

REGULAR MEETING

May 1st, 2023

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, Bo Coconis,
and Greg Gibson
Absent - Mike Nunley**

Paul motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular Village Council Meeting held April 3rd, 2023. Seconded by Bo. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Coconis - yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Bo moved to approve the Fiscal Officer’s report for March 2023. Seconded by Ed. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Harlan – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Paul moved to dispense with the Fiscal Officer’s Bank Reconciliation Report for April 2023 as he is awaiting the bank statement. Seconded by Greg. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Coconis - yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lloyd asked Council if they saw the April 2023 Mayor’s Court Data?

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

None

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator – Danny Wiseman

All ‘No Trespassing Signs’ that was needed to be put up on the fenced properties have been installed.

We made a Parking Area that will hold 3-4 cars along the Dog Park Area and the Pool Area has been leveled, seeded, and straw put down.

When the weather gets better we will see about painting lines for the Pickle Ball Court.

Also, we have started a yard list for grass and weeds that needs to be cut by the property owners.

Council Member Lowe also stated that Danny told him that all the wood has been removed from the park from the trees that were taken down and rock is going to be placed along the walking trail, Poplar St. side, to stop the erosion.

Danny also stated we received \$1,000 Grant from our Insurance Company, Public Entities Pool (PEP), to buy rubber mulch for the parks to go under the playground equipment.

Fire – Russell Taylor

There was a total of 102 runs for the month of April 2023, this gives us a total of 372 for the year and last year at this time we had 359. They were as follows:

Fire – 22 Calls	EMS – 80 Calls
8 Fire Calls	55 Transports
2 Service Calls	14 Refusals
5 Canceled Calls	5 Lift Assists
10 Hazmat Calls	2 Mutual Aid Transport
	4 Mutual Aid MVA/No Point of Contact

The breakdown (location) of where the 81 calls for service are as follows:

Springfield Township – 49	Village of South Zanesville – 30
Newton Township – 14	City of Zanesville – 6
Falls Township – 1	Wayne Township – 2
Crooksville - 1	

The revenue budget for EMS in 2023 is \$190,000 and we have collected \$79,815.08. This is about 42% and we were estimated to be at 33.33%.

We had a house fire Sunday out on East Darlington, which is Newton Townships area, we had 2 trucks on scene and the fire out before Newton was able to arrive.

The new truck, Command Truck, is finished and is outside if you want to see it when we are done. It is fully equipped except for some lettering on the back.

There will be an EMS meeting tomorrow morning. Genesis Community Ambulance is requesting the City of Zanesville to give them a \$700,000 surplus of money or their going to stop running 911 calls in the city. They said they are losing to much money.

The Chicken BBQ is the 1st Sunday of June (the 4th) and we are running a raffle right now for a smoker plus a \$500 Kroger gift card. The tickets are \$10 each and there will be 300 tickets sold.

Council Member Coconis asked when the next meat raffle will be. Russell replied this coming Saturday starting at 7 PM.

Police – Mark Ross

In the month of April, we handled 126 incidents, that included 39 citations, verbal & written warnings, 4 misdemeanor arrests involving 2 domestic violence cases, 1 animal at large and DOC, and a resisting arrest charge. We handled 2 felony cases that resulted in an Aggravated Drug Possession Charge and a recovery of a stolen vehicle with an arrest. Last year at this time we had 125 incidents.

We have applied for two grants, one for the up-grade for MDT’S in the cruisers through Firehouse subs and the other was a First Energy Round-up grant for an Infrared Drone that will be used by the Police and Fire Departments. I am happy to report we got the Drone Grant for \$6,200, however we are still waiting on word for the other grant of \$14,000.

In the last meeting we talked about the vehicles at the corner of East Main Street and Stanley Avenue. I had a talk with the owner of the property, Tom Bash, and he had a talk with the renter and explained to him that he had to have the vehicles off the road.

At the house at 72 East Berkley Avenue I spoke to a person there and she is taking care of the property for her mother and she said she is in the process of cleaning up the property.

Water – Danny Wiseman

We had 22 Work Orders in April, 20 were completed and there were 2 new ones.

We also had 59 locates.

Still working on getting generators installed. We had a meeting with the electrician and now we are waiting on information so we can pour concrete pads.

We are having trouble with 1 of our high service pumps at the water plant. Arrangements with Moody's of Dayton to put us on their schedule. The approximate cost will be \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Street – Danny Wiseman

We continue to do ditching.

When weather permits and the plants are making blacktop we will do some patching.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Street Committee – Council Member Gibson – We reviewed the Resolution to put bids out to pave Gaslight Drive and Ann Circle. We are going to try to put the bids out by the end of this week. We would like to have the bids back by June 5th, 2023 meeting and paving completed within 90 days of that.

