**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of The Regular Meeting

Held March 28, 2022, @ 7:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular session with Austin Scheiner, Lora Lyons, Jason Hower, Nancy Speice, Kevin Wannemacher and Allen Wobler present. Jennifer Zartman was absent.

Guests Present: Police Chief Rodney Miller, Police Officer Kyle Wobler, Fire Chief Jesse Hefner, Assistant EMS Coorindator Travis Zartman, Payne Resident Ron Etzler, Lisa McClure Candidate for Paulding County Commissioner, Jennifer Lloyd from Real Waste Disposal, Blake Austin from Rumpke Waste and Recycling and Adam Papin and Jenna Hankinson from the Paulding Progress.

The Minutes from the March 28, 2022, meeting were read, and approved as read.

Mayor Scheiner welcomed the guests and invited Lisa McClure to speak first. Lisa introduced herself as a candidate for Paulding County Commissioner. She gave her personal and professional background and the areas of action she would pursue as a Paulding County Commissioner. She also discussed her idea for a strategic plan. She concluded by asking those present for their vote.

Payne Resident Ron Etzler spoke to Council about an article he read about a natual gas aggregrate. Muirfield Energy consultant Cathi Lydy was named in the article. He suggested inviting her to a meeting to discuss the natural gas aggretate to see if Muirfield Energy could help the residents of Payne with their natural gas costs.

Adam Papin, Editor of the Paulding Progress introduced his reporter, Jenna Hankinson, who will be covering the Village of Payne Council Meetings.

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

1. There have been eight runs this month.
2. The two front tires on 51 have been replaced. The cost of the tires was $127.42 each. The tires will be mounted and balanced and a front end aligment completed by Stykemain Chevrolet. The back tires on 51 will need replaced soon also.
3. One of the computers purchased from the Van Wert Fire Department is being repaired by Small Business Technologies, Inc., in Paulding, Ohio for approximately $300.00. Both computers purchased need new charges at a cost of $37.00 each.
4. The quote from Stryker Sales Corporation for the annual maintenance agreement is $2,903.00. Last year the cost was $2,140.00.
5. An EMS Tech application was presented to Mayor Scheiner and the Council for Josh Kuhn. Josh will need to attend school. After reviewing the application, Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to hire Josh Kuhn has an EMT Tech. Councilman Hower seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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

1. The Quarterly Fire/EMS Meeting with the Benton and Harrison Township Trustees is scheduled for Saturday April 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.
2. There have been three runs this month.
3. The MARCS radios need an upgrade. There are twenty-two portable radios, seven radios in the trucks and the Police Department has six radios. A quote has been received from RayleCom Communications, LLC in Defiance, Ohio for $8,550.00 for the Fire/EMS radios. The radios must be updated by 2025. Police Officer Kyle Wobler stated that the Paulding County Sheriff and the Paulding County Commissioners are looking into funding the upgrades. The upgrade will be discussed with the Benton and Harrison Township Trustees at the meeting on Saturday.

**Police Department: Chief Miller and Officer Wobler** were present and reported to Council the following:

1. There will be Death Investigation Training in Blue Ash, Ohio on August 22-26, 2022 for the cost of $650.00. Chief Miller asked Council to approve registering Officer Wobler for the training. The rebate received from the Ohio Plan for the Lexipol training will cover the cost of the training and the hotel stay. Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to have Officer Wobler attend the Death Investigation Training in August. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Officer Wobler has completed his six-month probationary period. Chief Miller recommended removing him from probationary status. Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to remove Officer Wobler from probationary status. Councilman Wannemacher seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
3. At the last meeting, there was a question regarding a rooster within the town limits. Chief Miller stated that the rooster is a zoning issue.
4. Chief Miller stated that he and Officer Wobler will begin doing litter and junk complaints about the third week in April.

**Street: Mayor Scheiner** stated that there was nothing to report for the Street Department.

**Zoning: Inspector Tom Sinn** was not present and Mayor Scheiner reported the following to Council:

1. There have been complaints of commercial motor vehicles parked in unauthorized areas. Mayor Scheiner has asked Zoning Inspector Sinn to look into the complaints.

**Committee Reports:**

1. The Quarterly Fire/EMS Meeting is Saturday April 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

**Correspondence Letters:**

1. Mayor Scheiner informed Council he received a letter from the Ohio EPA stating that on October 13, 2021, they conducted explosive gas monitoring at the Payne City Dump East in Paulding County, Ohio. Seven gas sampling locations were performed in the landfill to determine if the landfill is still generating methane gas. Explosive gas was not detected in any of the sampling locations. In the Spring 2022, the Ohio EPA plans to retest in or adjacent to the landfill to further evaluate methane generation from the landfill.
2. Mayor Scheiner informed Council he received an update from RITA concerning Ohio House Bill 519. The bill has been voted out of the Ohio House Ways and Means Committee. House Bill 519 seeks to reduce the late filing fees municipalities can charge taxpayers who file returns late and seeks to restrict the timing of certain communictions from tax administrators to taxpapers. The Bills must still be passed by full Oho House of Representatives and then go to the Ohio Senate for additional consideration.
3. Mayor Scheiner provided Council with a letter from RITA that addresses Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 33. This letter will be retained for audit purposes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that after the last Council meeting he spoke with the representative from American Tower to negotiate a lump sum payment over $10,000.00. He was informed they would not offer a lump sum payment in excess of $10,000.00. Councilman Hower made a motion to allow Mayor Scheiner to have American Tower prepare a contract based on Option 5. Councilman Wannemacher seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that the insurance renewal with V.S. Beck Insurance has been paid. Adding the sampler for the Sewer Department and changing the cyber deductible to $5,000.00 resulted in an additional premium of $265.00 per year opposed to the initial quote of over $600.00.
3. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that the Lead Service Line Grant paperwork was submitted today. He thanked Councilwoman Lyons and Councilman Wobler for their work on the grant.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that he received a request from the Ohio Treasurer of State to approve publishing on the Village’s data. Since the Village does participate in the Ohio Checkbook, Fiscal Officer Rhonda Stabler will respond to the email with the approval.
2. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that an email was received from BWC announcing the Policy Acitivity Rebate program. The program provides an opportunity to earn 50% premium rebate up to $2,000.00 in one day by completing training. Mayor Scheiner stated that Fiscal Officer Rhonda Stabler will complete the training.
3. Mayor Scheiner explained to Council that there has been some debate on the wording of the overtime/comp time section of the salary ordinance. After some discussion, it was decided to continue the discussion in executive session.
4. Mayor Scheiner introduced Resolution 2022-D, a resolution to amend appropriations for the Fire Fund for training expenses, and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Speice made a motion to suspend the rules, Councilwoman Lyson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. President of Council, Lyons, read Resolution 2022-D. Councilwoman Speice made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-D, Councilman Hower seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Mayor Scheiner introduced Resolution 2022-E, a resolution to amend appropriations for the Water Fund, and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Speice made a motion to suspend the rules, Councilman Wobler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. President of Council, Lyons, read Resolution 2022-E. Councilman Wannemacher made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-E, Councilman Wobler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
6. Mayor Scheiner introduced Resolution 2022-F, resolution to amend appropriation for the General Fund, Street Fund, EMS Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund to account for an increase in BWC payments, and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to suspend the rules, Councilman Hower seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. President of Council, Lyons, read Resolution 2022-F. Councilwoman Lyons made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-F, Councilman Wobler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
7. Mayor Scheiner presented Council with the proposed mosquito spraying schedule from Buckeye Exterminating. The cost is $365.00 per treatment. That is an increase of $5.00 per treatment from 2021. Councilman Wobler made a motion to accept the schedule with two changes. Eliminate the treatment on October 4, 2022 and move the August 30, 2022 treatment to September 6, 2022. Councilman Wannemacher seconded with the two changes and the motion passed unamiously. Fiscal Officer Rhonda Staber will call to make the changes and request an updated schedule to reflect the changes.
8. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that the Anthem renewal has been received. There is a 11.31% increase for the next year beginning in June 2022. Anthem Representative Mike Goggin is looking into other options and will be getting back with the Village mid-April 2022.
9. Mayor Scheiner informed Council that a request have been received from the U.S. Department of Commerce-Census of Government to complete a survey of Public Employment and Payroll. Fiscal Officer Rhonda Stabler will complete the survey.
10. Mayor Scheiner stated that he has received two bids for the removal of garbage, rubbish, refuse and bulky waste.

Rumpke Waste and Recycling will provide one time per week solid waste collection for all residential units. Rumpke wil collect up to six 35-gallon bags/cans or two 95-gallon trash carts per service day. Two large and/or bulky items will be collected one time per month at no additional charge on a designated day of the month. All upholsterd items must be wrapped and sealed in plastic prior to collection day. Carts will be made available to all residents at $3.50 per cart, per month. Carts will be billed directly to the resident on a quarterly basis. All carts will remain property of Rumpke. Rumpke will invoice the Village on a monthly basis for solid waste and curbside recycling collection for a three year contract period as follows:

May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023 $15.55 per unit per month
May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024 $16.09 per unit per month

May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025 $16.66 per unit per month

Bag Tags $2.00 per tag

Real Waste Disposal, LLC will provide weekly pick up of up to four 30 gallon plastic bags, not to exceed 50 pound each. Residents inside the Village will not be charged for use of 1 Ultra Cart. Bulky waste will be limited to four bulky items only. Items not included in Bulky waste pick up are as follows contruction material, anything containing freon, propane tanks, ashes, yard waste, tires, car batteries, vehicle parts, concrete, rocks, bricks, wet paint, carpet, hazardous material and extra bags. The contractor shall be paid the following sum by each resident:

$10.00 per month commencing May 1, 2022

$10.95 per month commencing May 1, 2023

$11.95 per month commencing May 1, 2024

Jennifer Lloyd stated that bag tags would remain at $0.50 each.

 After reviewing each bid, Councilman Allen Wobler made a motion to accept the bid from Real

 Waste Disposal, LLC as stated in their bid. Councilman Wannemacher seconded and the motion

 passed unanimously.

**BPA:** There was no report from the BPA.

**Good and Welfare:**

1. Mayor Scheiner and the Village of Payne Council would like to thank Homier & Sons for moving the cement blocks at the Street Department without cost. The cement blocks are to organize the sand, stone and grit at the department.

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

Councilman Hower moved to approve the payment of bills presented, Councilman Wannemahcer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Wannemacher moved to go into executive session for personnel and legal reasons at 8:19 p.m., and Councilman Wobler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Wannemacher moved to go back into regular session at 9:47 p.m., and Councilwoman Lyons seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

After returning to regular session, Councilman Wannemacher made a motion to pay $4,800.00 from the General Fund to participate in the Paulding County Water Survey, to change the salary ordinance for police officers to match the Village of Paulding’s vacation schedule and to change the salary ordinance to allow a police officer to receive one week vacation after completing their six-month probationary period. Also, to change the salary ordinance for all employees to limit the number of comp hours to 40 hours and to state that all comp hours must taken by the end of the first pay period in December each year. Councilwoman Lyons seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

With no further matters to discuss, Councilwoman Lyons moved to adjourn, Councilman Wannemacher seconded, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

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Mayor Austin Scheiner Fiscal Officer Rhonda Stabler