

Town of Mason Council

Regular Meeting

April 15, 2025, 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 March 13, 2025 were approved upon motion by Ohlinger and second by Stover. Bills were approved for payment following a motion by Ohlinger and second by Nelson.

Prior to regular business, Municipal Judge Greg Roush was administered the oath of office via video call by Recorder Kearns.

Public Forum:

Tim Morris was in attendance to submit estimates for repairing his vehicle after he claimed he struck a bolt sticking from the curb at the park. Clark said it will be turned over to insurance.

Ryan Russell of the Mason Recreation Foundation attended to inform council members that the foundation will be taking donations at the corner of Anderson and Second streets on May 3. No children will be collecting.

Marty Yeager asked about the dirt and clots left at the Zerkle House after sidewalks were cleaned.

Mayor's Report:

A building permit was approved for Angela Lavender to add a room at her residence on Maple Street.

Committee Reports:

Zirkle said progress is being made on turning the Veterans Memorial lease over from the town to the county commission.

Kearns presented Amy Grate as an alternate poll worker for the June 10 election. Stover made the motion, Nelson seconded, and the motion passed.

Clifton Water Project Update:

Alfonso Dalessio of Ghosh Engineers attended and said three easements are left to obtain. He said bids will probably be late summer.

Unfinished Business:

The town clean-up will be the same as last year on May 7, 8, and until noon on the 9. It will be free if residents take their own loads, and \$50 per load if the town picks it up. Proof of residence must be shown and dumpsters will be inside the plant gates.

Upon motion by Ohlinger and second by Pearson, up to \$2,500 was approved for new tables and chairs for the community room.

New Business:

Upon motion by Pearson and second by Nelson, the council approved laying the levy at a rate of 10.75 per hundred for the fiscal year 2025/2026.

The mayor said town workers have repaired one alleyway with crusher run and will continue to work on them.

Upon motion by Ohlinger and second by Zirkle, the council approved up to \$6,000 to purchase lights for the new cruiser. Funds will come from the police budget.

New doors for the pump house and park were tabled until estimates can be obtained.

Kearns mentioned sink holes at Donna Reed's on Front Street and Jake Ritchie's on Fifth Street need repaired.

Ohlinger made the motion to adjourn.