

COUNCIL AGENDA

Monday, September 18, 2023 – 7:00 pm Waynesville Municipal Building, 1400 Lytle Road

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- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Mayor (for purposes of acknowledgments)
- IV. Disposition of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 Council, September 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
- V. Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments (A five minute per person time limit will be allowed for each speaker unless more time is requested and approved by a majority of the council)
 - Kirk Ridder to discuss a possible development project
- VI. Old Business
- VII. Reports
 - Standing Council Committees
 - a) Finance Committee
 - b) Public Works Committee
 - c) Special Committees
 - Village Manager's Report
 - Police Report
 - Finance Director's Report
 - Law Directors Report
- VIII. New Business:

Legislation:

Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-041

ESTABLISHING VARIOUS GRANT CONSTRUCTION FUNDS RELATED TO THIRD STREET AND FRANKLIN PHASE I AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-040

AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FED EXCAVATING, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$23,500 FOR THE REBUILDING OF EXISTING CATCH BASINS WITHIN THE VILLAGE STORMWATER SYSTEM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Second Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions:

Tabled:

- IX. Executive Session
- X. Adjournment

Next Regular Council Meeting:

October 2, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

Finance Meeting, September 21, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Meeting, September 26, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m
Special Meeting of Council to discuss Village ballot issues, October 2, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Village of Waynesville **Council Meeting Minutes** September 5, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Present:	Mr. Brian Blankenship
	Ms. Joette Dedden
	Mr. Zack Gallagher
	Mayor Earl Isaacs
	Mr. Troy Lauffer
	Mrs. Connie Miller
Absent:	Mr. Chris Colvin
Village Staff Safety Direct	Present: Jeff Forbes, Law Director; Chief Gary Copeland, Village Manager and or; Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council
CLERK'S No September 5,	OTE- This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 2023.
Mayor Isaacs	called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
Mr. Blankens Gallagher.	hip made a motion to excuse Mr. Colvin. The motion was seconded by Mr.
S	Motion – Blankenship
	Second – Gallagher
Roll Call – 6	
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Mayor Ack	nowledgements
Hope everyo	ne had a great Labor Day weekend.

Disposition	of Previous Minutes

Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2023, and Mr. Blankenship seconded the motion.

Motion - Miller

Second - Blankenship

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments
None

Old Business
None
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Reports

Finance

Finance will meet this Thursday, September 21st at 5:00 p.m. and everyone is invited to attend.

Public Works Report

The Public Works Committee met this evening to discuss ongoing projects within the Village. There will not be a meeting in October, instead, there is a Special Council Meeting to discuss ballot issues.

Special Committee Reports

None

Village Manager Report

- The red house on Route 42 next to Groceryland and the yellow house on North Street between Apple Plumbing and the 42 apartments are being bid out to be demolished. They are currently owned by Groceryland.
- The thefts that happened in February at Subway and McDonald's are very close to being solved. Currently working with other municipalities to press charges against the culprits.
 The Flock cameras were instrumental in solving the crimes and identifying the car and offenders.
- The property tax exemption form for the Bowman Property has been accepted and the Village has received a \$632.12 refund for taxes paid while waiting for approval. This land used to be leased out to be farmed but now is part of the wellfield where Well 10 is located.

- The Street Department has begun curb and asphalt repairs inhouse. This saves the Village quite a bit of money as the repairs can be costly.
- Brian Keith, Water Operator of Record, completed a 10-hour course to be counted towards ongoing education hours needed for his water license.
- The survey for the waterline easement for Well 10 has been completed. This easement is with Harvest Baptist Church and should be recorded next week.
- Well 6 was down but has been rehabbed and is now running at 442 GPM (Gallons Per Minute). Moody installed a new 40 HP pump. In 2009 the well produced 339 GPM and in 2015 produced 315 GPM. This is a great improvement. Pictures have been provided of the newly treated and cleaned well.
- A meeting with Nathan Russell from CenterPoint has been scheduled. He is relocating gas service lines along Franklin in anticipation of the Franklin Phase I project.
- Provided an invite from Groceryland for their Grand Reopening on September 3.
- Provided a flyer for the 911 Climb in remembrance of the World Trade Center attack. There is also a ceremony being held by the Warren County Sheriff's Department.
- A public notice was issued due to a car and a trailer being stolen. The notice asked residents to be vigilant and remember to lock their homes and cars and not to leave valuables unattended. Both the vehicle and trailer have since been recovered.

