

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF MCCONNELSVILLE COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

Held: February 15, 2011

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The Village of McConnelsville convened in regular session from 6:30 P.M. to 7:31P.M. in the McConnelsville Village Office. Mayor John Wells called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Councilman Tom Bragg	Present
Councilman Rhett Matheney	Present
Councilman Steve Inman	Present
Councilman Kevin Morrow	Present
Councilwoman Michele Blackburn	Present
Councilwoman Mary Gessel	Present

EMPLOYEES: Chief of Police Rocky Woodburn, Fiscal Officer Ellen M Henry, Village Administrator Scott Brown, Solicitor David Tarbert

VISITORS: Sara Hurst, Glen Schults, John Hoover, Charlotte Johnson

Invocation

Invocation given by Mayor John Wells.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lead by Mayor John Wells.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of February 1, 2011

Councilwoman Gessel made a Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Councilman Bragg.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

NEW BUSINESS

Bills of the Village

Councilman Inman made a Motion to approve the bills, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Mayor John Wells

Mayor Wells stated he passed a packet out to council regarding utility aggregation for electric and natural gas. They made a presentation to Mayor and the County Commissioners. The process would be to put it on the ballot and if citizen's vote to allow this; we would bid out the electric and/or natural gas. They are projecting a savings of 5%

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for residents and a savings of 15% for small businesses. They have already done this in 30 to 40 other places. Mayor Wells requested council to take a look at it and we'll discuss it at a future date.

Chief of Police Rocky Woodburn

Chief Woodburn reported in the month of January, the Police Department had driven 3,467 miles and used 362.2 gallons of gasoline. The police department issued 15 warnings, 4 traffic tickets, 11 misdemeanor citations, making a total of 15 tickets issued. Chief Woodburn reported total hours worked for all officers was 733 hours and 39 minutes; they issued 7 crash reports and 29 incident reports.

Fiscal Officer Ellen Hemry

Fiscal Officer Hemry reported January's month and year to date expenditures, for the following departments: Police Department month and year to date \$18,255.92; Mayor's Court month and year to date \$877.69; Parking Facilities month and year to date \$912.42; Street M & R month and year to date \$4,558.64; Water Fund month and year to date \$8,544.37; Sewer Treatment month and year to date \$11,781.66; Sewer Fund month and year to date \$5,245.44.

Fiscal Officer Hemry stated there is no monthly budget set; nor year to date budget percentages since we are still working off temporary appropriations.

Fiscal Officer Hemry reported January's month and year to date revenue and percentage of the year to date budget as follows: General Fund month and year to date \$21,874.33, 4%; Street M & R Fund month and year to date \$6,942.23, 8%; Water Fund month and year to date \$33,537.32, with \$5,407.52 of that being from Morgan Meigs, 8%; Sewer Fund month and year to date \$28,882.01, 7% YTD budget. Fiscal Officer Hemry stated no money was received from Malta in the month of January.

Ordinance 11-01

Mayor Wells introduced Ordinance 11-01, for the third and final reading; AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2011 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF MCCONNELSVILLE, OHIO.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to pass Ordinance 11-01 on the third and final reading, seconded by Councilwoman Gessel.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Ordinance 11-01 was duly adopted.

Ordinance 11-02

Mayor Wells introduced Ordinance 11-02, for the second reading; AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH ATTORNEY DAVID TARBERT.

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Councilwoman Blackburn made a Motion to pass Ordinance 11-02 on second reading, seconded by Councilman Inman.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Ordinance 11-02 passed on the second reading.

Resolution 11-04

Mayor Wells introduced Resolution 11-04; 2011 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate and distinct readings and place on emergency measure, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to adopt Resolution 11-04 on emergency measure, seconded by Councilman Matheney.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Resolution 11-04 was duly adopted.

Ordinance 11-05

Mayor Wells introduced Ordinance 11-05, for the first reading; AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYOFF OF SEWER PUMP LOAN.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to pass Ordinance 11-05 on the first reading, seconded by Councilwoman Gessel.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Ordinance 11-05 passed on the first reading.

Resolution 11-06

Mayor Wells introduced Resolution 11-06; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MORGAN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO APPLY ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE FOR CDBG FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilwoman Blackburn made a Motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate and distinct readings and place on emergency measure, seconded by Councilwoman Gessel.

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Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Councilman Inman made a Motion to adopt Resolution 11-06 on emergency measure, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Resolution 11-06 was duly adopted.

Ordinance 10-36

Mayor Wells introduced Ordinance 10-36, for the first reading; AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS; EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION, AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS.

Councilman Matheney made a Motion to pass Ordinance 10-36 on first reading, seconded by Councilman Inman.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Ordinance 10-36 was passed on the first reading.

