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The Village of Waynesfield Council met in regular session on Monday, February 22, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following answering roll call: Mayor Luma, Earl, Knox (absent), Neeley, Newland (absent), Miller, and Zimmerman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Council members received copies of Financial, Receipts and Expenditure Reports. Fiscal Officer reported \$1,626,619.94 in all funds and \$210,517.76 in the General Fund.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Neeley, to adopt Resolution 21-2-1 to pay the bills presented.

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

GUESTS: NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS: NONE

POLICE REPORT:

- a. Police Chief Motter introduced new part-time police officer Steve Humes.
- b. Police Chief Motter stated that with the recent winter weather it has created some additional responsibilities for the police department.
- c. Police Chief Motter informed council on current scams such as unemployment and tax filing scams.
- d. Police Chief Motter stated he trained W-G School's bus drivers on human trafficking. He also stated that W-G School's Superintendent Chris Pfister will be retiring December 31, 2021.
- e. Police Chief Motter stated the police department is still accepting part-time applications. He has received one application as of February 11, 2021 and will be conducting an interview. He also stated there has been others interested but they are waiting to take their state exams.
- f. Police Chief Motter gave an update in regards to the Clyde Cook plaque. He stated the plaque has been ordered. He stated that the Auglaize County Fraternal Order of Police has donated \$500.00 towards the plaque and other area businesses said they would like to contribute as well. The finished bronze plaque will cost around \$1,100.00 and will be placed to the left of the police department entrance door.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

- a. The Administrator stated our maintenance crew has been very busy with snow removal. Councilman Miller stated he was very pleased with the crews' efforts to keep the streets clear.
- b. The Administrator informed council that the village's Well 2 is down and needs maintenance, but the maintenance has been rescheduled due to the winter storm.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- a. A check for \$243.00 was presented from the Mayor's Court account into the General Fund for the month of January 2021.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Councilman Miller welcomed Officer Steve Humes to the village.
- b. Village Administrator Mike Ridenour asked council for an executive session to discuss legislation regarding solar and wind power within the village.
- c. A Motion was made by Neeley, seconded by Miller, to enter into executive session to discuss legislation regarding solar and wind power.

VOTE: Knox, (absent); Newland, (absent); Earl, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.
In: 7:43 p.m. Out: 8:09 p.m.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

- a. The solicitor stated that the deed is still in the process of being completed for the alley lawsuit.
- b. The solicitor asked council to continue to review the proposed zoning and get any changes to him. Councilman Neeley stated maybe wind and solar should be addressed in the new zoning.

A motion was made by Neeley, seconded by Earl, to adjourn the meeting.

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


Mayor


Fiscal Officer