**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of The Regular Meeting

Held June 26, 2023, @ 7:00 P.M.

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

Council President Lora Lyons presided over the meeting in absence of Mayor Austin Scheiner.

Guests Present: Fire Chief Jesse Hefer, EMS Coordinator Travis Zartman, Police Chief Rodney Miller, Police Officer Kyle Wobler, Paulding Progress Editor Jerry Stanford, Payne resident Geraldine Wolf and Umpire Gene Olwin.

The Minutes June 12, 2023 meetings were read. Councilman Hower a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Council President Lyons welcomed Gene Olwin. Gene stated he was attending the meeting to point out a concern at the Village of Payne ballfields at the Village Park. He showed Council a picture of the areas in foul territory on the front ballfield that are rough and are partially sandstone and grass. His concern is the ball players running into the uneven ground and getting injured. Council agreed that the area is a danger and will contact the Payne Ball Association. Councilmen Hower and Wobler will also visit the ball park to view the area after the meeting.

Council President Lyons welcomed Geraldine Wolf. Geraldine was concerned about weeds in two of her neighbor’s yards that were growing into her fence. Council President Lyons assured Geraldine that she would contact the both neighbors and ask that the weeds be removed and maintained.

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

1. There have been ten runs this month.

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

1. There have been six runs this month.
2. Hanenkratt Plumbing will look at the plumbing issues Thursday June 29, 2023. TriCounty Roofing looked at the roof and a quote is expected tomorrow. Morrow Painting has been contacted for a quote on painting the building. Kinkaid Painting did look at the building but has not submitted a quote. The new electronic sign is to be installed next week. The air packs and masks will be serviced next month.
3. Council President Lyons asked Chief Hefner if the Fire Department would participate in Rock the Block scheduled for September 9, 2023. The parade will be at 3:00 p.m. and the Candy Fun Run at noon. She also asked if the department would be interested in sponsoring a lunch on Sunday September 10, 2023. Chief Hefner stated that he would ask the firefighter if they would be interested in sponsoring the lunch.

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

1. His cruiser has been repaired by Smalley’s Body Shop and the decals will be repaired in two-three weeks.
2. Council President Lyons stated that the starter on the out of service cruiser is weak. She recommended waiting another month to decide what to do with the old cruiser.

**Street:** **Council President Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. The additional full-time Class 3 Laborer will be discussed in executive session.
2. The ad for paving bids will be in the Paulding Progress July 5, 2023 and July 12, 2023. The last day to accept bids will be July 21, 2023 and the bids will be opened at the July 24, 2023 Council Meeting.
3. A quote for a new mower lease was presented to Council. The quote if $200.00 more each year or $2,000.00 per year. Councilman Wobler made a motion to enter into a new lease with Homier and Sons for a mower at the cost of $2,000.00 per year for two years. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Zoning: Zoning Inspector Gonzales** was not present.  **Council President Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. Council was given an email from Tommy Holmes, the owner of the residence at 301 W. Oak St. Tommy asked that he be allowed to leave the fence in the right away. Council discussed and agreed that the fence needs to be moved in 10 feet so that the right away is clear. Council President Lyons stated that she will coordinator moving the fence with Zoning Inspector Gonzales and previous Zoning Inspector Sinn.
2. There is a conditional use permit application. There will be a public hearing regarding the conditional use permit on June 29, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

**Committee Reports: Council President Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. TC Concrete has submitted a quote for the concrete drive and parking at Buckeye Park. The quote for 3100 square feet of four-inch concrete with rebar is $16,000.00. The quote for 4000 square feet of four-inch concrete with rebar is $20,000.00. The quote for 4000 square feet includes a parking area. The quote for 3100 square feet does not include an area for parking. During the discussing, it was suggested that the Village request the work to be completed by the Rock the Block event on September 9, 2022, that speed bumps be added and that the concrete drive be for one-way traffic from east to west with appropriate signage indicating the one-way direction and to have do not enter signage on the west side of the drive. Councilman Wobler made a motion to accept the quote for 4000 square feet of concrete at $20,000.00 with all the suggestions discussed above. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Council President Lyons reported that the Event Committee met on June 22, 2023. The schedule is almost complete for the Rock the Block event on September 9, 2023. The committee is looking for someone to take over the Car Show/Cruise-In Event.