Personnel Committee – Council Member Harlon – We talked about a part-time police officer. Either 16, 20, or 24 hours a week for work. Another thing that was discussed was if we want to put another Levy request out for the voters. This would be for the November election and for it to be at least a 2 Mil Levy. As far as the 36-hour work week we are going to stay with what it is running right now. Not going to make any changes and the office will stay open on Friday mornings until noon. Council Member Lowe asked if we were going to fork out the money now or wait until we see if the 2 Mil Levy passes. Council Member Coconis said to clarify, Chris had calculated for 16 hours it would increase the payroll about \$9,700 for the balance of this year and an estimate \$2,500 of other expenses (gas, supplies, and so on), so it would be about a \$12,500 cost. Chris mentioned we have the money and also about how much revenue would be estimated would come in, about 1 citation per week on a conservative level. My recommendation is that we could get an officer started, run it until the levy is decided on by the village voters to keep them. Go for 2 Mil instead of 4 Mil like we did the last time. We decided on 16 hours total (2 eight-hour shifts) on Sunday and Monday's specifically for park issues. We would commit to doing it until the Levy is decided. Mayor Lloyd said the citizens can see

we have somebody out there, they are protected now, and to keep this protection lets pass this Levy. Council Member Lowe said he likes the idea and I like everything that was said. Council Member Lowe added if we get the media involved and talk about safety in our village and what we see going on in our country that it would be well worth supporting the Levy. Council Member Gibson agreed. If we advertise that we did fork out a little bit of money for a trial period to see if it worked maybe the voters will help us out. Mayor Lloyd asked for a motion to start the process of hiring a part-time police officer. Paul motioned to start the process of hiring a part-time officer. Seconded by Ed. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Park and Beautification Committee – Council Member St. Clair – We selected a date and location for the cleanup day this year. It is going to be on Saturday, June 24th from 9 till Noon and it will be on St Rt 719 and Maysville Pike on both sides. We are going to try to get it on the news, pass out fliers, and check with J & E Distributors to see if they will donate trash bags. Mayor Lloyd said we will also ask Kimble’s for a trash dumpster.

COMMUNICATIONS AND LETTERS

None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2023-7 **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AMENDING AND REVISING SPECIFIC LINE-ITEMS IN THE APPROPRIATIONS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH ZANESVILLE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Ed moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Ordinance 2023-7 pursuant to statue 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Paul. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Paul motioned to pass Ordinance 2023-7. Seconded by Kim. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Resolution 1100 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH ZANESVILLE TO PREPARE AND REQUEST FRO BID THE PAVING OF GASLIGHT DRIVE AND ANN CIRCLE AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY**

Ed moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Resolution 1100 pursuant to statue 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Greg. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Greg motioned to pass Resolution 1100. Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Harlon – yea, St. Clair – yea, and Lowe – yea. Motion Carried.

Resolution 1101

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR FISCAL OFFICER TO APPLY FOR A LOAN THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – SMALL GOVERNMENT FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICES REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS; AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY

Council Member Gibson asked what this was for. Chief Taylor responded “This for a lite weight skid unit on our side by side for grass fires. The one we have is to heavy to mount onto the side by side”. Council Member St. Clair asked how much would the loan be for. Chief Taylor replied “\$10,781.00”.

Ed moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Resolution 1101 pursuant to statue 731.17 of the Ohio revised Codes and declare it an emergency. Seconded by Paul. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Paul motioned to pass Resolution 1101. Seconded by Greg. Lowe – yea, St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chief Taylor stated that the house fire we had on East Berkley, I spoke to the owner and I think he is going to walk away from the house. He is going to get all of his belonging out. We have \$9,333 from the insurance company to demolish the house.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Coconis mentioned that the park, playground in particular, I do think there may be an opportunity with the Straker Foundation to help with kid related things. One is pools so I think we should think about it.

Council Member Gibson commented that at Maysville we got a grant for all new playground equipment for elementary. The playground equipment out there right now is pretty nice, it is not new, but I have mentioned it to the Treasurer and the previous Superintendent that you know some village might be interested in it. It is a lot of stuff and the new equipment is going in this summer. Council Member Lowe asked the Mayor if she would look into it. She said sure and asked whom to contact. Council Member Gibson replied Lew Sidwell, Treasurer, and the new Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS

None

ADJOURN

Ed moved to adjourn, seconded by Bo. Mayor Lloyd asked all to vote by stating I. All did. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Barbara Lloyd - Mayor

Chris Kerby - Clerk/Fiscal Officer