

**REGULAR MEETING
June 7th, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Barbara J. Lloyd with the recitation of the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Roll Call – In Attendance – Paul Lowe, Kim St. Clair, Ed Harlan, Mike Nunley, Bo Coconis and Greg Gibson

Kim motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular Village Council Meeting held May 2nd, 2022. Seconded by Ed. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlon – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson – yea. Motion Carried.

Paul moved to approve the Fiscal Officer’s report for March 2022. Seconded by Kim. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Ed moved to approve the Fiscal Officer’s report for April 2022. Seconded by Mike. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlon – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson – yea. Motion Carried.

Bo moved to approve the Fiscal Officer’s report for May 2022. Seconded by Greg. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lloyd asked Council if they saw the May 2022 Mayor’s Court Data?

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

None

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator – Danny Wiseman

Park: We have all the trees cut down for the Dog Park Area which there were about 11 or 12 of them. We have 6 of the stumps dug out with the backhoe and we are getting ready to go out for bid for the fencing and walking trail.

Weed and Litter Letters went out and everything has been done. The ones we had to mow will be assessed to the property taxes.

Council Member Coconis asked in regards to the Dog Park are we going to have any announcements. Mayor Lloyd said we will have WHIZ come down once it will be ready to open. Danny added after that and the Walking Trail was completed.

Council Member Lowe asked about the trees we cut down and if they were the ones that could bring in some income. Danny replied those trees are further back, the one we took down were junk trees that were split in areas.

Council Member Lowe asked how the water leak situation was coming along. Danny replied we fixed 4 or 5 and that helped and then you get more. It is a viscus cycle.

Fire – Russell Taylor

Total runs for the month of May 2022, we had a total of 87 calls for service (YTD 443) as follows:

Fire - 16 Calls (YTD 94)

3 Fire Calls

2 Hazardous Situation Call

4 Service Calls

2 False Alarm

4 Cancelled Calls

1 Weather Incident

EMS – 71 Calls (YTD 357)

52 Transports

11 Refusals

2 Mutual Aid Transport

5 Lift Assists

1 Medic Assist

We have collected \$69,791.14 so far this year for EMS revenue or about 42% of our goal of \$160,000.

The Chicken BBQ sold out, all 1300 meals and everyone loved the chicken, no complaints.

We got flowers planed out front before the BBQ and Danny got us the mulch.

The person we had in the pipeline to possibly hire as an EMT, we are going to pass on her.

We have one employee, Jennifer Campbell, she is a paramedic, and she is instructor out at Mid-East, she is going through the state now to get us certified as a teaching place so we do not have to go out as much as we are now for training. She currently makes \$15 per hour, she left a job making almost \$21 per hour in Coshocton to come here. I would like to get her another \$1.00 an hour for taking care of all the State paperwork and doing the teaching. Eric Waltemire used to do this for us but he now pastor's a church in Roseville so his time is now limited. Council Member Lowe stated once she gets the license she can teach the medical course and save potentially a lot of money at that point I think we should consider giving her the raise. Russ said she is already teaching, but we are trying to make our Fire Department a site for the training. Council Member Lowe asked do we then get paid? Russ said yes and potentially we could charge individuals \$1,000 to \$1,500 per class. Council Member St. Clair asked would it be a good gesture if we give a dollar raise and then a percentage. Russell said no that she is already getting paid. She will be able to teach EMT and Advanced EMT, Paramedic take more in order to teach that because that is Mid-East Program. But, to get new people trained and not having to send them out for training we could save a ton of money.

Council Member Lowe asked with the money this would bring in from the fund raisers such as the Chicken BBQ and the other fund-raising activities is this money tracked yearly? Russell replied yes, through the Fire Department Club. Council Member Lowe asked so you track everything and have documentation on everything. Russell replied yes, and we just spent around \$1,700 on all new duty shirts for EMS. Council Member Lowe said we want to make sure that is being done because we do not want to get into a situation were there is any kind of situation. Russell made it clear if we get into teaching that would be ran through the would be set up through the Fire Department (Village and not the club. Mayor Lloyd asked if everyone agreed to authorizing the \$1.00 pay increase for Jennifer Campbell? Paul motioned to give Jennifer Campbell a \$1.00 increase in pay for teaching. Chris Kerby reminded everyone that a Resolution would need to be accomplished prior to the pay increase. Seconded by Mike. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlon – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson – yea. Motion Carried. Russell added that we will have some CPR classes coming up.

Russell announced that the Fire Department received a Fire Marshall's Grant for \$10,000 for Turnout Gear and lights. We were also informed Sunday that we will receive Shriner's did approve us to receive \$6,000 for Pediatric Training supplies.

Chris Kerby asked when giving the \$1.00 increase if a job description could be created. Russell said we can get it.

Police – Mark Ross

For May we had 97 incidents, that included, 12 reports, 4 warrant arrests that included 2 felonies, investigated 5 accidents, had 6 misdemeanor arrests and conducted 29 traffic stops. The auxiliaries put in a total of 47.5 hours. Compared to last year we had 164 incidents last year for this time period. One of the felonies arrests we made is starting to become news worthy, the new media contacted me today, as the arrest was on a rape. The individual had warrants for rape at 45 South Pembroke Avenue. We have been watching but could not do anything until there was a warrant for him. It finally came out of Pennsylvania and dispatch contacted me and along with deputies we were able catch him right off the bat. He is now back in Pennsylvania.

We also had a big mess with a camper that had been reported stolen here in the village. We come to find out that he falsified reports and Kevin, our Solicitor, is going to be looking into that. There are 2 people involved in that falsification, making false reports and we did get the camper back to the owners in Perry County.

