

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF MCCONNELSVILLE COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

Held: August 21, 2012

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The Village of McConnelsville convened in regular session from 6:30 P.M. to 8:49 P.M. in the McConnelsville Village Office. Mayor John W. Finley called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Councilman Tom Bragg	Present
Councilman Rhett Matheney	Present
Councilman Terry Robison	Present
Councilman Mark Dille	Present
Councilwoman Michele Blackburn	Absent
Councilwoman Mary Gessel	Present

EMPLOYEES: Chief of Police Rocky Woodburn, Fiscal Officer Ellen M Hemry, and Village Administrator John Thompson

VISITORS:

Invocation

Invocation given by Mayor John W. Finley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lead by Mayor John W. Finley.

Excuse Absent Council Member

Councilman Matheney made a Motion to excuse Councilwoman Blackburn from the meeting, seconded by Councilman Robison.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of August 7, 2012

Councilman Matheney 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 Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Bills of the Village

Councilman Matheney made a Motion to approve the bills, seconded by Councilman Dille.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

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Mayor John W. Finley

Mayor Finley stated he gave each Council member a copy of a letter he received from the Health Department.

Councilman Matheney stated this letter does not condemn the properties; it just states they need to be barricaded.

Mayor Finley stated he will contact the property owners to see about getting these properties demolished.

It was noted the Village needs to get an Ordinance set in place.

Mayor Finley reported we received one bid for the High Tower Property from Steve and Judy Radcliff in the amount of \$310.00.

Councilman Robison made a Motion to accept the bid from Steve and Judy Radcliff in the amount of \$310.00; seconded by Councilman Bragg.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

The Motion carried. Village Administrator Thompson will get in contact with them.

Mayor Finley reported Carlisle, Ohio puts out a News Letter to their residents every month. Mayor Finley felt this was very nice and shared it with Council.

Mayor Finley reported Councilman Robison has been working on an Ordinance for load limits on alleys. Councilman Robison sent copies to all of Council for review. Mayor Finley turned the matter over to the Streets and Alley Committee for discussion and to bring a recommendation back to the next council meeting.

Mayor Finley stated Fiscal Officer Hemry has prepared the Estimated Revenue and Debt Service for 2013 and will be submitting to Auditor Woodward for approval.

Mayor Finley reported we received the Final Audit; and, it was a clean audit. Mayor Finley stated Fiscal Officer Hemry is doing everything according to the law. Mayor Finley stated extremely clean audits are very rare in the Governments.

Councilwoman Gessel commended Fiscal Officer Hemry for doing a good job.

Resolution 12-25

Mayor Finley introduced Resolution 12-25, A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND.

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

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Councilwoman Gessel made a Motion to adopt Resolution 12-25 on emergency measure, seconded by Councilman Robison.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Resolution 12-25 was duly adopted.

Ordinance 12-26

Mayor Finley introduced Ordinance 12-26, AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Councilman Robison made a Motion to adopt Ordinance 12-26 on emergency measure, seconded by Councilman Dille.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Ordinance 12-26 was duly adopted.

Ordinance 12-27

Mayor Finley introduced Ordinance 12-27, AN ORDINANCE FOR A SPECIAL PURPOSE FOR FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION FOR THE VILLAGE OF MCCONNELSVILLE.

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to adopt Ordinance 12-27 on emergency measure, seconded by Councilman Robison.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Ordinance 12-27 was duly adopted.

Village Administrator John Thompson

Village Administrator Thompson reported the Contractor's for the Sewer Separation Project have crossed Main Street. The project was halted due to running into a gas line that we had specifically asked them to dig up and locate so we wouldn't run into this scenario;

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Columbia Gas did not mark it correctly. They came in last Friday and moved it so the Contractor's were able to come back in today; we are up to the alley by the old Donovan Lowe office. Village Administrator Thompson stated we plan on having the main sewer pipe laid by the end of the week if nothing unforeseen happens; they will still have catch basins and two lateral sewers to put in. Village Administrator Thompson stated the project will go on for another month but the main part will be done over the next week.

Councilman Matheney stated the property owners have been very cooperative so he wants to make sure everything is put back right. Village Administrator Thompson concurred.

