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The Village of Waynesfield Council met in regular session on Monday, July 23, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following answering roll call: Mayor Ridenour, Earl, Knox, Neeley, Newland, Miller, and Zimmerman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Council members received copies of Financial, Receipts and Expenditure Reports. Fiscal Officer reported \$1,560,168.66 in all funds and \$219,310.64 in the General Fund. A motion was made by Knox, seconded by Earl, to adopt Resolution 18-7-1 to pay the bills presented.

VOTE: Earl, yes; Zimmerman, yes; Knox, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Newland, yes.

**GUESTS:**

- a. Patrick Darnell** – Mr. Darnell asked Council to have a community clean up, possibly having dumpsters available. The Village Administrator reported in the past, the cost was significantly high. Mayor Ridenour advised Council to consider different clean-up options and look into the costs associated with that, while working with the Property Maintenance Committee.
- b. Cliff Roberts** – Mr. Roberts addressed Council regarding the proposed “No Parking in the Tree Lawn” ordinance that was on the agenda for the meeting. Cliff read his statement to Council, outlining the issue that was brought to his attention. He encouraged Council to not vote on this ordinance as an emergency and take time to talk to the people it would adversely affect. He also asked Council why this issue was brought up. The Village Administrator along with the Police Chief explained several properties where concerns had been brought up. Councilman Miller stated that it was his opinion to table this ordinance until a later date. The rest of Council concurred.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a. Finance –**
  - i.** The Fiscal Officer reported that the 2016/2017 Audit had been completed by Perry and Associates. Management Letters and reports were previously provided to the Mayor and Council members to look over. Overall, the Fiscal Officer was pleased with the results.
  - ii.** A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to suspend the rules of three readings and to declare an emergency.  
VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.  
A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to adopt Ordinance 18-7-1, an Ordinance to amend Appropriation Ordinance 18-1-1.  
VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.
- b. Park-** Councilwoman Zimmerman reported that at a family function the previous weekend, she noticed the shelter house and picnic tables had been defaced and contained graphic carvings. Upon further investigation, some of the playground equipment was also vandalized. She reported her findings to the Fiscal Officer and the Village Administrator the following Monday. The Village Administrator and Maintenance crew have cleaned up those areas and playground equipment. Zimmerman wanted to make the rest of Council and other residents aware of the problem to hopefully cease it from happening in the future.

**POLICE REPORT:**

- a.** Chief Motter wanted to add that the Village currently has the camera system at the park and is currently waiting to have them installed.
- b.** Chief Motter reported that he has seen an increase in call volume mostly resulting in complaints and civil issues. However, the number of traffic crashes in the Village has doubled within the last week, due to distracted driving. No break-ins have been reported this summer.
- c.** An arrest was made on July 12, 2018, for multiple charges including failing to comply with an order of a police officer, two charges of driving under suspension, have a fictitious registration sticker, theft, and having expired license plates. The individual was taken to jail and the vehicle was towed from his residence.
- d.** Chief Motter also reported on various scam calls that have been reported to him. He encourages all individuals to never give out any personal information.

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

- a.** The Administrator thanked Councilman Newland for bringing to his attention a few areas where trees had been obstructing the view of stop signs. He also thanked other Council members for bringing these types of concerns to his attention when they are noticed so they can be addressed.
- b.** The curb painting process is underway. The Village is currently working with a minor who is obtaining a work permit to complete these kind of jobs throughout the village this summer.
- c.** Construction for the walking path in the park will start in August with the project completed in November. Mr. Rowe wanted to also thank the County Engineer and his office for aiding with this project.
- d.** Mr. Rowe extended a thank you to the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to work with all of them while he was here. He will be resigning as a full time employee as of August 3, 2018.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

- a.** A check for \$2,478.00 was presented from the Mayor’s Court account into the General Fund for the month of June.
- b.** The Mayor requested Council enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel. The Solicitor added that they would also need to discuss pending litigation.  
A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel and pending litigation.  
VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

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Before entering into Executive Session, the Solicitor informed everyone that the Village Administrator would need to be present for the pending litigation and dismissed for the personnel section. The Mayor would need to be present for the personnel section and dismissed for the pending litigation section.

Time out: 8:26 p.m.

Switch (Mayor and Village Administrator): 8:37 p.m.

The meeting was called back in order at 9:02 p.m.

The Mayor recommended to Council hiring Fred Rowe as a consultant for the Village until the Village Administrators position could be filled, for a period of six months.

c. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to adopt Resolution 18-7-2, a Resolution to enter into a contract with Fred Rowe as a consultant, for a period of six months.

VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmermann, yes.

d. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to adopt Resolution 18-7-3, a Resolution allowing the Solicitor to enter into negotiations pertaining to the alley issues.

VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmermann, yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Councilwoman Knox reported that the Property Maintenance Committee is hoping and encouraging residents will take care of any property violations before the Village intercedes.

b. Councilwoman Knox asked about a stop sign being placed on the alley by her house. The Police Chief explained the process and suggested that a "NO OUTLET" sign may fix the issues.

c. Councilman Neeley would like to have a letter sent to the property owner of 103 West Wapakoneta Street. He has a vision of cleaning up the downtown area and allowing new businesses to come to Waynesfield. He would also like to see a committee formed, to design a plan of renovating the downtown area. Mayor instructed Council to think about Councilman Neeley's proposal and report back at next month's meeting.

d. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to suspend the rules of three readings and to declare an emergency.

VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmermann, yes.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to adopt Ordinance 18-7-2, the Right of Way Ordinance.

VOTE: Miller, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Knox, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmermann, yes.

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE****SOLICITOR REPORT: NONE**

A motion was made by Knox, seconded by Newland, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: Knox, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmermann, yes.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer