

**Village of Waynesville
Council Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2023 at 7:00 pm**

Present: Mr. Brian Blankenship
Mr. Chris Colvin
Ms. Joette Dedden
Mayor Earl Isaacs
Mr. Troy Lauffer
Mrs. Connie Miller

Absent: Mr. Zack Gallagher

Village Staff Present: Jeff Forbes, Law Director; Chief Gary Copeland, Village Manager and Safety Director; Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council

***CLERK’S NOTE-** This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Monday, May 15, 2023.*

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Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Miller made a motion to excuse Mr. Gallagher from tonight’s meeting and Mr. Blankenship seconded the motion.

Motion – Miller
Second – Blankenship

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Mayor Acknowledgements

Attended several events this week with Chief Copeland.

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Disposition of Previous Minutes

Ms. Dedden made a motion to approve the minutes as written for the Council meeting on May 1, 2023, and Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden
Second – Miller

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments

None

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Old Business

None

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Reports

Finance

The Finance Committee will meet Thursday, May 18, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. and the public is invited.

Public Works Report

Public Works next meeting will be on June 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Special Committee Reports

None

Village Manager Report

- Unfortunately, Gary Campbell, owner of MVP in Corwin, passed away Thursday. He will be missed.
- Brian Corn and Brian Keith helped at the Recycle Rally. This was a joint venture between the Village and the Township and was very well received by the public.
- An ordinance on tonight's agenda for micro-surfacing several streets throughout the Village. The quote is \$91,844 but the ordinance is for \$100K in case there are additional alleyways or side streets that get added. This will be done at the same time as the Township roads are micro-surfaced.
- Provided a list of all items listed on Govdeals.com.
- Brian and Greg completed enclosing the storage room at the maintenance barn.

- Mayor Isaacs, Mrs. Miller, Lt. Bledsoe, and I attended a briefing presentation for Flock Cameras. Suggest waiting to see the outcome of the Police Levy before committing. A truck was recently stolen from a residence on Old Stage and checked the Flock Cameras from other municipalities. The truck was spotted in Centerville several weeks before.
- The materials for the road to Well 10 have been delivered. Moody attempted to get equipment out to dig the well but got stuck. The road will need to be completed before they can begin digging.
- Thank you to Mr. Colvin for delivering the letter to the Township Trustees asking for them to participate in a multi-jurisdictional for the OPWC Franklin Phase II. Mrs. Miller and Mayor Isaacs also attended the meeting.
- There will be a sixth-grade time capsule celebration at Wayne Local Schools tomorrow at 12:15 and Council members are invited to attend.
- Provided Council members with copies of the cybersecurity report. This is not public information as it pertains to the security of the Village. If anyone has questions, please contact me after the meeting.
- The Street Department went out with the hot box and repaired the streets.
- The Village-owned property on High Street is buildable and would like Council's input on how much to list the property. A meter pit was installed during the OPWC project for the water connection, which will save the builder money.

Police Report

- April Dispatched Calls for Service and Mayor's Court Month End Report has been provided.
- The Drug Take-Back Program at the Recycle Rally was a success, collecting 45.9 lbs. of prescription drugs that will be turned over to the DEA for disposal.
- Attended Judge Loxley and Judge Tepe's mentor appreciation awards breakfast. Council member, Brian Blankenship, and resident, Edward Bellman, were both honored and received special awards for their services.
- Provided certification for attending the Chief's In-Service and Annual Conference.
- Attended the Police Memorial Service today. It was very nice.
- Mayor Isaacs and I attended the 5th grade DARE Graduation. It was a very successful event.
- As part of the cruiser replacement program, a previously owned 2018 Ford Explorer has been purchased. This was formerly owned by a Fire Chief and included the radio system, light bar,

and spotlight. The Sheriff's Office has been contacted to see if they have a spare cage to further save money.

- A big thank you to Officer Mermann for preparing 90 lbs. of pulled pork for the Teacher Appreciation Lunch. I would like to see about doing the same thing for our staff.

Mr. Lauffer asked about the size of the building that would be able to be built on the High Street property. Ms. Morley stated that a 30' wide by 60' deep home would be within the zoning codes.

Ms. Dedden made a motion to set the selling price for the Village-owned property on High Street to 15K and Mr. Lauffer seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden

Second – Lauffer

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Financial Director Report

- There is a public hearing for the Planning Commission to consider a rezoning request for 407 High Street. Ms. Gabbard is requesting the property be rezoned from R-4 (Residential) to SO (Suburban Office). This property is known as the Friend's Apartments and has a large meeting hall and two apartments. Ms. Gabbard would like to continue to use the space as it has always been used and feels a SO zoning would be more appropriate for the usage. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission will make a recommendation to Council on the request. Council will then have to have a public hearing to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation and will need to pass an ordinance for it to be rezoned.

Law Report

None

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New Business

None

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Legislation

First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 2023-021

An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Third Street, Authorizing Conveyance of the Property to Abutting Owners, and Declaring an Emergency.

Ms. Dedden made a motion to waive the two-reading rule for Ordinance 2023-021 and Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden
Second – Miller

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Mr. Colvin made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-021 as an emergency and Mr. Lauffer seconded the motion.

Motion – Colvin
Second – Lauffer

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Ordinance No. 2023-022

Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into a Contract with Buckeye Power Sales for the Maintenance of Generators at the Covey Station and Government Building

Mrs. Miller made a motion to have the first reading for Ordinance 2023-022 and Ms. Dedden seconded the motion.

Motion – Miller
Second – Dedden

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Ordinance No. 2023-023

Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into a Contract with Strawser Construction, Inc. in an Amount not to Exceed \$100,000 for the 2023 Micro Surfacing Project

Ms. Dedden stated that this ordinance may need to be amended to be an emergency dependent on when the Township Roads are scheduled.

Mr. Blankenship made a motion to have the first reading for Ordinance 2023-023 and Mr. Lauffer seconded the motion.

Motion – Blankenship
Second – Lauffer

Roll Call – 6 yeas

Second Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution No. 2023 - 019

Proposing a Replacement Police Levy as Set Out in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(J) to be Submitted to the Electors

Ms. Dedden made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-019 and Mrs. Miller seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden
Second – Miller

Roll Call – 6 yeas

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Tabled Ordinances and Resolutions

None

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Executive Session

None

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Mr. Blankenship stated that the bench dedication to honor Dr. Stoudt at the Museum was a success and thanked Mrs. Miller for representing Council at the ceremony. He also relayed Ms. Edgington’s thanks to the Code Enforcement Officer.

Mr. Colvin asked what the timeline is for the OPWC grant in regard to the Township joining. Chief Copeland stated that they will need to know soon as the application needs to be submitted in June. Mr. Colvin stated that the Township was appreciative of Council members attending Township meetings. They also wanted to relay their thankfulness for helping with the Recycle Rally and the repaving of Wilkerson.

All were in favor of adjourning at 7:43 pm.

Date: _____

Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council