Police Report

- Calls for service, Mayor's Court month-end report, and code enforcement report have all been provided for review.
- Police have charged a water customer in the Township with tampering with the Village's water system. He was shut off for nonpayment and proceeded to get in the Village's meter pit and turn his water back on. This was after he was told this was not allowed. Furthermore, he left the tools and jumper right next to the water meter pit.
- All officers passed firearms qualifications and did very well. Lunch was provided and the officers were very appreciative. Thanks to Council for helping to provide lunch.
- Sgt. Denlinger's new cruiser is in service and looks great. The County Garage donated and installed the cages for the vehicle, helping save the Village money.

Mr. Gallagher asked if there was a tamper-proof meter pit to keep unauthorized individuals out. Chief Copeland responded that there really are not any. He also said that he told the individual three rules before charging him. 1) No one can get into the Village's pit without permission. 2) If you do receive permission, the Village will need to have bonding information on file in case the individual damages anything. 3) No one can get into their own pit without the supervision of Village staff.

Financial Director Report

None

Law Report

None	
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New Business	
None	

Legislation

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution No. 2023-039

Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor

Ms. Dedden made a motion to waive the two-reading rule for Resolution 2023-039 and Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden Second – Miller

Roll Call - 6 yeas

Ms. Dedden made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-039 as an emergency and Mr. Blankenship seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden Second – Blankenship

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Second Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

None
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Tabled Ordinances and Resolutions
None
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Executive Session
None

All were in favor of adjourning at 7:24 pm.
Date:
Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council

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WHEREAS, the Village of Waynesville has requested proposals for work related to the rebuilding of existing catch basins; and

WHEREAS, FED Excavating submitted the lowest and best proposal for said work with a bid of not to exceed \$23,500.

Proposal =

FED EXCAVATING, INC.
P.O. BOX 359
SPRING VALLEY, OH 45370
(937) 477-1572

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PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO	VAYMES VILLE	PHONE	DATE 9-13-23
STREET		JOB NAME	
CITY, STATE and ZIP CODE		JOB LOCATION	
ARCHITECT .	DATE OF PLANS		JOB PHONE
We hereby submit specifications and estimates for the submit specifications are submit specifications.	4	CATCH BAS	· /a/ 5
1) ANTHONY			3500 ~~
2) WINFIELD			3500 ""
3) MARVIN			3500"
4) 23 + Pin)(Z		2500
5) 42			10,500
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We propose hereby to furn	ish material and labor — co	mplete in accordance with a	above specifications, for the sum of: dollars (\$ 23,500).
Payment to be made as follows:	<u></u>		dollars (\$).
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All material is guaranteed to be as specified. All w manner according to standard practices. Any alteratic involving extra costs will be executed only upon with charge over and above the estimate. All agreements or delays beyond our control. Owner to carry fire, to Our workers are fully covered by Workman's Comp	on or deviation from above specifications itten orders, and will become an extra nts contingent upon strikes, accidents ornado and other necessary insurance.	Authorized Signature Note: This proposal ma withdrawn by us if not accepted w	ay be days.
Acceptance of Proposal and conditions are satisfactory and are her to do the work as specified. Payment will be	eby accepted. You are authorized	Signature	
Date of Acceptance:		Signature	<u> </u>

