**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of The Regular Meeting

Held August 28, 2023, @ 7:00 P.M.

Council met in Regular session with Lora Lyons, Annette Danner, Jason Hower, Nancy Speice, Kevin Wannemacher, Allen Wobler and Jennifer Zartman present.

Guests Present: There were no guests.

The Minutes from the July 24, 2023 meeting were read. Councilwoman Danner a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Minutes from the August 14, 2023 were read. Councilman Wobler made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**EMS: Coordinator Zartman** was not present and no report was available.

**Fire Department: Chief Hefner** was not present and **Interim Mayor Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. Tri-County Roofing and Home Improvement will begin their scheduled repairs on

September 6, 2023. Morrow Painting will start when Tri-County Roofing and Home Improvements repairs are complete.

**Police Department:** **Police Chief Miller** was not present. **Interim Mayor Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. During a conversation with Conrad Beck from V.S. Beck Insurance, Interim Mayor Lyons stated that in order to have red and white lights on the old cruiser for emergency use, anyone who drives it must have EVOC training. If the old cruiser was used for utility or administrative use, it should have yellow and white light and any Village employee could drive the vehicle. Interim Mayor Lyons offered to discuss the old cruiser with the Benton and Harrison Township Trustees since she was not at the meeting and was not Interim Mayor when the initial discussion occurred. In the meantime, Council tabled any action on the old cruiser.
2. Brandon Shuherk has accepted the Full-time Police Officer position and will begin working on September 9, 2023.

**Street:** **Interim Mayor Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. The Morlock Asphalt Ltd., paving bid was incorrect. They gave the quote in square feet instead of square yards. Morlock Asphalt Ltd. has withdrawn their bid. Since the bid from Ohio Asphalt Paving of $121,905.80 over the $75,000.00 budget, Council agreed to not do a paving project in 2023. Interim Mayor Lyons will compile a list of the worst areas and report back to Council to see if those areas could be fixed before winter.
2. Interim Mayor Lyons discussed the Natureworks Grant with Council. She will request a new quote from Johnny Schwartz for 10’ pavilions.
3. Interim Mayor Lyons informed Council that Summit Sweeping Services, Inc., has agreed to clean the Village streets before the Rock the Block event on September 9, 2023 for $3,000.00. Councilwoman Danner made a motion to have Summit Sweeping Services, Inc., clean the streets for $3,000.00. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Interim Mayor Lyons stated that the street cleaner that the Village purchased a couple of years ago is not capable of cleaning the streets like Summit Sweeping Services, Inc. Council suggested selling the sweeper the Village owns.
4. Interim Mayor Lyons informed Council that she contacted the Ohio EPA for permission to allow the Fire Department to conduct a control burn of the brush pile. She has not heard back from them.
5. Interim Mayor Lyons asked Council to get a dumpster for the Street and Water Departments to allow them to clean up their departments. Council suggested moving the dumpster from the Village Park to do the clean up.
6. Interim Mayor Lyons reported that Tim Copsey from the Paulding County Economic Development Office is planning to approach the owner of a property on South Laura Street to negotiate the sale of the property to the CIC and the Village. If the sale would occur, the the house could be demolished with funds from the Land Bank.

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

1. Interim Mayor Lyons introduced for the second reading Ordinance 2023-7, an ordinance regulating utility vehicles and mini-trucks within the Village of Payne, and requiring inspections of the same by the Payne Police Department. President of Council, Speice, read Ordinance 2023-7. Councilman Wobler made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-7. Councilwoman Zartman seconded. Councilwomen Zartman, Danner and Speice voted yes. Councilmen Wobler and Hower voted yes. Councilman Wannemacher voted no.
2. Interim Mayor Lyons reported that Zoning Inspector Gonzales will attend the County Wide Zoning Meeting being held by the Paulding County Economic Development Office.

**Committee Reports:** There were no Committee Reports.

**Correspondence Letters:**

1. Interim Mayor Lyons reported that she has received the letter requesting the Village to join the Mayors Association of Ohio for 2023-2024 for $50.00. Councilwoman Danner made a motion to join the Mayors Association of Ohio for 2023-2024 for $50.00. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Interim Mayor Lyons informed Council that two additional mosquito treatments by Buckeye Exterminating have been scheduled due to the positive West Nile test in the Village. The treatments will take place on September 18 and October 1, 2023. The cost of the two treatments is $750.00. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to have Buckeye Exterminating do the treatments for $750.00. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Interim Mayor Lyons reported that the former Fall Festival Committee has donated $1,436.65 to the Village for the purpose of repairing the walking path at the Village Park.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Interim Mayor Lyons informed Council that she was asked for permission to bow and gun hunt on the lagoon property. Council stated that due to liability purposes no hunting is allowed on Village property. Interim Mayor Lyons will contact the person who asked for permission.
2. Interim Mayor Lyons informed Council that she is going to get quotes for cell phones for the Water/Sewer and Street Department so that the employees do not have to use their personal phones for Village business.
3. Interim Mayor Lyons reported that volunteers are still need for the Rock the Block event on September 9, 2023. She has already asked for help from the students at WT. She also reported that there will be an Event Committee Meeting on August 31, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
4. Interim Mayor Lyons informed Council that the 2024 Budget Meeting will be Saturday November 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Village Hall.
5. Interim Mayor Lyons introduced Resolution 2023-Q, a resolution to amend appropriations for the General Fund (1000), the EMS Fund (2902), the Police Fund (2903) and the Water Distribution Improvement Fund (5704) and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to suspend the rules. Councilman Wobler seconded and the motion passed unanimously. President of Council, Speice, read Resolution 2023-Q. Councilman Zartman made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-Q. Councilwoman Danner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
6. Interim Mayor Lyons introduced Resolution 2023-R, a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. President of Council, Speice, read Resolution 2023-R. Councilman Wobler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-R. Councilwoman Zartman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
7. Interim Mayor Lyons introduced Ordinance 2023-8, an ordinance fixing the compensation, bonds and benefits of officers, clerks and employees of the Village of Payne, Paulding County, Ohio anad repealing Ordinance 2023-4, and all prior ordinances inconsistent herewith, with respect to all the same and declaring an emergency. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to suspend the rules. Councilwoman Speice seconded and the motion passed unanimously. President of Council, Speice, read Ordinance 2023-8. Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-8. Councilwoman Danner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**BPA: Interim Mayor Lyons** reported the following to Council:

1. The Lentz property on Broadview Avenue is too small for a well field.
2. The BPA and Interim Mayor Lyons will be touring the Hamler Water Plant on Tuesday September 12, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.
3. The Hyman Street repair project was discussed. Councilman Wobler made a motion to have Dangler Excavating do the repair for up to $12,000.00. Councilman Wannemacher seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Good and Welfare:** There was nothing to report for Good and Welfare.

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

Councilwoman Zartman moved to go into executive session for personnel and legal reasons at 8:30 p.m., and Councilwoman Danner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Zartman moved to go back into regular session at 8:42 p.m., and Councilman Wannemacher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

With no further matters to discuss, Councilwoman Zartman made a motion to adjourn, Councilman Wannemacher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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Interim Mayor Lora Lyons Fiscal Officer Rhonda Stabler