200 per year.

Ohlinger made the motion to adjourn.