

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

HARVEYSBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 13, 2018

Note: This RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS is a summary of the discussions and is not a word for word account of the discussions.

The regular second Monday of the month meeting of the Harveysburg Village Council was held pursuant to call, upon the proper notice to the public, on August 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Harveysburg Village Government Center, 79 West Main Street, Harveysburg, Ohio 45032.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Verga, Council members: Pat Bennett, Randy Carruthers, Steve Cochran, Charles Juniel, Jim Nelson, and Trevor Rhoads - all responded here. Village Staff: Village Administrator – Doug Trimble, Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council – John Faulkner, and Village Solicitor – Joe Lucas also attended.

Guest attending tonight's meeting registered their names and addresses on the sign-in sheet provided by the Clerk of Council. Sheet attached.

The meeting was call to order by Mayor Verga at 7:08 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem, and a moment of silence.

MINUTES

Minutes of the July 23, 2018 meeting were approved. Mr. Cochran moved, Mr. Bennett 2nd. All members present voted aye.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the land area between the 73's where the large signs are displayed – the land owner has not been accurately confirmed. (note – the F O visited the maps room in the Warren County maps room see book #406, page 226. The parcel is privately owned by Waynesville residents, the entire parcel is listed as easements w/30-yr life and is not taxable because of the easements and has no parcel number.) The Mayor highlighted 'fake news' – from Iowa, goats are available as rental animals to clear large area tall grass. The Mayor had conversation with county officials about the current commitments and the unused/reserve capacity of the existing sewer system and the newspaper article of an 1,800-acre planned development. At the end of the day, it may not happen until the decade of the 2020-2030, if at all. The Mayor made comments about the Renaissance Music Festival and neighborhood reactions. There were some comments about this being the initial event and there are opportunities to work out/tweak the problem areas. The problems centered around the noise and how late into the night the event lasted. Chief Pottenger will have additional comments in his report. The Mayor talked about the tariffs from the federal government and the local impact to Tincher Welding LLC. They do not sell to the international market; the tariffs will have only minimal impact – only the Canadian & Mexican business may be lost. Other reports from the Mayor include (a) Shepherd's Ridge and the 18 remaining lots for sale. (b) The green "elephant" building belonging to Paul Brothers. Mr. Brothers is in some stage of negotiations with the owner of the Corwin boat dealership – thinking this could be used for winter boat storage. (c) options for the storm water drainage and funding. The village gave back to the county nearly \$100,000 (+/-) with the expectation of a plan being approved in 2019.

Discussion for replacing the failed air-handler in the gym. Last meeting the project was given ample discussion but there was not motion. Mr. Bennett moved to replace the air-handler by Payne Heating & Air LLC at a cost of \$3,264.10. Mr. Cochran 2nd. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads all voted yea. Motion passed. **Resolution #2018-042.**

Other topics included the overhanging tree limbs. Limbs lower than 14' violate the zoning regulations and must be trimmed. This hazard impacts the school buses and fire trucks. Councilpersons knowing this condition exists should contact the VA.

Halloween activities will be coordinated with the Community Relations Committee. The initial plan is for October 27th. The party from 4-6:00 and trick or treat from 6-8:00

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM

None

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR / STREETS & BUILDINGS REPORT

Village Administrator (VA) Trimble reported to council (1) the sidewalk project, (2) the street pot holes, (3) the shelter construction project, and the gym air handler. His report included a hand-out.

Mr. Trimble submitted a letter of retirement, effective August 30, 2018. Mr. Trimble offered options if another VA has not been hired. Council received the letter and intense discussions followed. Is it the desire of council to conduct a search, a 30-day advertisement to satisfy the legal requirements, or to hire an interim administrator? An individual's name surfaced that had expressed an interest when Mr. Trimble was hired. Mr. Cochran inquired about bringing him in to talk, hire him as in interim and asked if council needed a motion now – discussions continued. Mr. Nelson mentioned the 90-day probation employee handbook paragraph. Solicitor Lucas commented about "...he doesn't have exactly the right stuff on his resume", he can draw up an agreement for a 90-day interim. The discussion continued until the Mayor instructed the Solicitor to draw up the agreement, have it signed, and bring him in for the interim period.

Mr. Trimble will be available for a part-time, hourly agreement if this person doesn't work out and will volunteer for duties that can include (a) consultant to the police department, (b) 401-k (501-C non-profit?), (c) working hourly and part-time.

Mr. Cochran moved to bring on the interim village administrator, place an ad in the paper, and include the volunteer duties Mr. Trimble proposed in the above paragraph. Mr. Juniel 2nd. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads all voted yea. Motion passed. **Resolution # 2018-043.**

Mr. Cochran inquired about the total cost of the sidewalk project. Mr. Trimble will have the cost determined and make that information available.

VILLAGE SOLICITOR

The VS brought up the Sorice property and the severity of the erosion problem. The problem is greater than a truck load or two of dirt.

COUNCIL'S GUEST & PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA ITEMS

Fire Chief Don Fugate made his monthly visit to council reporting the activity of the Massie Township Fire Department, the people, the run activity and the new equipment placed in service. He extended an invitation to visit the firehouse on August 24, 2018 for their monthly luncheon.

Brenda Stacey, 10800 East SR 73, Waynesville came to the podium to comment about the Renaissance Center music festival. Her comments included (a) the noise, (b) the stage right behind her house, (c) the late hour of operation on Thursday. She commented this was the first such event and there were things that could be worked out before any future event.

UNFINISHED –OLD BUSINESS

(See Village Administrator's report)

NEW BUSINESS

(See Village Administrator's report)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police Department

Chief Pottenger reviewed the Police Department activities for July. A report was given to each councilman. Vehicle #4 has been taken to the prison vehicle repair garage for the heater core replacement and inspection. Chief has modified his report to also track hour of officers working. Work continues on the federal grant for a police vehicle. Chief talked about the Halloween activities, no different than listed above. The tables missing from the gym have been tracked from a vehicle license number on the security system. A new light fixture has been installed in the police office.

Community Relations

None

Planning Committee

The Planning Committee met on the 4th. Tuesday.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met in special session on July 5, 2018 to discuss the 2019 budget. Council approved the 2019 budget of estimated amounts. Mr. Bennett moved, Mr. Juniel 2nd. a motion to approve the budget original presented on June 11, 2018. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads all voted yea. Motion passed. **Resolution 2018-044.**

Records Committee

None

Grants

The National League of Cities has been sending bulletins and email communications. The Fiscal Officer forwards this on directly to the Mayor.

Tree Board

The Tree Board reported the need to re-do the Arbor Day proclamation, plan an Arbor day and other activities to maintain the Tree City designation.

BILLS AND FINANCE

Mr. Nelson moved to ratify and approve paying the bills, Mr. Juniel 2nd. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads all voted aye. Motion passed. **Resolution # 2018-045**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(None)

WORK SESSION

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

Having completed the business at hand, the next council meeting will be August 27, 2018 at 7:00 pm.
Motion to adjourn: Mr. Carruthers moved, Mr. Juniel 2nd. Voice vote: All members voted aye. Time 9:09 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Attachments: Council signature page and guest sign-in sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

John Faulkner, Clerk of Council