Village Administrator Scott Brown

Village Administrator Brown updated council on the Streamlining Project. He stated the bacteria sample passed twice; therefore, they are getting ready to tie on the nine customers south of Fern. We had to repair a sewer lateral that was hit today; therefore, we will hopefully have them tied on to the new line by Thursday.

Village Administrator Brown reported it was determined that Highland Oaks has always been connected to the eight inch line; therefore, they were changed over today. Looking at changing Poplar over on Wednesday and Sunset on Thursday; tentatively everyone will be off the four and six inch line by Friday.

Village Administrator Brown stated we would hopefully be tapped into the line on State Route 78 by Tuesday of next week.

Village Administrator Brown reported he had given a copy of a letter to council that was sent to Mr. Apperson.

VA Brown stated Jefferson Avenue is looking pretty bad. There are minor pot holes we can fix; however, some of the more extensive spots will have to wait until summer.

Public Participation

Village Administrator Brown introduced Charlotte Johnson from Zane Trace Clean Care Uniforms. VA Brown stated she had given him a proposal on uniforms; and, he requested her to bring it before council tonight.

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Ms. Johnson passed out and explained her proposal to council. The total cost for all uniforms, rugs, and change outs would be \$58.50 per week. Council will look over the proposal and take into consideration.

Mayor Wells questioned Council if they had made a decision on the waterline within the WODA Project.

Councilman Inman stated they had three options; leave it as is; make a T on the current line; or, put a new line down the back side of the property, which would cost the village between \$55,000–\$85,000.

Councilman Bragg stated if he was looking at the stakes correctly; it shows the building will be placed on top of our current line.

Mr. Schults stated their surveyor sent a letter to the village; and the building is not on top of the line.

Councilman Matheney stated the building may not be; however, the concrete slab where the porch will be is and he considers that part of the building.

Councilman Bragg stated according to their surveyor the current line is running so true and is perfectly sloped. It has not moved since it was put in, in the late 1970's. Councilman Bragg stated his feelings were not to move our current line.

Councilman Matheney stated he had talked to their contractor and he is fearful of digging up the line any further up; as we have no idea where the ductile iron pipe stops and the concrete line begins. If the concrete line is dug up, it would cause serious problems according to our Engineer.

Councilman Bragg stated we were pretty close on the depth of the line until they started removing dirt.

Councilwoman Gessel questioned if the old line was asbestos. Councilman Bragg stated part of the line is asbestos concrete and part of it is ductile iron; however, we are not sure 100 percent where one begins and the other stops.

Councilman Inman stated his opinion is in line with Councilman Bragg; leave it there unobstructed.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to not allow the existing waterline to be moved at the Pheasant Ridge construction site, seconded by Councilman Inman.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Mayor Wells stated Council unanimously voted to leave the current water line as is.

Mayor Wells requested VA Brown to send WODA a letter; and, the Fiscal Officer to send them a copy of the minutes once approved.

Solicitor Tarbert questioned what exactly did WODA need in the letter. Mr. Schults stated, "that we are demanding a change order from the original approved plans."

Village Administrator Brown stated he would send the letter to the Solicitor for approval prior to mailing.

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Street and Alley Committee

Councilman Morrow reported he received a letter requesting a curb to be cut at 331 East Union Avenue. VA Brown stated he had received the request and passed it on to the committee. Mayor Wells stated the committee needed to find out where they exactly want it cut to make sure it doesn't affect anyone else negatively.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Inman thanked the Police Department and Village Administrator for enforcing some serious violations within the village within regards to Ordinance 07-06. Councilman Inman stressed if any citizen has an issue to please bring it to our attention.

Public Utilities Committee

Councilman Bragg reported the Joint Utility Committee will be meeting on February 21st at 6:30 PM, here in Council Chambers.

Finance Committee

Councilwoman Gessel stated she would be happy to entertain suggestions on a web page for the Village.

Councilman Matheney stated he has one he will refer.

Building and Recreation Committee

It was noted the hiring out of mowing was still in the committee. Will aim for a decision to be made by the next council meeting.

Executive Session

Councilman Inman made a Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel; seconded by Councilman Bragg.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Council went into Executive Session at 7:18 PM.

Councilman Inman made a Motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Matheney.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

Council came out of Executive Session at 7:29 PM.

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Adjournment of Meeting

Councilman Matheney made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Inman.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Steve Inman, Aye; Councilman Kevin Morrow, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel.

The meeting was adjourned till March 1, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. at the McConnelsville Village Office.

John A. Wells
Mayor

Ellen M. Hemry
Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Village of McConnelsville concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.