**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of The Regular Meeting

Held July 27, 2020, @ 7:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular session with Austin Scheiner, James R. Miller, Lora Lyons, Andrew Head, and Kevin Wannemacher present. Andrew Zartman and Steve Wobler were absent.

Village of Payne Council President Austin Scheiner presided over the meeting since Mayor Wobler was unable to attend.

Guests Present: Property owner, James Varner, Police Chief Rodney Miller, Fire Chief Jesse Hefner and EMS Coordinator, Sadie Litzenberg.

The Minutes from the July 13, 2020, meeting were read, and approved as read.

Property owner, James Varner addressed the Council concerning a statement he received for mowing. Police Chief Miller presented a picture of the property that was not mowed and the sign that he had posted per the Village ordinance. Mr. Varner thought the $200 charge for each mowing was excessive. He stated that twice when he drove 32 miles one way to mow and the lot had already been mowed. After a discussion with the Council, it was agreed that Mr. Varner would pay a total of $250.00 for the mowing. Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to accept $250.00 for mowing Mr. Varner’s property at 217 Dallas, instead of his statement amount of $600.00, Councilman Miller seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**EMS: Coordinator Litzenberg** was present and reported the following to Council:

1. There have been thirteen runs in July. Two mutual aid runs, one to Paulding and one to Antwerp.

2. $300.00 has been received for working at Wetzel last summer. That money has been deposited into the EMS Memorial Fund.

3. Council President Scheiner gave Sadie a handout from Zoll.

**Fire Department: Chief Hefner** was present and reported the following to Council:

1. There has been one run in July.

2. All trucks have been repaired and are back in service.

3. Chief Hefner and Council discussed the ongoing fuel issues. Council President Scheiner reported that Mercer Landmark has agreed to provide a 300 gallon tank, a pump and a

containment system. A discussion was held concerning where to locate the tank and the accountability if the Village uses the fuel as well as the Fire and EMS Departments.

It was agreed to discuss this further at the meeting with the Benton and Harrison Township Trustees on Wednesday July 29, 2020.

**Police Department: Chief Miller** was present and reported to Council the following:

1. Three junk vehicles have been removed from the Village.

2. Officer Howe has started working.

3. A quote from Statewide Ford was presented for informational purposes for a 2020 Ford Police Cruiser. The current cruiser is scheduled for replacement in the fall of 2021. The price of the quote was $41,599.00.

**Street:**

1. A “Children at Play” sign has been placed on South Laura Street per a request by a resident.

2. A “25 MPH Speed Limit” sign has been placed on Foraker per a citizen request. There

was not speed limit sign posted.

3. The chipper had fuel issues. The filters were replaced.

4. There is a tree leaning on the wires at 416 North Main Street. AEP will not trim the tree.

The suggestion was made to check with Frontier to see if the wires belong to them.

**Zoning: Inspector Tom Sinn** was present.

1. Inspector Sinn stated that he has not felt comfortable going door to door to discuss zoning issues with the COVID-19 restrictions. Also, he will not be available for about one month due to a family health procedure. However, he will check with a homeowner on Townline before he is unavailable concerning the vehicles on his property.

**Committee Reports:**

1. The meeting with the Benton and Harrison Township Trustees is Wednesday July 29, 2020 at 7 p.m.

**Correspondence Letters:**

1. Council President Scheiner reported that Mayor Wobler received a survey from Economic Development Director Tim Copsey. It was a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWAT) analysis. The Mayor completed the form and returned it.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Council President Scheiner informed Council that the tree removal in the alley behind the Post Office has not been completed.

2. Council President Scheiner reported that Brooks Paving will notify the Mayor two weeks prior to starting. The Mayor did send an email to Brian at Taylor Glass to concerning the paving project. The Mayor will contact Taylor Glass with the exact date of the project so they can prepare.

3. Council President Scheiner stated that the Mayor said the live feed camera should be able to be linked to the Village web server. A PTZ camera will be needed and more research to link the feed to the webpage and/or Facebook.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Council President Scheiner reported that the Mayor said complaints have been received concerning residents not cleaning up after their dogs in town and at the Village Park. A notice was posted on Facebook.

2. Council President Scheiner informed Council that Councilwoman Lora Lyons has been accepted as the Village representative to the Vision Board.

3. Council President Scheiner stated that the Vision Board has awarded the Village $1000.00 for a beautification project. The project is to be coordinated with Lisa McClure at the Paulding County Area Foundation. The deadline to submit invoices is December 18, 2020. The Council discussed purchasing flower planters for Main Street.

Council will need to research the cost of flower planters.

4 Council President Scheiner informed Council that face coverings are now required in the Village Office by visitors per Governor DeWine’s mandate.

5. Council President Scheiner introduced Resolution 2020-Q, a resolution to amend permanent appropriations, and declaring an emergency. Councilman Miller made a motion to suspend the rules, Councilwoman Lyons seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Council President, Austin Scheiner, read Resolution 2020-Q. Councilman Wannemacher made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-Q, Councilwoman Lyons seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**BPA:** Council President Scheiner informed Council about the following information he received from Mayor Wobler concerning the BPA:

1. Two water leaks have been repaired. One on Merrin Street and the other on North Main Street.

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2. The CBDG West Street Loop Project will start this week.

**Good and Welfare:**

1. The Payne American Legion 100th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for September 12, 2020, has been canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions. They plan to reschedule in 2021.

Councilman Miller made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented by the Fiscal Officer. Councilman Scheiner seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Head moved to approve the payment of bills presented, Councilwoman Scheiner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with Councilman James R. Miller abstaining from voting on any payments to Rodney Miller.

With no further matters to discuss, Councilman Miller moved to adjourn, Councilwoman Lyons seconded, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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Village of Payne, Council President Austin Scheiner Fiscal Officer, Rhonda Stabler