

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF WAITE HILL, OHIO

February 10, 2025

Pursuant to notice given, the Council of the Village of Waite Hill, Ohio, met at the Waite Hill Village Hall on Monday, February 10, 2025. The Council Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m., with Mayor Ryan W. Cox presiding.

The following members of Council were present:

Brian Doty
Karl Scheucher
Stephanie Winterer

Abby Hiltsley
Richard Steudel

Also present were Robbi Laps, Clerk-Treasurer, Carl Dondorfer, Police Chief, Bob Haynik, Service Director, and Stephen L. Byron, Law Director.

Kevin Gale of Ancora was present to discuss the Village's Investment Strategy. He excused himself from the meeting at 8:24 a.m.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held January 13, 2025 were previously distributed to Council. Mr. Doty moved to approve the Minutes as presented, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steudel.

Roll Call: Yeas: Doty, Hiltsley, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Winterer
Nays: None

Motion carried
Minutes approved

Resolution No. 2025-2 - "A Resolution authorizing and directing the payment of certain sums" was read. After discussion, Mr. Steudel moved that Resolution No. 2025-2 be adopted as read, which motion was seconded by Ms. Winterer.

Roll Call: Yeas: Doty, Hiltsley, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Winterer
Nays: None

Motion carried
Resolution No. 2025-2 adopted

It was noted that the true-up payment to Willoughby Hills for the agreed upon increase for fire and emergency medical services had been made for the years since the prior agreement expired, as had been agreed to by the prior mayors of the communities. All agreed this was appropriate.

Ms. Bowden, Chair of the Communication and Community Outreach Committee, reported that a new edition of the Village Voice would be coming out within the next few weeks. The Planning & Zoning Commission and building permit information, which was published last year, will be run again this year. Residents will be reminded that they have to obtain building permits before starting construction projects in the Village.

Mr. Scheucher reported on the Finance Committee meeting and a copy of the report for the month is appended hereto and incorporated in these Minutes by reference. It was also noted that the Village's insurance coverages and premiums are being reviewed.

Ms. Hiltsley, reporting on behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission and Architectural Board of Review, reported that the last meeting was busy. Three generators, with appropriate screening were approved. There were discussions regarding on-going projects on Eagle and Metcalf Roads. There was also discussion regarding a proposed addition to a Markell Road residence which would require a side yard variance. The Board of Zoning Appeals will be meeting later in February to consider the variance request.

Ms. Winterer deferred to Chief Dondorfer, reporting for the Safety Committee. The Chief briefly discussed the Police Department's activities which are detailed in the monthly report. The department's evidence locker is being upgraded to take advantage of improved technologies. The new police radios have been received, and they will be put into service in the next few days. The old radios will be sold.

Mr. Doty excused himself from the meeting at 8:59 a.m.

In Mr. Doty's absence, Mr. Haynik reported on the activities of the Service Department. He stated that January had been a tough month for snow management. The upcoming Markell Road repairs were discussed, including the fact that Kirtland should be fixing the east end of the road. The new truck is being equipped and will be put in service when ready.

Mayor Cox reported that the Charter Review Commission had met and will be requesting input from Council and other Village officials. The cell tower discussions continue; the proposals of two (2) companies are being considered.

There being no further matters to come before Council, Mr. Scheucher moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Ms. Hiltsley.

Roll Call: Yeas: Hiltsley, Knezevic, Scheucher, Steudel, Winterer
Nays: None

Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan W. Cox, Mayor

APPROVED: _____, 2025

ATTEST: _____
Robbi Laps, Clerk-Treasurer



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Finance Committee Report – February 10, 2025, Meeting

The Committee executed its standard agenda approving the November meeting minutes.

There is no news regarding property tax this month. The first half advance is expected in February and, based upon the Auditor's Schedule A received last month, an increase over prior year advances is anticipated.

Local Government Fund revenue for January was \$12,783 compared to January 2024 at \$12,559.

Interest income was \$25,458 compared to this month in 2024 at \$15,681.

Total revenue for the month was \$49,394. A year ago: \$39,994. The difference is attributable to interest income.

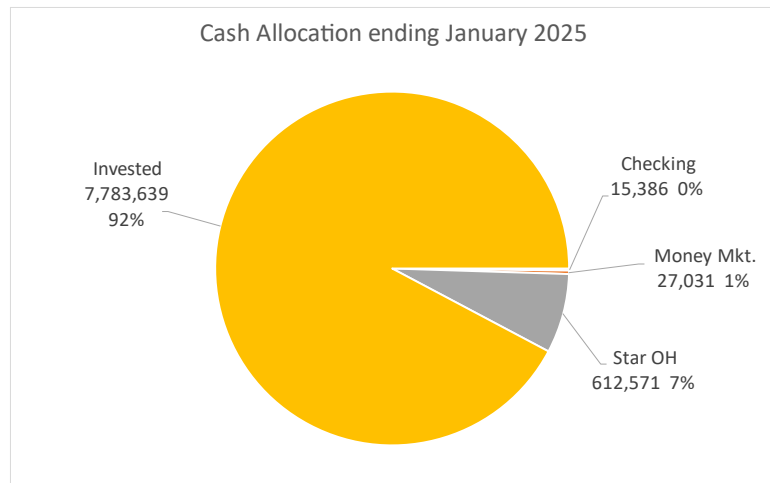
Total expense was \$258,113. A year ago: \$212,954. The fire protection contract represents most of the difference since it includes a true-up for the prior four (4) years and an appreciated quarterly amount going forward.

