

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
HARVEYSBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 27, 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 fourth Monday of the month meeting of the Harveysburg Village Council was held pursuant to call, upon the proper notice to the public, on August 27, 2018 at 7:04 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 August 13, 2018 meeting were approved. Mr. Bennett moved, Mr. Juniel 2nd. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR’S REPORT

The Mayor began his remarks this evening with a couple of “goat stories.” One from Iowa and the second from the White House during the presidency of Abraham Lincoln. Upcoming dates to mark on the calendar include 09/15 Intelliwave pizza party @ Hatton- Lukens Park, 09/22 the Harveysburg Community Foundation will be holding a fundraising dinner in the gym, 10/20 Arbor Day celebration with many activities, 10/27 Halloween kids party 3 – 6:00 pm followed by the annual trick or treat. 11/02 a planning/zoning training session in northeast Ohio, 12/07 the Harveysburg Annual Christmas dinner in the gym – new hosts/cooks with participation from the Massie Twp. Fire Dept. and the motorcycle club. The Mayor reported Ms. Judy Haller, a long-time community advocate and charter member of the grants committee has recently been diagnosed with lung cancer. The Mayor, Council & administration send their recovery wishes.

The Mayor made a comment about the serious rain fall in the Hawaiian Islands and the Challenger shuttle disaster and how small things can cause great problems.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM

None

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR / STREETS & BUILDINGS REPORT

Village Administrator (VA) Trimble reported to council (1) the sidewalk project has been completed and suggestions for future similar projects, (2) the street pot holes, (3 and the gym air handler. The VA also reported on the Public Entities Pool of Ohio, Loss Control Specialists Dan Gilmer’s recommendations to secure hold harmless agreements when renting the gym, replace the failed batteries in the emergency lights and exit signs, and to implement a policy for an annual motor vehicle records check of employees who operate village owned vehicles/equipment.

VILLAGE SOLICITOR

(None)

COUNCIL'S GUEST & PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Brenda Routhier addressed council as an interested investor for real estate in the Harveysburg community. She had several concerns that focused on water intrusion and storm water runoff. Council recognized her concerns and responded by sharing the attempts to secure financing and grants to begin fixing the problem. This is not a community wide problem but in selected areas it is a big problem. Discussions continued with any resolutions.

UNFINISHED –OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Nelson, representing the historic Harveysburg School, asked council's permission for vehicle parking along Old Rte. 73 & North Street for the Black School Festival on September 15, 2018. Discussions followed and permission was granted for this one-day event along Old Rte. 73 only.

The garbage and trash delinquent accounts were discussed. The Village Solicitor has begun the legal process with the greater offender. Council passed an emergency resolution to waive the three readings of a resolution to forward the delinquent accounts to the Warren County Auditor's office and allow the amounts to be included in their real property taxes.

Mr. Bennett moved, Mr. Cochran 2nd. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, and Mr. Rhoads voted yea, Mr. Nelson voted nay. Motion passed. Mr. Cochran then moved to adopt the resolution moving the delinquent accounts on to the Auditor's office, Mr. Juniel 2nd. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, and Mr. Rhoads voted yea, Mr. Nelson voted nay. Motion passed with both questions included in this resolution. **Resolution #2018-049**

Early estimates for the concrete sidewalk project indicate \$2,950.00 has been spent. There are two known concrete invoices and screened earth invoices unpaid as of this date. The F O has asked the Village Administrator's office for hours/labor spent on this job. To date no response. The F O will figure it out, editing the changes and advise council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police Department

Chief Pottenger reviewed the Police Department activities for August. A report was given to each councilman. Vehicle #4 has been taken to the prison vehicle garage for the heater core replacement and inspection. Work continues on the federal grant for a police vehicle – the current report is the “funds have dropped”. Officer Cruse and the Chief are working to complete any additional paperwork. The Grants Committee met in special session to approve the additional grant requested information.

Chief talked about the Halloween activities and the fall start-up of Saturday morning basketball beginning 10/13. The Chief briefed council on the possibility of including a non-bite dog as part of the community law enforcement. This dog would be specifically trained for drugs, search, tracking, and other non-bite operations. The Chief is researching other community's noise and operating ordinances for possible inclusions in the Harveysburg's ordinances.

Councilman Cochran asked about the length of time the Federal grant has been pending to prepare council and administration for why two new police vehicles. The Federal grant was applied for nearly a year ago and the Village

notified in January +/- we would be receiving the grant. Legal problems out of the control of Harveysburg have delayed the receipt of the funds.

Community Relations

(None)

Planning Committee

The Planning Committee met on the 4th. Tuesday.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met tonight & prior to the Council meeting. Highlights from that meeting include new business items: (1) the Federal Grant for the additional police vehicle, the funds have dropped, (2) The Police Department is in the application process for additional grants - computers and body armor vests. Again, the BWC has announced a grant process for these vests. (3) the bi-annual audit is in the finishing up process. FO Faulkner has been in communication with the auditors.

The Chief has been talking with a vendor for body cameras and a docking station. The Mayor inquired about the progress of replacing the air-handler with Payne Heat & Air LLC – a requisition has been issued to Payne. Mr. Mike Hatfield has volunteered as treasurer for the levy committee for the police and operating levies. Finally, the table & chair rental process was discussed – specifically the process of handling deposits. Rental fees are not the question.

Council approved the Fiscal Officer's request to amend appropriations and/or transfer monies to funds where needed for the balance of FY2018 – amount approved \$55,500.00. The specifics to follow.

Records Committee

Planned meeting to be on October 4th.

Grants

Ms. Couch has completed the grant writing training class and received her certificate of completion. The grant's committee voted her the chairperson. The F O has advised there are grants already available through the Public Entities Pool of Ohio, the Bureau of Workman's compensation – two different opportunities.

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 # 2018-047.**

Mr. Nelson moved to accept the village financial records and reconciliations as presented by the fiscal officer for the month ending July 31, 2018, Mr. Bennett 2nd. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads all vote yea. Motion passed. **Resolution # 2018-048.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Bennett moved and Mr. Juniel 2nd. a motion to adjourn into executive session to consider from the Ohio ORC – 121.22 (G) (1) the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, demotion, or the compensation of a public employee, official. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads voted yea. Motion passed. Time 8:47 pm. **Resolution # 2018-050.**

At 9:17 pm Mr. Cochran moved and Mr. Bennett 2nd. a motion to return to the open/public meeting of Council. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Rhoads voted yea. Motion passed.

In the public meeting, Mr. Bennett moved and Mr. Juniel 2nd. a motion to grant employee Joe Nelson and \$1.00 per hour raise effective the first payroll in September, 2018. A roll-call vote followed: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carruthers, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Juniel, and Mr. Rhoads voted yea. Mr. Nelson abstained. Motion Passed. **Resolution # 2018-046.**

WORK SESSION

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

Having completed the business at hand, the next council meeting will be on September 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm.
Motion to adjourn: Mr. moved, Mr. 2nd. Voice vote: All members voted aye. Time 9:19 pm. Meeting adjourned.

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

Respectfully submitted,

John Faulkner, Clerk of Council