

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF MCCONNELSVILLE COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

Held: October 20, 2015

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The Village of McConnelsville convened in regular session from 6:00 P.M. to 6:46 P.M. in the McConnelsville Village Council Chambers. Mayor John W. Finley called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Councilman Tom Bragg	Present
Councilman Darrell Newton	Present
Councilman Terry Robison	Present
Councilman Mark Dille	Present
Councilwoman Michele Blackburn	Absent
Councilwoman Mary Gessel	Absent

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

VISITORS: Jay Cordray

Invocation

Invocation given by Mayor John W. Finley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lead by Mayor John W. Finley.

Excuse Absent Council Member

Councilman Bragg made a Motion to excuse Councilwoman Blackburn and Councilwoman Gessel from the meeting, seconded by Councilman Dille.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of October 6, 2015

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye.

Jay Cordray entered the meeting at 6:05 PM

NEW BUSINESS

Bills of the Village

Councilman Robison made a Motion to approve the bills, seconded by Councilman Bragg.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye.

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Mayor John W. Finley

Mayor Finley reported he received a letter from Secretary of State, John Husted regarding the general election. It spoke on Issues One, Two; and, Three. Secretary of State Husted wants to make sure information on these issues is available to all Ohio Voters and is asking the Local Governments for help on getting the information out. Mayor Finley requested Councilman Robison to place this on the Village Website.

Mayor Finley reported he received a complaint in regards to trash on a back porch within the Village. Chief Copeland has already checked into this; and it will be taken care of. Mayor Finley stated he wanted to remind residents this creates an unsafe situation and they can be cited into court. Mayor Finley stated if anyone knows of properties that need taken care of, to let us know.

Mayor Finley stated he was contacted regarding concerns about the Monument and the lack of reflectors on it. Mayor Finley requested the Village Administrator look into it and see if there is a way to make it more visible at night.

Village Administrator John Thompson

Village Administrator Thompson reported the new John Deere Tractor and snow blade is in; the flashing light at Fourth Street is down; and, the crew is finishing up hot mix this week.

Village Administrator Thompson reported the crew has begun picking up leaves and will be doing it regularly. When residents have leaves ready, they are to call the office and they will be added to the list.

Village Administrator Thompson reported they have been having some issues at the Sewer Plant. A company is coming in Thursday to get prices on new equipment. Some gears and chains are bad on one of the tanks; therefore, we are only operating on one tank. We will need to get on this right away; or, we could have some issues if the river would get up.

Village Administrator Thompson reported everything is done for the Hawk Kennebec Water Interconnect; they will start advertising for bids once they receive approval from EPA.

Village Administrator Thompson stated the loan application for the sewer separation has been sent in to EPA; we should hear results within the next six weeks.

Chief of Police Troy Copeland

Chief Copeland reported Officer Weyant is back off of maternity leave, so we are back to a full staff now.

Chief Copeland reported he attended a three day class for Advance Narcotics Investigation; and, Officer McGrath just finished a one day Community Policing Ethics Class.

Chief Copeland reported everyone has been arrested and are awaiting trial for the drug cases he has been working on.

Chief Copeland reported Officer Weyant and K9 Officer Samo stopped a vehicle on North Kennebec. Two people were arrested for possession of drugs. Chief Copeland stated the K9 has turned out to be a great asset to the department.

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Chief Copeland reported Heritage Day went well. Chief Copeland stated he was glad to see the square was not closed and felt it went better without having to direct the Semi's around on the side streets.

Mayor Finley stated he felt Heritage Day was very well done and very well attended. Mayor Finley stated the organizers done great job advertising, working; and, promoting the event. Mayor Finley commended everyone who worked on it.

Chief Copeland reported there will be an active shooter evacuation drill at East School tomorrow.

Mayor Finley stated he is very proud of the drug work Chief Copeland has been doing; he has been working extra hard on it. Mayor Finley stated when he came into office, drugs was something he wanted to work on; and, he feels Chief Copeland took the initiative very personally and has done a great job.

Recreation & Buildings Committee

Councilman Newton reported he and Councilman Bragg went to the pool and went over the list of repairs needed. They determined one lifeguard chair needed replaced; and, the walls in the bathroom need something done to them. They didn't see anything wrong with the light poles or eave spouts.

Mayor Finley questioned if we could do something on the walls like they do at car washes.

Councilman Newton stated whatever way we go, it is going to cost money. Councilman Newton stated we must do something with the bottom of the pool; and, he feels it takes priority.

Village Administrator Thompson is going to call Dresden and see what they done with the bottom of their pool.

Councilman Newton stated the tree by Mr. and Mrs. Drake's home on Main Street is leaning worse and feels something needs done about it.

Mayor Finley stated yes, the property owner is looking into it.

Councilman Dille reported the second Monday of every month the Recreation Board will be meeting at 7:00 P.M. Councilman Dille stated the board has come up with a set of fees to use the park. Malta has appointed another person to the board and there is one other spot that McConnelville needs to fill.

Mayor Finley stated he appointed and swore in Haley Strelecki to the Morgan Metropolitan Housing Authority Board last Friday.

Public Utilities Committee

Councilman Bragg reported the Joint Meeting was held on October 19th; no one from Malta was in attendance.

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Robison stated they are still reviewing the curfew ordinance.

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Mayor Finley stated he wanted to remind everyone the current curfew ordinance is in force with an 11:00 P.M. curfew.

Executive Session

Councilman Dille made Motion to go into Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Bragg. Village Administrator Thompson and Fiscal Officer Henry were requested to stay; with no action being taken when coming out.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye.

Council went into Executive Session at 6:32 P.M.

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye.

Council came out of Executive Session at 6:46 P.M.

Adjournment of Meeting

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye.

The meeting was adjourned till November 3, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. at the McConnelsville Village Council Chambers.

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.