We also had some storage sheds broke into right next door and there was some vehicle vandalism that occurred Monday night, actually Memorial Day Weekend Monday night going into Tuesday morning, and the Muskingum County Sheriff's Office caught 2 individuals, juveniles.

During the month we had qualifications with our on and off duty weapons, along with rifle and shotgun. Everyone passed.

The sad news is that on election night (May 3rd, 2022) our levy did not pass (109 against and 89 for), a 20-vote difference. It was a low turnout, and my hope is we may be able to try again in November.

Good New we had an AR15 rifle donated to the Department, along with a Window Tint Meter. I want to thank Chris Kerby and Mike Nunley for their donation, they will benefit the Department with our mission to keep South Zanesville safe.

Council Member Lowe asked for Saturday, Clean-Up Day, will you have presents there. Mark replied yes.

Council Member Lowe asked you have 5 Auxiliary Officers; do they work night shift or want to work a night shift? Mark answered not at this time and he cannot make them but he would ask.

Council Member St. Clair asked "The Part-Time Employee doing the evidence room was he hire to catch up because it was a mess?" Mayor Lloyd said yes. Council Member St. Clair asked if he was about done so we could replace him with a part time officer. Mark replied not yet.

Water – Danny Wiseman

For the month of May, we had 76 work orders of which 74 were completed and closed and 2 were new. We also had 70 locates.

Had a meeting with the engineer and contractor about the Water Tank for the final cleanup and to discuss what they need to complete before the final payment. So, it should be completed within the next week or so depending on the weather.

We sent Wesley to Water School and he passed the class with a 96 and then he went June 2nd to take his state test and passed it. Today we filed the paperwork with the EPA to get his License.

Street – Danny Wiseman

We are going around getting ready to do some small patching and starting to work on ditches as well.

Council Member Nunley asked this hydrant up here is it ever going to get fixed? Danny replied yes, we have to dig it up, take it out and see where it is broke. We do not have an extra hydrant to put there and they cost around \$4,000 if you can get one. It has to be dug out by hand and I think it is broke in the cylinder itself which means it can not be fixed. Council Member Lowe said so we will have to replace it then, maybe you can look into that in the next month. Danny said yes.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Street Committee – Council Member Gibson – we discussed the No Turn on Red signs at LaSalle and Main streets, both along Maysville Pike. The state called and said they are going to take down their signs and wanted to know what we are going to do. The committee is recommending that we take the signs down at LaSalle and Maysville Pike, but we would like to keep the signs at Main and Maysville because it is a little more dangerous and the BMV uses them for testing. Mayor Lloyd asked for a motion to take the No Turn on Red signs down at LaSalle and Maysville. Paul motioned to have the No Turn on Red signs down at LaSalle and Maysville. Seconded by Greg. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Rules Committee – Council Member Harlan – we discussed the grass, weed, and trash in the trailer parks within the Village. They fall under separate state guidelines. We would like to talk to Dick McClelland and Colonial Trailer Parks to see what we can do as to enforce getting the trash cleaned up in those areas.

Finance Committee – Council Member Lowe – we talked about the Police Levy and to discuss a smaller millage and put it on the ballot. We could hire an officer at 3 mills but not 2. The general consensus was to lower the millage and try again. \$100,000 at the 4 mills would be about \$140 per year, 3 mills about \$105 per year, 2 mills about \$70 per year. The environment (economy) is bad and I don't know if anyone will vote for tax raise right now. Council Member St. Clair said personally since real estate taxes just went up and the Auditor's Office just send a letter out stating the taxes will probably go up again next year and then to ask taxpayers at their expense I think the timing is wrong. Mayor Lloyd asked for a roll call vote to table it for the balance of this year. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlon – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson – yea. Motion Carried.

Park & Beautification Committee – Council Member St. Clair – We talked about the upcoming Clean-Up day scheduled for this coming Saturday, June 11th, morning between 9:30 and 11:30. We also talked about the Natureworks Grant for the Dog Park and Walking Trail as we are starting the bid process for the fence and the blacktop. Police Chief Ross added that for Clean-Up Day I do have Matt Gibson, Muskingum County Parole Officer, and I will get with him this week to see if anyone signed up. Mark continued by saying his wife and he will be here as well to watch traffic in separate police vehicles.

COMMUNICATIONS AND LETTERS

- A. Rob Guentter Project List and Status with updates on those projects. Mayor Lloyd said it very informative**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2022-5 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AMENDING AND REVISINGSPECIFIC LINE-ITEMS IN THE APPROPRIATIONS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH ZANESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL CALENDAR YEAR 2022 AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY

Ed moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Ordinance 2022-5 pursuant to statue 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Kim. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe - yea. Motion Carried.

Paul motioned to pass Ordinance 2022-5. Seconded by Ed. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe - yea. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2022-6 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO CERTIFIY A PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT FOR CUTTING NOXIOUS WEED AND REMOVING LITTER AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY

Ed moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Ordinance 2022-6 pursuant to statue 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Bo. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlon – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson – yea. Motion Carried.

Greg motioned to pass Ordinance 2022-6. Seconded by Ed. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlon – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson – yea. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing

NEW BUSINESS

Chris Kerby mentioned the budget do to the gasoline increase he would sit down with all the department heads, council, and the mayor to review the balance of this year's budget. We can not increase the budget, but we will have to move appropriations around to accomplish an updated budget.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing

ADJOURN

Paul moved to adjourn, seconded by Ed. Mayor Lloyd asked all to vote by stating I. All did. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Barbara Lloyd - Mayor

Chris Kerby - Clerk/Fiscal Officer