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WHEREAS, the Village of Waynesville has received certain Ohio Public Works Commission (OWC
grants and federal grants; and
WHEREAS, all monies collected as part of these grants shall be placed in a separate funds to be known
respectively as set forth herein.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Waynesville, Ohio,
members elected thereto concurring:
Section 1. That the following funds are hereby established in the Village treasury:
Third Street Construction Grant Fund – Fund 2062
Franklin Phase I Construction Grant Fund – Fund 2063
Third Street Federal Grant Fund – Fund 2052
Section 2. That monies deposited in these respective funds shall be used only for the purposes as established by the terms of the respective grants.
Section 3. That the Village Manager is further authorized to execute any related grant agreements.
<u>Section 4.</u> That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the Village and shall be effective immediately upon its adoption. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the need to establish the Funds prior to the award of the construction grants.
Passed this day of, 2023.
CLERK OF COUNCIL
MAYOR

Council Report

September 18, 2023
Chief Copeland

Manager

- The new well #10 waterline easement drawings and description by Reinke Group has been reviewed by the Warren County Mapping Department and County Recorder's Office. The drawings and description were approved and all fees were paid. Moody will complete well #10 next week and start the new waterline as soon as all the parts arrive.
- I have provided an ordinance including the quote from Fed Excavating to repair five catch basins. The photos below show the condition of the largest basin on SR42 in the median. All five basins are collapsing and need to be repaired. I have listed the locations below and the project will be paid from the storm water fund.
 - 1. SR42 (in the median near the sanitary sewer plant)
 - 2. Old SR73 (yard basin between Hilltop Court and Adamsmoor)
 - 3. Marvin's Lane (near Miami)
 - 4. Windfield Way
 - 5. Anthony Trace

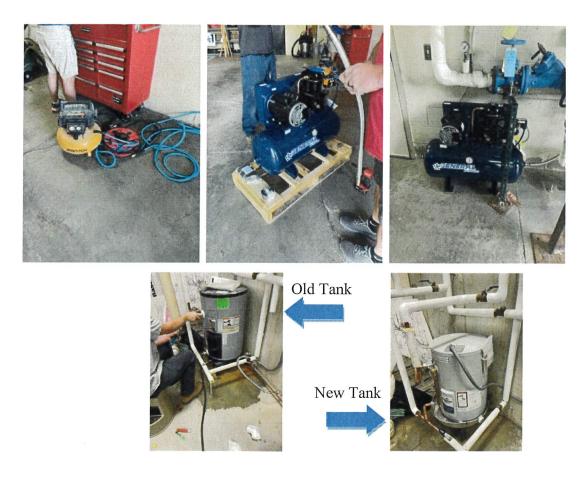






• On Thursday, September 7th at 10am, I met with Max Scherch and Jake Burke, Choice One Engineering, Nathan Russell of Waker Plumbing, and Kelly Spurlock of Center Point Energy to go over gasline relocations for the Franklin Road phase I project. We reviewed the new line locations and scheduled the project for between September 11th and September 15th. They will lower the gasline services for 320 and 340 Franklin Street to avoid the sanitary lines. Franklin Road will have 1-2 blocks closed to through traffic for one or two days.

of repair. The compressor for the Government Center fireline sprinkler system burnt up and had to be replaced. A temporary compressor was used as seen in the left side photo. The new compressor observed in the photo on the right side has been installed. The sprinkler system has been tested and is back on line. In addition, the basement hot water heater rusted out in the bottom and started to leak. We had it replaced on Wednesday, September 13th.



- I am looking into companies that decorate municipalities for the holidays. I have an appointment on Monday, September 18th at 10 am with Light-N-Up. I also have a call into Ohio Greenworks and Hensley Brothers for a quote.
- Groceryland (formerly Hometown Market) has hired Clear-It Ohio to demo the two homes connected to their property which they own. The yellow house at 127 North St. and the red house at 43 SR42. These two locations were in violation of several codes, so they decided to demo the locations instead of bringing them up to code. They will begin the demolition next week.

