

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

VILLAGE OF MCCONNELSVILLE COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION

Held: July 18, 2017

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The Village of McConnelsville convened in regular session from 6:00 P.M. to 6:35 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	Present
Councilwoman Diane Offenberger	Present

EMPLOYEES: Fiscal Officer Ellen M Henry, Village Administrator John Thompson, and Solicitor David Tarbert

VISITORS: Jay Cordray

Invocation

Invocation given by Mayor John W. Finley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lead by Mayor John W. Finley.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of July 5, 2017

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Abstain; Councilwoman Diane Offenberger, Abstain.

NEW BUSINESS

Bills of the Village

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

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Diane Offenberger, Aye.

Public Participation

Ms. Crystal Hughes addressed Council regarding the fact she is running for Village Council this year. Ms. Hughes stated she had lived in the Village for two years and in Morgan County since 2006. Ms. Hughes stated she worked for the Crooksville Police/Fire for thirteen years.

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Mayor John W. Finley

Mayor Finley reported we received a Resolution from Senator Balderson along with the plaque from Congressman Stivers. He is going to have them mounted on the wall in the Council Chambers.

Mayor Finley reported he had a meeting with Tom Poorman, Project Manager for Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth; and, Brad Blair the Executive Vice President of the Appalachian Growth Capital. They would like to help with any kind of community development; in regards to funding for growth and job creation. Mayor Finley has information to share with Council and will have the Fiscal Officer send it out to them and he will keep it on file at his desk. Mayor Finley stated we can put it on the website as well.

Mayor Finley stated he was disappointed to hear about the vandalism on the county property at the Commons. Someone has broken part of the rifle off of the Monument.

Village Administrator John Thompson

Village Administrator Thompson reported they held the Preconstruction Meeting for the tank painting and are to begin this week or next.

Village Administrator Thompson stated he spoke with Jim Greer; our health insurance renews on September 1st. Village Administrator Thompson stated he was hoping to have renewal figures by now, but does not and is afraid it is going to be a last minute thing we will be bringing to Council. Village Administrator Thompson stated Mr. Greer is checking with another company out of Westerville since he does not have the license to deal with it himself and has to go through another Agent. Village Administrator Thompson stated Mr. Greer is not our Agent, just the middle man.

Councilman Bragg questioned if we could continue it month to month until we make a decision.

Village Administrator Thompson stated he is not sure; however, we have done that in the past. We would have to pay the increased fee regardless of what it is. He stated it would have been nice to have known earlier so we could be more prepared; however, he is hoping to have something the first of next month.

Village Administrator Thompson stated he has information on the bids for the street paving. Village Administrator Thompson reminded council we went in with the County for this project; it includes the County, Malta and McConnelville Villages along with two or three other townships. For some reason both village estimates came back higher than estimated, but fortunately the county came back under their estimate. This will increase the Village's portion they have to pay out. Village Administrator Thompson stated he should know within in the next couple of weeks if the Engineer feels there is a need to put it out to bid again; Mr. Hook is very good at working on these and is always very helpful on this.

Village Administrator Thompson reported he has been contacted by someone wanting to put a communications tower on a right of way somewhere within the Village. They had a few places they would like to place it; and the Village Administrator discouraged them as they were close to the road. They have gone back to their company to look at other places; and, they may be coming to Council to explain the benefits they feel it would be to the Village.

Councilman Dille stated the Kennebec gas line is done; and, he is concerned about the current condition of the road.

Mayor Finley stated the reclaiming crew has to come in yet.

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Village Administrator stated it is just cold patch in there now; and they will be back to fix it.

Councilwoman Offenberger feels a caution sign or bump sign should be installed to make people aware of the road condition.

Village Administrator Thompson will contact them.

Councilman Dille questioned the damaged traffic light at Kennebec and Jefferson.

Village Administrator Thompson stated a new one has been ordered.

Councilman Dille questioned when the Fourth Street building roof was going to get painted.

Village Administrator Thompson stated he is waiting for an updated price quote; he changed the color of the roof and it is a little more expensive than the original quote. Village Administrator Thompson stated we would probably see it completed in the next four to six weeks.

Recreation & Buildings Committee

Councilman Dille reported hasn't been able to get ahold of Kevin Morrow as of yet; he is still trying to do so.

Mayor Finley stated he checked on the pool over the weekend; the intercom system is down and the light on the parking lot is not working.

Village Administrator Thompson stated he would have Foreman Bragg look into those issues.

Mayor Finley stated he would like to put cameras out there and needs to get prices on them again.

Streets & Alley Committee

Councilman Robison reported he has a couple of requests and will be scheduling a committee meeting.

Councilman Robison stated he is still working on a Fire Lane Ordinance.

Finance Committee

Councilwoman Blackburn reported the committee met last evening and went over the reports she had requested from the Fiscal Officer. It brought up a couple of questions; in which, she asked Fiscal Officer Henry and received the answers.

Councilwoman Blackburn stated they will be meeting again on January 31st at 6:00 P.M.

Councilwoman Blackburn stated she was on vacation at the last meeting and was not able to report on the Bicentennial. They made \$241.00 on the Pageant with a total of 13 participants. Councilwoman Blackburn stated she thought it went very well and the Bicentennial was great. Councilwoman Blackburn commended everyone for all their efforts.

Mayor Finley stated we are still accepting donations for the costs and expenses of the Bicentennial.

Councilwoman Blackburn stated not all bills have come in yet.

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Public Safety Committee

Councilman Bragg reported he has addresses of some properties that need addressed: 555 East Main Street; the house on True Avenue; and the lot at the corner of Third and Liberty.

Councilman Dille stated Council received a letter on June 23, 2017 regarding annexation of property on Kennebec by the School and wondered if Council needed to discuss this issue.

Mayor Finley stated he spoke with John Wells and the matter has to be taken to the County first.

Councilman Robison made a Motion to proceed with accepting this request; seconded by Councilman Dille.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Diane Offenberger, Aye.

Technology and Website Committee

Councilman Robison noted he has added the pictures of the bicycle winners with their names to the website.

Other Business

Councilwoman Offenberger stated they are still working on the plaques for the donors of the flowers. Homer Weekly is donating the wood portion of the plaque and Wainwright Jewelry is donating the name plates.

Councilwoman Offenberger stated they have collected for a total of 18 flower baskets so far.

Adjournment of Meeting

Councilman Robison made a Motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Offenberger.

Votes were: Councilman Tom Bragg, Aye; Councilman Darrell Newton, Aye; Councilman Terry Robison, Aye; Councilman Mark Dille, Aye; Councilwoman Michele Blackburn, Aye; Councilwoman Diane Offenberger, Aye.

The meeting was adjourned till August 1, 2017 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.