

The Sheffield City Council Special Session was called to order at Sheffield City Hall by Mayor Brad Mulford, at 6:00PM on Monday, January 15th, 2024. Council Members in attendance were Becky Moellers, Julia Showalter, James Robbins, Ryan Kruger, and Sherri McGuire. Also, in attendance was; Pat Nuehring, Public Works Director; Eric Meyer, Public Works Assistant, Andrew O'Connor, Police Chief, Bonnie Theis, Library Board President, Dan Fields, Fire Department Chief and Dave Schoning, Franklin County Rural Fire.

Mayor Mulford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moellers made a motion approve the agenda. Kruger seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Business

- The Council discussed moving the monthly meetings up an hour, from 7:00pm to 6:00pm. Kruger motioned to move the new time to 6:00pm. McGuire seconded it; it was approved.
- There was discussion on purchasing new winter road grader tires. The tires that are currently on the road grader are made for dirt and not snow/ice. This is a safety issue for the Public Works Department workers along with the people around them. There was a pricing for six Bridgestone tires (\$10,601.58) and Michelin Plus (\$13,601.58). Kruger motioned to approve the purchase of the Bridgestone tires. Robbins seconded it; it was approved.
- There was discussion on the regular budget requests from all departments. The City Clerk will need to look into if the fire department can get paid for their certifications. Bonnie will need to talk to the Library Board to see if they will be hiring a full-time that will need benefits or not. Galvin's Park bathroom doors will need fixed. City Insurance has gone up, the City Clerk will look at finding out how much a deductible change will help offset some cost. This will come back for further discussion on Thursday, Jan 18th at 6:00pm.
- There was discussion regarding the FY25 budget special requests. There are electrical updates at the pool shelter house, police department needs new taser and current bodycam system along with a new service at the police shed, the public works department were looking at the possibility of a new pickup and getting ceiling fans in the shop. There was talk about doing a street project on some roads in town.
- There are still some ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds that will need to be delegated for use by 2024 and then spent by 2026. Kruger motioned to give \$10,000 to the new digital sign, \$50,000 will go to the Fire Department, \$50,000 to the Parks Improvement fund and \$8,000 will be for Council Chamber updates. Robbins seconded it; it was approved.
- There was discussion regarding the FY25 Employee Wage Increases. Kruger motioned to approve a 3% raise for Public Works Director, Public Works Assistant, Police Chief and City Clerk, effective July 1, 2024. Showalter seconded it. Ayes – Moellers, Showalter, Kruger, McGuire; Nays – Robbins

Council Comments – None

Kruger motioned to adjourn the meeting. Showalter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Adjournment at 8:34PM.

Ashley Francis, City Clerk

Brad Mulford, Mayor