- I have a 12 pm meeting on Tuesday, September 19th at the Ohio Department of Transportation District #8 office. The meeting is to discuss the 23-0407 WAR100827 project, which is to rehabilitate the bridge over the Little Miami (WAR-73-1458) and repair the bridge over Corwin Nixon Rd. (WAR-73-1452). I will get the dates and ascertain what traffic impact it might have on the Village.
- Ashlee Fence has installed the fence for the lane that goes to well #10 at the rear of Bowman Park. This will help keep our well secure from the general public.



- Kirk Riforer of DDC Management out of Miamisburg has requested to be on the council agenda on September 18th. His company is interested in the 40 acres on Lytle Road across from the Municipal building and he would like to discuss possible annexation and rezoning. He will have flyers to hand out and requested additional time over the 5 minutes.
- The card readers at the pumping station went out. Brian Keith from the Water Department contacted the distributor because the units were under warranty. They sent us two new card reader units and Brian installed them. The water distribution at the Sawyer building appears to be working properly.

• Greg and Brian from the Village Maintenance Department have been cleaning catch basins throughout the Village.









- As per the request of a Council member, I contacted Joe Garrett from Trebel Energy. This was to get some assistance to inform residents the easiest and best way to get into the aggregate program and get out of other contracts. I have included the process he shared with me, and he stated that a flyer will be sent to all residents that have not converted over to the Village aggregation to this point with steps they can take to get into the Village program.
- The Council is invited to participate in the second annual Workforce Solutions Employer Forum. The event is at the Miami University Voice of America Campus, 6606 Tylersville Rd., West Chester Township, Ohio 45069 on September 29th from 8am-12pm. During the forum, they will provide valuable insights and resources to local employers enabling them to better retain their employees by addressing personal challenges that might hinder their professional growth. By attending, you'll have the opportunity to connect with other elected officials, local business leaders, and community stakeholders, all working towards a stronger and more vibrant workforce.

Police

- The Special Duty Agreement for the Sauerkraut Festival has been completed and signed. In addition, the Chamber request for the street closure on October 13th- 15th for the Annual Sauerkraut Festival has been approved and signed.
- The officers schedule for the Annual Sauerkraut Festival has been completed and a strategic plan for this year's event has been prepared. Warren County Communications will program radios for us to use that weekend and Chief Terrill from Clearcreek Police Department will have two speed trailers setup in the village for the event.

• I want to thank Cathy Bowersox and John & Heather Walton for the treats and food they provided to the officers for National Thank a Police Officer Day.





• I attended the Warren County September 11th Memorial S ervice on Justice Drive in Lebanon, Ohio. Photos of the event have been provided for your review.













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TRANSFER NOT NECESSARY MATT NOLAN, AUDITOR WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

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MATT NOLAN AUDITOR, WARREN CO. OHIO LINDA ODA WARREN COUNTY RECORDER

2023-019474

EASEMENT 09/12/2023 03:18:58 PM REC FEE: 66.75 PGS: 6

Auditor's Parcel ID # 06-31-351-011

DEED/GRANT OF WATER MAIN EASEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That Harvest Baptist Church of Warren County, an Ohio non-profit corporation, hereafter, Grantor, the Fee Simple owner of the real estate (the "Property"), located at N. Route 42, Waynesville, Warren County, Ohio 45068 within the Village of Waynesville, Ohio, Warren County, Ohio, identified in Instrument No. 2016-003288 and 2021-004157, of the Records of Warren County, Ohio, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, bargain, sell, convey and release to the Village of Waynesville, Ohio an Ohio municipal corporation, whose tax mailing address is 1400 Lytle Road, Waynesville, Ohio 45068, its successors and assigns, hereafter, Grantee, and to their agents, employees, successors and assigns forever, a non-exclusive, perpetual water line easement for the construction, operation, repair and/or replacement of water line on, above, under and through that portion of the aforementioned Property, as described on Exhibit "A" (the "Easement Area") and with the easement area being generally depicted on Exhibit "B", attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Included in the Easement Area shall be additional area granted by **Grantor to Grantee** for a temporary construction easement, approximately 50 feet in width and as more specifically set forth in Exhibit A.