Village Administrator Thompson reported most of the painting is done; the blue handicap spaces are now marked.

Village Administrator Thompson reported we are continuing to work on patching the streets.

Mayor Finley told Council to address any areas they feel need patched with the Village Administrator. Councilman Robison stated Fifth Street; Councilman Dille stated Beechwood; Councilman Matheney stated the alley between Seventh and Eighth Streets. Village Administrator Thompson stated that alley was patched today.

Mayor Finley questioned what we were going to do about the spring coming out on Kennebec Avenue. Village Administrator Thompson stated he was going to talk to the State regarding that.

Village Administrator Thompson reported there was a four inch water main break on Terrace Drive on August 15, 2012.

Village Administrator Thompson reported he is beginning to work on the Culture Grant for the roof for the Opera House. He will try and have three quotes in by the next Council Meeting.

Councilman Robison questioned if we had to go with shingles; or, if we could use sheeting. Village Administrator Thompson stated everything has to be approved by the Ohio Historical Society and he will check into it and see if it could be approved. Village Administrator Thompson reported we could only use the grant money on the roof; and, if there is any left over, we can submit a change of scope of work to them..

Village Administrator Thompson reported he has begun working on the Issue I application for 2013 Street Paving; the application is due by October 1, 2012. He has given information to Engineer Steve Hook and should be getting a price back soon.

Village Administrator Thompson reported he has received calls from companies wanting to discount the Village's gas and electric bills. Village Administrator Thompson questioned if Council wanted us to go with the same company our residents are going with; or, go with someone else. It was discussed that the aggregation originally wasn't allowing businesses on the discounted plan.

Village Administrator Thompson reported residents have also been calling regarding the aggregation not allowing budgeting on their plan. Mayor Finley stated if they do not wish to go with the aggregation because budgeting isn't allowed; they must opt out of the program.

Village Administrator reported he has talked to our insurance company about insuring the tractor used at the Park. Village Administrator stated we need to find out who it is owned by. It was noted that the Park Board is not the owners; therefore, we cannot insure it.

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Village Administrator Thompson stated he will notify them they have to purchase their own insurance on the tractor in order for it to be allowed to be used at the Park.

Chief of Police Rocky Woodburn

Chief Woodburn reported in the month of July, the Police Department had driven 4,605 miles and used 436.2 gallons of gasoline. The police department issued 30 warnings, 36 traffic tickets, 8 misdemeanor citations, making a total of 44 tickets issued. Chief Woodburn reported total hours worked for all officers was 677 hours 52 minutes; they issued 4 crash reports and 15 incident reports.

Chief Woodburn reported the mileage on the cruisers as follows: 2000 Dodge, 220,283; 2012 Dodge 8,000; 2008 black Dodge 105,324; 2008 white Dodge 59,898; 2008 Ford 78,653.

Councilwoman Blackburn entered the meeting at 7:21 PM.

Chief Woodburn stated the 2008 White Dodge is scheduled for repair with Morgan Tire on September 27, 2012.

Chief Woodburn reported the miles driven on the cruisers in the month of July are as follows 2000 Dodge, 1,213 miles; 2012 Dodge, 1,650; 2008 black Dodge 710; 2008 white Dodge 847.

Councilman Bragg questioned if we were receiving any more applications for the open Officer position. Chief Woodburn stated no.

Fiscal Officer Ellen Hemry

Fiscal Officer Hemry reported July's month and year to date expenditures and percentage of the year to date budget as follows: General Fund month to date \$56,235.61, year to date \$452,250.67, or 51%; Street M & R month to date \$6,535.89, year to date \$41,225.21, or 43%; Water Fund month to date \$35,838.19, year to date \$199,150.64, or 35%; Sewer Fund month to date \$63,110.75, year to date \$286,995.50, or 45% of the YTD budget.

Fiscal Officer Hemry reported July's month and year to date revenue and percentage of the year to date budget as follows: General Fund month to date \$38,130.49, year to date \$463,738.01, 77%; Street M & R Fund month to date \$6,536.81, year to date \$44,194.56, 56%; Water Fund month to date \$39,842.83, with \$6,649.43 of that being from Morgan Meigs, year to date \$268,351.96, 60%; Sewer Fund month to date \$46,215.13, with \$7,806.10 of that being from Malta for Joint Sewer Operations, year to date \$318,788.99, 65% YTD budget.

