

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF MCCONNELSVILLE COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

Held: July 16, 2013

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The Village of McConnelsville convened in regular session from 6:00 P.M. to 6:51 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	Present
Councilwoman Mary Gessel	Absent

EMPLOYEES: Chief of Police Troy Copeland, Fiscal Officer Ellen M Henry, Village Administrator John Thompson, and Solicitor David Tarbert

VISITORS: Carol Morris

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 Gessel from the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn.

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

Resolution 13-15

Mayor Finley introduced Resolution 13-15, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT; AND, OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate and distinct readings and place 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 Michele Blackburn, Aye.

Councilman Robison made a Motion to adopt Resolution 13-15 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 Michele Blackburn, Aye.

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Resolution 13-15 was duly adopted.

Resolution 13-14

Mayor Finley introduced Resolution 13-14, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR OF MCCONNELSVILLE, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF MORGAN, COUNTY ENGINEER TO PROVIDE FOR THE MUTUAL APPLICATION FOR BLACKTOP FUNDING THROUGH ROUND TWENTY EIGHT OF THE STATE ISSUE ONE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY MUTUALLY WITH THE COUNTY OF MORGAN, COUNTY ENGINEER FOR STATE ISSUE ONE, ROUND TWENTY EIGHT FUNDING FOR THE PAVING OF CERTAIN STREETS AND ALLEYS; 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 Councilman Matheney.

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

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to adopt Resolution 13-14 on emergency measure, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn.

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

Resolution 13-14 was duly adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of July 2, 2013

Councilman Robison made a Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Councilman Matheney.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Bills of the Village

Councilman Matheney made a Motion to approve the bills with the change to the Village of Malta's April Water Operations and Maintenance bill to reflect the removal of the billing from HD Supply in the amount of 44.35, 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.

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Mayor John W. Finley

Mayor Finley reported there were a total of twenty-three different items on the Alley Paving Project. This project is through the Distress Grant. (*See attached listing of alleys to be paved*)

Mayor Finley wanted to thank Kelly Hardman and her maintenance staff at Morgan Metropolitan House Authority for cleaning up the shrubs at the new bridge.

Mayor Finley reported he attended the Mid Ohio Valley Mayor's Association Meeting on July 10, 2013. This meeting was sponsored by Belpre; with Guest Speaker Senator Lou Gentile out of the 30th District. Mayor Finley reminded Council this meeting was held the second Wednesday of every month if any of them would like to attend.

Village Administrator John Thompson

Village Administrator Thompson reported there was a ten inch water main break at the Water Works Park.

Village Administrator Thompson reported he met with Lise Sibicky, an Engineer from Burgess & Niple last week to discuss our Long Term Control Plan. Village Administrator Thompson noted they were the ones that initially done the original plan. They sent up maps and information for him to review. Village Administrator Thompson stated he will be looking into this in the very near future.

Village Administrator Thompson reported the flat part of the Opera House roof is completed. We still have some monies left on the Grant from the Cultural Facility so he will be checking to see if it can be used elsewhere.

Village Administrator Thompson reported the Contractor has begun the work at the Sewer Plant. They are currently working on the UV portion.

Village Administrator Thompson reported the impeller went out of the pump at pool causing it to be closed down for four days. Village Administrator Thompson reported he was just informed today that this part was not covered by warranty.

Village Administrator Thompson reported there has been vandalism at the Wharf Park bathrooms. Due to this, they are currently closed.

Councilwoman Blackburn questioned if there were any types of grants we could apply for to purchase security cameras. Village Administrator Thompson stated he was not aware of any; and, if there were they would be hard to find.

Councilman Robison left the meeting at 6:25 P.M. due to work related duties.

Village Administrator Thompson reported the crew had some cleaning up after the storms; however, there was not much damage.

Village Administrator Thompson reported he met with the Soil Conservation office this morning to see if the Village can get help at the creek by the Swimming Pool. He is waiting for them to get back with him. If they can't give monetary help; maybe they can give us advice on what to do.

Village Administrator Thompson reported he is in receipt of the corrected lettering for the weight limit signs and will try to have them installed this week.

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Councilwoman Blackburn reported she received a complaint from a neighbor regarding a beeping noise coming out of the Lowe property. It was noted that the Village cannot enter the property.