All costs and expenses associated with the **Grantee's** construction, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement and restoration activities within the Easement Area described on Exhibit A shall be borne solely by the **Grantee.**

Grantor shall not construct any improvements within or upon the Easement Area or otherwise use the Easement Area in a manner that would materially interfere with the exercise by **Grantee** of its rights provided by this document.

The consideration mentioned herein includes total compensation for all damages caused by said construction, repair, maintenance, operation and inspection within the above described easement. **Grantee** shall, as soon as practical after the completion of any construction, maintenance, repair or replacement activities, restore the surface of the Easement Area to the same condition or better as existed immediately prior to the commencement of such activities by **Grantee** or its agents, employees or contractors.

The terms and agreement set forth herein shall be deemed to be covenants running with the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon, as the case may be, the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

Grantor, for itself and for its successors and assigns, does hereby COVENANT with the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, that it is the true and lawful owner of the said premises, and has full power to convey said easement, unencumbered.

It is agreed that wherever a party is named in this instrument there shall be intended and included, in each case, that party, its successors, and assigns.

Warren County, on this 1 day of A	of Harvest Baptist Church of, 2023.
	OWNER:
Witness:	HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WARREN COUNTY By:
STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF WARREN	ss:
The foregoing instrument was acknowledge by SHUL JOCKSON as Warren County, an Ohio non-profit corporation,	Pastov of Harvest Baptist Church of
ASHLEY SUTTON-RICHARDSON Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires: FEBRUARY 07, 2028	Ashly SPichardsm Notary Public My commission expires: Feb. 07,2028

Executed by Gary Copeland, Village Manager of the, on this day of	ne Village of Waynesville, Ohio,
	Village of Waynesville, Ohio
	ACCEPTED BY: Gary Copeland, Village Manager
STATE OF OHIO, COUNTY OF WARREN SS:	
The foregoing instrument this day of (), 2023, to of Waynesville, Ohio, an Ohio municipal corporation	was acknowledged before me by Gary Copeland, Village Manager of the Village a, on behalf of the corporation.
ASHLEY SUTTON-RICHARDSON Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires: FEBRUARY 07, 2028	Ashley SRi Chardson Notary Public
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Jeffrey D. Forbes, Law Director	

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This instrument was prepared by: Wood & Lamping, LLP.



CIVIL ENGINEERING LAND PLANNING SURVEYING 63 Rhoads Center Drive Centerville, OH 45458 www.ReinkeGroup.com 937.434.4810 phone 937.434.3978 fax

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF A WATER LINE EASEMENT

FROM: HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WARREN COUNTY





Pt 06-31-351-011 easement

AUGUST 29, 2023

Located in Section 31, Town 4, Range 5, MRS, County of Warren, Village of Waynesville, State of Ohio, being part of 26.9116 acres of the 41.868 acres (Survey Volume 103, Plat No. 13 as filed in the Warren County Engineer's Survey Records), conveyed to Harvest Baptist Church of Warren County, an Ohio non-profit corporation, by deed recorded at D.N. 2016-003288 of the Official Records of Warren County, Ohio, being more particularly described as follows;

Being a **PERMANENT EASEMENT** to the **VILLAGE OF WAYNESVILLE** for the installation, maintenance, replacement and use of a water line to be constructed from a Village well located on 87.6495 acres conveyed to the Village by deed recorded at O.R. Vol. 4675, Page 29 of the Official Records of Warren County, Ohio, and connecting to an existing water supply line located on 13.43 acres conveyed to the Village by deed recorded at O.R. Volume 1059, Page 843 of the Official Records of Warren County, Ohio, said PERMANENT EASEMENT being 20.00 feet in width, 10.00 feet on each side of the centerline described as follows:

Beginning at a capped iron pin found at the easternmost corner of said Harvest Baptist Church land, said POINT OF BEGINNING also being on the north line of said 87.6495 acres conveyed the Village of Waynesville;

Thence in a Westerly direction with the south line of said Harvest Baptist Church land and the north line of said Village of Waynesville 87.6495 acres, South 68°21′27″ West a distance of 529.56 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING and the centerline of this easement;

Thence crossing said Harvest Baptist Church land in a northerly direction North 34°15′23″ West a distance of 271.55 feet to the north line of said Harvest Baptist Church Land and the south line of said 13.43 acres conveyed to Village of Waynesville (said point being 645.55 feet west of the POINT OF BEGINNING as measured along the north line of said Harvest Baptist Church land and the south line of said 13.43 acre Village tract), and there terminate.

NOTES:

- 1. Said 20.00 Feet wide easement contains approximately 5,431 SF or 0.1247 acres more or less.
- 2. Also, a "TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT" 50.00 feet in width, 25.00 feet each side of the centerline described above.

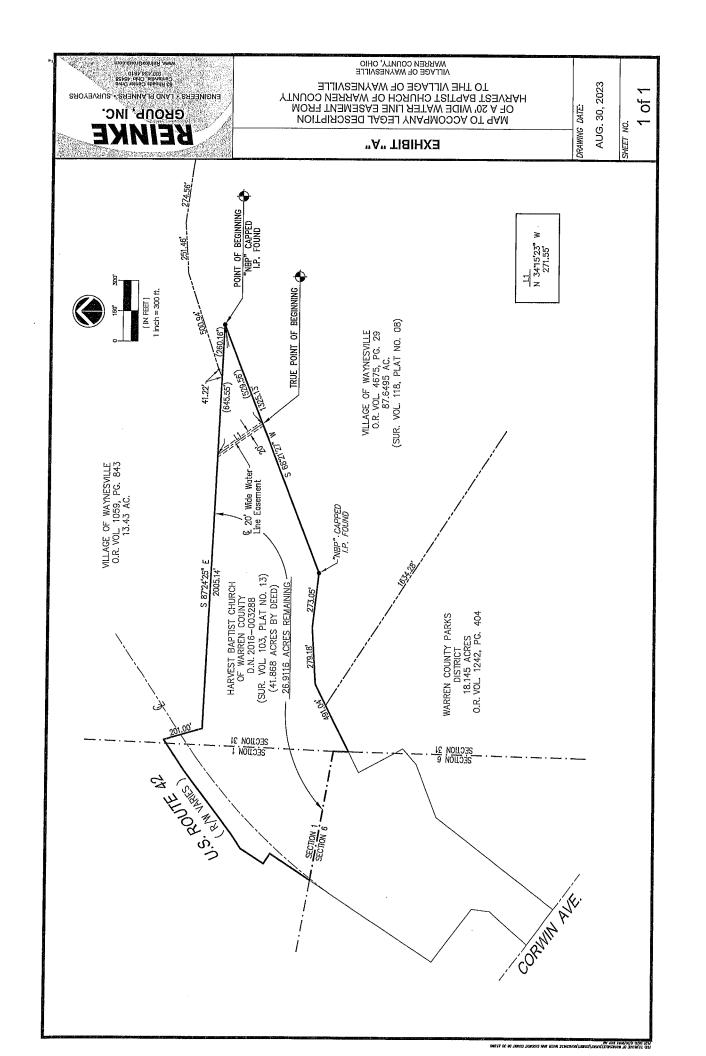
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF A WATER LINE EASEMENT FROM: HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WARREN COUNTY TO: VILLAGE OF WAYNESVILLE OHIO WARREN COUNTY, OHIO AUGUST 29, 2023

This legal description was prepared by the Reinke Group, Inc., in conjunction with an August 2023 survey by McDougall- Marsh and Associates.

