

Held July 26,

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The Village of Waynesfield Council met in regular session on July 26, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following answering roll call: Mayor Luma, 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 \$1,626,046.41 in all funds and \$187,234.15 in the General Fund. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to adopt Resolution 21-7-(1) to pay the bills presented. VOTE: Knox, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

GUESTS:

Bina Korkate- The Village Administrator introduced Bina Korkate as the new full-time Utilities Clerk.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**POLICE REPORT:**

- a. Police Chief Motter stated that the village had multiple vehicle break-ins during the overnight hours on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. Police Chief Motter stated that all vehicles and one structure broken into were unlocked.
 - c. Police Chief Motter stated that call volume is up which is normal for the summer months. Increased traffic in the village, increased crime, and an increase in complaints have all been seen this summer. He also stated that there has also been an increase in outside agency assists. Police Chief Motter stated that most of the request have been fulfilled, but there have been a couple where the police department was unable to assist. Crime happens 24/7 and officers do have scheduled time off.
 - e. Police Chief Motter stated he will be advertising for additional part-time help in the near future. With Officer Hefner out until December and Officer Humes' limited availability, he is going to try to fill one more part-time officer position. This may be challenging however, because there are many full-time positions available with other agencies.
 - f. Police Chief Motter stated that the speed sign on South Westminster street does seem to be having an affect on the traffic going through that area.
 - g. Police Chief Motter stated that the Clyde Cook Plaque dedication ceremony will be in September at the Waynesfield Municipal Building. Additional details and the official invitation will be sent out very soon.
 - h. Police Chief Motter asked if there were any changes to be made to the revised employee handbook. Councilwoman Earl made changes to the revised handbook.
- A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Newland, to adopt Resolution 21-7-(2) a resolution to accept the updated changes to the employee handbook.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

- a. The Administrator stated that the shelter house, police garage and gazebo roof are complete.
 - b. The Administrator stated he has been utilizing a combination of Amp's circuit rider and the Village of Jackson Center for the village's electric needs.
 - c. The Administrator stated there is a storm line at the end of West Mulberry Street that he is looking into getting replaced. He has had Craig Mescher in to look at the replacement to see if it could be tied into the West Wapakoneta Street Project.
 - d. Councilwoman Knox asked if we had gotten any information regarding the clock. The Village Administrator stated the village doesn't have any updates at this time.
 - e. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Neeley, to adopt Resolution 21-7-(3), a resolution to approve the portion of Parcel N4201800501 at the end of West Perry Street to become part of West Perry Street.
- VOTE: Knox, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- a. A check for \$1,318.00 was presented from the Mayor's Court account into the General Fund for the month of June 2021.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Neeley, to suspend the rule of three readings and to declare an emergency to authorize the mayor and fiscal officer to submit and execute all required documentation to register for and receive funding from the "American Rescue Plan" fund, to establish the "American Rescue Plan" fund and amend the permanent appropriations as required. VOTE: Knox, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Neeley, to adopt Ordinance 21-7-(1) an ordinance authorizing the mayor and fiscal officer to submit and execute all required documentation to register for and receive funding from the "American Rescue Plan" fund, to establish the "American Rescue Plan" fund and amend the permanent appropriations as required.

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

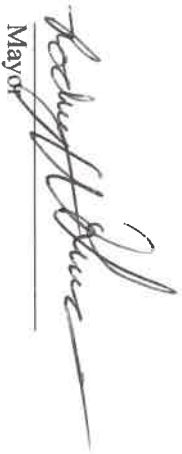
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SOLICITOR REPORT:

- a. The solicitor stated he sent down the proposed zoning regarding nuisance to the Planning Committee/ Zoning Board for review.
 - b. The solicitor stated that the legal description is finalized for the alley.
 - c. The solicitor asked council to consider passing a resolution allowing Council President to execute the deed. Mayor Luma asked who the property belongs to. The solicitor stated it belongs to both the village and Michael Ridenour, but it was agreed upon that the property belongs to Michael Ridenour. Mayor Luma asked if it was a conflict of interest since Michael Ridenour is the Village Administrator. The Solicitor stated he did not think so because Michael Ridenour was sued separately not as the Village Administrator.
- A motion was made by Earl, seconded by Neeley, to adopt Resolution 21-7-(4) a resolution to authorize president of council to execute deed.
- VOTE: Knox, yes; Newland, yes; Earl, yes; Miller, yes; Neeley, yes; Zimmerman, yes.

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

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



Mayor

Fiscal Officer _____