**Correspondence Letters:**

1. Council President Lyons informed Council that there is a Farm Bureau Luncheon on Tuesday July 18, 2023 at noon at the Paulding County Fairgrounds. Council President Lyons has the information for those who are interested in attending.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Council President Lyons informed Council that weather permitting, the repairs to the outside of the Village Hall will be completed on Wednesday June 28, 2023.
2. Council President Lyons explained to Council that the cost for the attorney/accountant to complete the application paperwork for solar panels for the Village would be $20,000.00 to $25,000.00. She will contact Commissioner Mike Weible to see if this expense could be shared with the Comissioner’s application.
3. Councilman Wannemacher submitted the Quarterly Credit Card Compliance for the approval of Council. Councilman Wobler made a motion to accept the Quarterly Credit Card Compliance as presented by Councilman Wannemacher. Councilwoman Zartman seconded. Councilman Hower and Wobler and Councilwoman Zartman and Speice voted yes. Councilman Wannemacher abstained.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Council President Lyons introduced Resolution 2023-K, a resolution to proceed with submission of the question of levying a replacement tax in excess of the ten-mil limitation for the purpose of the operation of the Village’s Fire Department and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to suspend the rules. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Councilwoman Zartman read Resolution 2023-K. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-K. Councilwoman Speice seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Council President Lyons introduced Resolution 2023-L, a resolution to amend appropriations for the General Fund (1000), the EMS Fund (2901), the Fire Equipment and Maintenance Fund (2902) and the Police Fund (2903) and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to suspend the rules. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Councilwoman Zartman read Resolution 2023-L. Councilman Wobler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-L. Councilwoman Speice seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
3. Council was provided with an ordinance from the Village of Antwerp regarding UTV operation in the Village of Antwerp. Officer Wobler explained that Ohio Revised Code says the local authority has to adopt the vehicle inspection and can make the requirements for UTVs more strict but cannot make the requirements more lenient. Council elected to table the topic.
4. Council President Lyons provided Council with the Paulding County EMS HIRA survey and mitigation goals and strategies. Council President Lyons and Council completed the survey and Council President Lyons will submit the survey
5. Councilman Wobler asked Council to consider adding Juneteenth as a paid holiday for the Village full-time employees. After a discussion, no change was made.

**BPA: BPA President John Hall** reported the following to Council:

1. The new water meter lids were presented to Council. Meter replacement is expected in four to six weeks.

**Good and Welfare:**

Mayor Scheinter and the Village of Payne Council would like to thank everyone who participated in and attended the Payne Ball Association League Tournament. The Council was pleased to see so many people in the Village and visiting the local merchants.

Mayor Scheiner and the Village of Payne Council would like to thank Dylainee Carr and Mason Clevenger and their driver Sandy Scott for delivering thank you notes to the Village Hall and Police Deparment as well as many businesses in the Village. Your kindness is appreciated.

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

Councilman Wannemacher moved to approve the payment of bills presented, Councilwoman Zartman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Zartman moved to go into executive session for personnel and legal reasons at 8:27 p.m., and Councilman Hower seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Hower moved to go back into regular session at 9:00 p.m., and Councilwoman Speice seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Upon returning to regular session, Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to accept the resignation letter from Mayor Scheiner presented in executive session effective today, June 26, 2023. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Also, upon returning to regular session, Councilman Hower made a motion to hire Randy Miller for the new Class 3 Laborer position to be shared 50% by the Street Fund, 25% by the Water Fund and 25% by the Sewer Fund. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

With no further matters to discuss, Councilman Wobler moved to adjourn, Councilman Wannemacher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Council President Lora Lyons Fiscal Officer Rhonda Stabler