<u>Basis of bearing</u>: South line of said Harvest Baptist Church land as shown on a survey recorded in Volume 103, Plat No. 13 of the Warren County survey Records.

This description prepared by:	
Reinke Group, Inc.	
63 Rhoads Center Drive	
Centerville, Ohio 45458	
937-434-4810	
	Date

George E. Reinke, Ohio Registered Land Surveyor #6207



Waynesville Village Aggregation Bulletin

(This is NOT an opt out notice. No action required.)

Residents and Businesses of Waynesville Village,

You have received this letter because our records indicate you are currently (at the outset) not an "eligible customer" to participate in the Waynesville Village Electric Aggregation Program. Most likely, you were/are receiving generation from another supplier. As a courtesy to those of you who are not initially eligible we are providing this letter to notify you of the aggregation programs terms and conditions and that you can join at any time. This letter provides you with the appropriate contacts should you have questions or would like to join the village's electric and natural gas aggregation program.

Electric Aggregation Program

Waynesville Village provides you with the opportunity to join with other residents to purchase discounted generation service. Savings are possible through a concept called government aggregation, where the village's council brings together citizens to gain group-buying power for the purchase of electric from a retail supplier certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Waynesville Village voters approved this program in November of 2022.

Under this arrangement, **Energy Harbor** has been selected as your Village's preferred electricity provider.

Through your Village Electric Aggregation Program *eligible residents* and *eligible businesses* will be receiving a **fixed rate of \$0.0683 per kWh.** This program will be available through your July 2025 meter read date. There is no cost for the enrollment, and you will not be charged a switching fee. *There is no early termination fee to leave the program at any point in the future.*

Budget billing of the AES (Utility) portion of the bill is available to anyone who prefers budget certainty. In order to have this service in place, please call **AES** at 1-800-433-8500.

To join the aggregation program, you can reach **Energy Harbor** at 1-866-636-3749, weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST.

Natural Gas Aggregation Program

Waynesville Village is providing you with the opportunity to join with other residents and businesses to receive preferred rates on the natural gas you use. The program is possible through a concept called governmental aggregation, where Village officials bring together citizens to gain group-buying power for

the purchase of natural gas from a retail supplier certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Village voters approved this program in November 2022.

Under this arrangement, Archer Energy has been selected as the Villages preferred natural gas provider.

Through your Village Natural Gas Aggregation Program, we are pleased to offer natural gas supply for your home or small business at a fixed rate of \$0.5699 per Ccf. This program will be available through May 2025. There is no cost for the enrollment, and you will not be charged a switching fee.

Budget billing of the **CenterPoint** portion of the bill is available to anyone who prefers budget certainty. In order to have this service in place, please call **CenterPoint** at 1-800-227-1376.

To join the aggregation program or to set up budget billing for the supplier portion of the bill, you can reach **Archer Energy** at 1-844-795-7491, weekdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST.

Questions regarding the aggregation program, how to join the program, or any questions regarding your specific existing energy services can be directed to the Village's Energy Consultant, Trebel, LLC, at 1-877-861-2772.

If you already have a supplier in place, under contract or not, and would like to inquire about joining the aggregation, please follow the simple steps below:

- 1. Call your existing supplier first. Ask them what the early termination fee is to leave them as a supplier.
 - a. If there is zero early termination fee then ask the supplier to place your account back with the utility.
 - b. If there is an early termination fee then you must decide if it's worth leaving the supplier early to join the aggregation. If you still want to proceed with joining the Aggregation, then direct the supplier to place your account back with the utility.
- 2. Call the aggregation supplier, listed on the front of this letter, and tell them you would like to join the community aggregation. Be specific about which community. Please have your utility bill ready as you need information from to enroll into the program.

For more information on <u>installing solar panels</u> in your home or business, please visit <u>www.trebelllc.com</u> or call us at 877-861-2772