Total funds balances were \$8,438,626. A year ago: \$8,722,401. A decline of \$283,775 over the year.

Total fund trajectory estimates January 2020 to have been \$9,984,252 vs. the January 2030 projected to be \$8,196,414, a decline of \$1,984,532 over 10 years, said decline linearly averaging \$198,453 per year, an average decline of 2.42% per year. While the total funds trajectory is flattening in decline rate, the General Fund trajectory is now predicting a decreasing balance in the years ahead. See Funds Forecast graphic.

As of December 2024, funds are allocated as follows:

Total funds	8,438,627
Checking	22,354
Checks outstanding	(6,968)
Deposits outstanding	-
Star OH	612,571
Money Market	27,031
Invested	7,783,639
Total Check	8,438,627



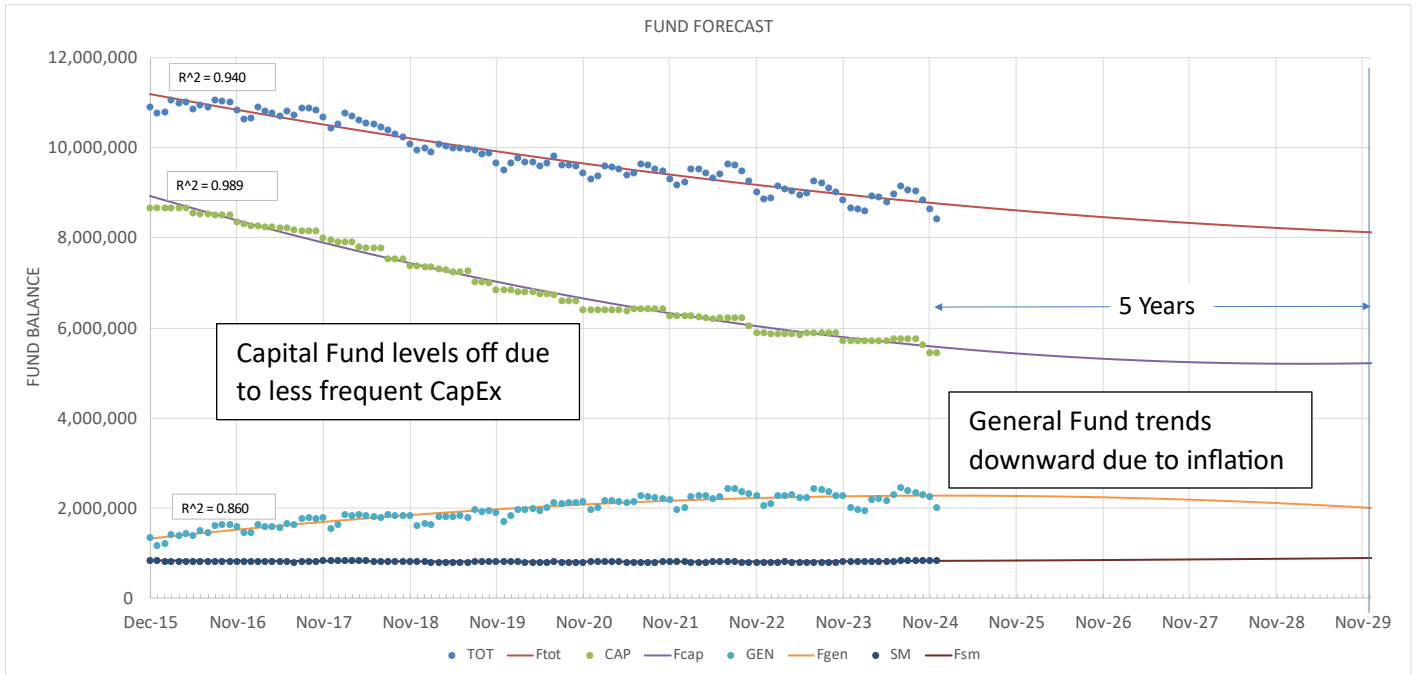
Fund balances were as follows:

Fund	DEC 2024	JAN 2025	Change
GENERAL	2,273,568	2,026,488	(247,080)
STREET MAIN	853,345	846,150	(7,195)
MAIN LICENSE	4,312	4,712	400
CAPITAL	5,456,717	5,453,361	(3,356)
POLICE PENSION	18,086	103,243	85,157
LAW ENFORCEME	560	560	0
DRUG FINES	150	150	0
POL.PROF.TRNG.	4,721	11,945	7,225
NOPEC	1,860	1,860	0
AMER. RESCUE PL	(0)	(0)	0
POL,FIRE,EMS,SEF	34,027	(9,843)	(43,870)
Totals	8,647,346	8,438,627	(208,720)

Star Ohio annualized yield as of 2/7/2025 was 4.60% ↑ with average days to maturity of 32.0 ↑.



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Funds forecast showing notable, evolving trends in Capital and General Funds.

End of report, respectfully submitted, Karl Scheucher, Waite Hill Council, Finance Committee Chairperson