Fiscal Officer Hemry stated we are currently at 58% of the year; and, expenditures and revenues overall are within the budget.

Fiscal Officer Hemry reported the Pool income and expenditures are doing very well this year.

Mayor Finley requested for Council to receive copies of the monthly Sewer Operations and Maintenance Billing. Fiscal Officer Hemry stated she would get with the Water/Sewer Clerk and inform her.

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Mayor Finley questioned Village Administrator Thompson if we were going to be able to replace any water lines this year. Village Administrator Thompson stated one on Seventh Street and one on Sycamore. Discussion was made regarding the replacement of the line on Poplar Drive. Councilman Bragg stated he believes we should address the connection of the Rivercrossing before working on any further lines on Poplar Drive.

Recreation & Buildings Committee

Councilman Matheney reported he will be getting with Pool Manager Teresa Brannon about closing the pool. Councilman Matheney stated everything will be hosed off and cleaned out at closing.

Councilman Matheney stated he has been talking with Rick Fox and he is going to be able to get the furnace controllers to repair the Pool furnace so there will be heat out there this winter.

Councilman Dille questioned if we were going to continue to try and lease out the Community Room this winter. Councilman Matheney stated we could. Councilwoman Blackburn stated if we decide to heat it; it would be nice to advertise it for rental on our website.

Economic Development Committee

Councilwoman Blackburn reported she is continuing to work on the "Rappin on the River" Project. She currently has three bands lined up and some vendors. They are looking to have it on October 27th from 3:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Councilwoman Blackburn reported she has been talking to the American Legion and VFW regarding the Hero Banners and she may have found better pricing.

Public Utilities Committee

Councilman Bragg stated he needs to schedule a meeting to complete the Water and Sewer Ordinance. Mayor Finley requested it to be finalized and brought to the next Council Meeting.

Finance Committee

Councilwoman Gessel stated in 2007 the Village Minutes reflect a \$250.00 reimbursement to employees once their deductible was met. Councilwoman Gessel stated some employees took advantage of it and others forgot about it. We have one employee who is requesting a four year reimbursement of \$250.00 per year. After a brief discussion, Council decided only the current year could be paid due to the books being closed out each year.

Councilwoman Gessel reported the Finance Committee met this evening to discuss the deductible for employees on their insurance renewal. The Committee recommends keeping the \$500.00 deductible and removing the \$250.00 reimbursement to help even out the increase in premium.

Councilwoman Gessel made a Motion to keep the \$500.00 deductible and remove the \$250.00 reimbursement; seconded by Councilman Bragg.

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Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Dille reported the Employee Swimming Party went well and all had a good time. Mayor Finley stated he concurred and felt we should make it an annual event. Councilman Robison questioned if the Mayor was still interested in the employees having ID badges. Mayor Finley stated yes; he would like to see all employees and elected officials have them. Councilman Robison stated he will need to get pictures and information to complete them.

Technology and Website Committee

Councilman Robison stated if anyone has anything to add to the calendar of events to please contact him and he will get it posted.

Councilman Matheney stated he feels Councilman Robison is doing a really nice job on the website.

Other Business

Councilwoman Blackburn questioned when the next Leadership Meeting was going to be held. It was noted it will be Thursday, August 23, 2012 at 5:00 P.M.

Councilman Dille stated he has been reviewing the Parking Ordinance regarding the jamming of parking meters and he is working on incorporating verbage from that Ordinance into the Village's Ordinance.

Mayor Finley stated it needs to address vehicles blocking sidewalks also.

Executive Session

Councilwoman Blackburn 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 Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Council went into Executive Session at 8:15 P.M.

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

Council came out of Executive Session at 8:49 P.M.

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Adjournment of Meeting

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Gessel.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Rhett Matheney, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Mary Gessel, Aye.

The meeting was adjourned till September 4, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. at the McConnelsville Village Office.

John W. Finley
Mayor

Ellen M. Henry
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.