Fiscal Officer Ellen Hemry

Fiscal Officer Hemry reported June month to date expenditures and revenues; and, year to date expenditures and revenues, as follows: General Fund month to date expenditures \$49,446.21, revenue \$57,716.36; a difference of \$8,270.15; year to date expenditures \$262,833.97, revenue \$419,044.53; a difference of \$156,210.56. Current monies reserved for encumbrance \$96,934.12 leaving a balance of \$59,276.44.

Street Fund month to date expenditures \$3,817.86, revenue \$6,845.45; a difference of \$3,027.59; year to date expenditures \$31,736.81, revenue \$35,553.24; a difference of \$3,816.43. Current monies reserved for encumbrance \$5,297.51 leaving a year to date deficit of \$1,481.08.

Water Fund month to date expenditures \$19,016.33, revenue \$40,954.82; \$5,474.52 of that amount came from Morgan Meigs; a difference of \$21,938.49; year to date expenditures \$130,557.82, revenue \$229,972.43 a difference of \$99,414.61. Current monies reserved for encumbrance \$81,168.70 a difference of \$18,245.91.

Fiscal Officer Hemry noted we have only paid through the month of March on the Water Sharing Agreement; and, that Council had just approved to pay April's billing this evening.

Sewer Fund month to date expenditures \$27,413.96, revenue \$47,079.67; \$7,943.48 of that amount came from Malta for Joint Sewer Operations and Maintenance; a difference of \$19,665.71; year to date expenditures \$197,739.99, revenue \$286,533.79; a difference of \$88,793.80. Current monies reserved for encumbrance \$160,200.61 leaving a year to date deficit of \$71,406.81.

Fiscal Officer Hemry noted we have billed and received payment for the Sewer Operations and Maintenance through the month of May; June's billing was sent out last week and we should receive payment on it by the end of the month.

Water Capital Projects Fund month to date revenue \$1,758.24; year to date revenue \$11,933.37.

Councilman Robison re-entered the Council Meeting at 6:39 P.M.

Recreation & Buildings Committee

Councilman Dille reported Mr. Steve Inman is resigning as President of the Park Board at the end of July. Mr. Kevin Morrow has been appointed to replace Mr. Inman.

Mayor Finley stated he appreciated all the hard work Mr. Inman has put into the Park Board.

Streets & Alley Committee

Councilwoman Blackburn reported she has been contacted by the Library in regards to their dumpster and what they can do since the trash truck cannot go down the alley.

Village Administrator Thompson stated he has been contacted by them and discussed their concern.

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Councilman Matheney stated the curbs that divert water still need to be repaired.

Village Administrator Thompson stated the crew will be working on that.

Councilman Dille reported algae is growing down the curb on Poplar Drive and was concerned of someone falling.

Village Administrator Thompson stated until it dries up it will be hard to get rid of.

Councilman Robison reported there were really bad weeds on the Brick Street (Ninth Street).

Village Administrator Thompson stated he will have it sprayed.

Economic Development Committee

Councilwoman Blackburn on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce thanked the Village for their donation towards the fireworks.

Mayor Finley stated they were very nice; and, he heard a lot of good comments on them and the Festival. A lot of hard work was put into everything this year.

Public Utilities Committee

Councilman Robison apologized for missing the Joint Utility Committee Meeting that was held last evening. Councilman Bragg attended, representing the Village.

Councilman Bragg reported the company that received the bid on the Media for the filters pulled their bid; the other bid was from Tonka for around \$80,000. Councilman Bragg stated this is about \$10,000 more than the first approved bid; however, if we go with a different Media, we would have to re-engineer it and get new permits. With this in mind, it will be more cost effective to go with Tonka.

Mayor Finley stated he appreciated Councilman Bragg attending as he also missed the meeting.

Councilman Bragg stated currently no other meeting has been scheduled. Councilman Robison stated he will work on scheduling the next meeting.

Councilman Dille questioned on when they planned on doing the Media. Councilman Bragg stated they would like to do it in September of this year.

Finance Committee

Councilwoman Blackburn reported the Grand Opening ceremony for Burr Oak will be tomorrow at 5:00 P.M. Councilwoman Blackburn stated this will bring monies back into the County.

Adjournment of Meeting

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

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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.

The meeting was adjourned till August 6, 2013 at 6:00 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.