

REGULAR MEETING
August 7th, 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 – Kim St. Clair, Ed Harlan, Mike Nunley, Bo Coconis, and Greg Gibson
Absent - Paul Lowe

Mike motioned to accept the minutes of the Regular Village Council Meeting held July 10th, 2023. Seconded by Ed. St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Kim motioned to accept the minutes of the Special Village Council Meeting held July 18th, 2023. Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlan – yea, and St. Clair - yea. Motion Carried.

Ed moved to approve the Fiscal Officer’s report for July 2023. Seconded by Greg. Gib St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

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

CITIZENS AND GUESTS

Larry Winland – 171 East Main Street, South Zanesville, Ohio 43701
I was wonder if I could have more time to take my garage down? (Mr. Winland received a letter requesting he take his garage down or repair it because it is a safety hazard.) Mayor Lloyd replied I don’t think so because it is dangerous. Mr. Winland then stated that he already had the roof caved in and wanted to burn the other part. Mayor Lloyd asked burn? You can not burn in the Village! The only way you can burn in the village is if it is contained, like a little fire ring on your porch or something like that. Otherwise there is no burning in the village. Mr. Winland said I have bricks laid out. Mayor Lloyd said “No”. Mr. Winland repeated no burning. Mayor Lloyd again stated no burning.

Trina McFee – 71 East Berkley Avenue – My husband and I had a house fire in March and we are wanted to see what we can put there. Mayor Lloyd asked what would you like to put up there? Mrs. McFee said a mobile home. Danny Wiseman said the lot is not big enough. If you built another house you would just have to abide by the 5-foot offset, but house trailers fall under a different category. It has to face the street, has to be on a foundation, and it has to still meet the 5-foot offset. Stop in and get a copy of the trailer ordinance to help and if you still have questions let me know.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator – Danny Wiseman

We sent out grass and weed letters again and awaiting the time allotted before we take care of them.

For the Park, Chris and I met with Denny Bryan about the Pickleball Courts. He told us what we could do and took measurements. We can use 1/2 of a tennis court and make 2 pickleball courts. But the stuff he said we would have to put up would be new nets, new polls to hold the nets to meet regulation, and put colored sealer down. It would take \$3,000 to \$5,000 for 2 courts. Would like your approval to proceed and Denny will help us put them in as he has done them in other places. Bo motioned to look into further looking into getting cost to build the pickleball courts. Seconded by Ed. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlan – yea, and St. Clair - yea. Motion Carried.

Fire – Russell Taylor

There was a total of 118 calls for the month of July 2023. They were as follows:

Fire – 20 Calls	EMS – 98 Calls
6 Fire Calls	75 Transports
4 Service Calls	6 Refusals
4 Canceled Calls	7 Lift Assists
3 Hazmat Call	5 Mutual Aid Transport
2 False Alarms	5 Mutual Aid MVA/No Pt Contact
1 Gas Leak	

The breakdown (location) of where the 118 calls for service are as follows:

Springfield Township – 61	Village of South Zanesville – 31
Newton Township – 14	City of Zanesville – 4
Harrison Township – 3	Wayne Township– 3
Roseville – 1	Falls Township - 1

The revenue budget for EMS in 2023 is \$190,000 and we have collected \$148,762.15 already. This is about 78.296% and we were estimated to be at 58.33% so we are way ahead of it.

On August 26th, with Mark’s approval, we are going to have a Community yard sale at the Park. This will be like a flea market and have a food truck set up. The money will go toward the Park Fund.

Council Member Coconis wanted to mention that Lift Assists. Chief Taylor said he is looking into charging for lift assists if we have to go to a location multiple times because Community Ambulance is already charging \$600. We are spending manpower and fuel costs and not retrieving anything out of it. Council Member Gibson said you mentioned that you were going to one location/one person about every day. Chief Taylor said that is a transport.

Council Member Coconis mentioned that we spoke about the pay structure of the Fire Department and recently some of the charges have been restructured.

On September 9th we will have a Fire School starting.

The next meat raffle will be in September.

Our golf outing went well, we had 16 teams.

Police – Mark Ross

In the month of July, the Police Department handled 152 incidents, that included 51 Traffic citations/warnings & verbal warnings. Last year at this time we handled 98 incidents.

Soon we will be asking the public for the passage of the police levy. I'm planning to have open forums to the public in September and October. The forums will be about the levy and to give the public an opportunity to ask questions or express their concerns. Dates will be provided later.

There is a letter regarding Officer Spung addressing his end of the probation period (was in your packet).

Water – Danny Wiseman

For the month of July, we had 26 Work Orders of which 22 were completed and 4 are new. We also had 58 locates.

The electric box at the well field has been installed for the generator hookup.

We have been starting the Water meter changeout. We have accomplished between 125 to 150 so far. There are roughly 1,200 to change out.

Street – Danny Wiseman

Several ditches were cleaned out, East Main Street is complete by using the Mini-Hoe as well as a bunch of other streets. We have also been using the Mini-Hoe to accomplish some grass and weed cutting.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Street Committee – Council Member Gibson - El Camino is cleaned up all except for around the street light there is some vines around it and AEP is responsible for that and Dan is trying to get ahold of them (AEP) to see what they can do about it. Grants and Loans are in the planning stages to see what we can do about paving and replacing a metal culvert on South Avenue.

Council Member St. Clair added that the Grant Committee met to discuss grants and/or loans for paving. There are 6 roads involved (Gaslight, Ann, North Linden, South Linden, Riverbend, South and Union). The total cost of the project would be approximately \$249,42. Our share from the Village would be \$64,850 which part of that includes cash of \$14,850 and a 0% loan for \$50,000. Also, Mr. McClelland's share would be \$48,881 and we also include licensing fees of \$50,888 and Ohio Public Works (OPWC) loan would be \$84,803.

Personnel Committee – Council Member Harlan – This evening we talked with Russell about his future here at the Village and what he would like to do. He has 29 years of service with the Fire Department and has been the chief for 4 years, and full time chief for over 2 years. Some of the ideas he has is a Zoning proposal for the Village and we are going to look into the feasibility to do that.

COMMUNICATIONS AND LETTERS

Standard Operating Guide/Procedures for the Police Department. This is for review and approval or corrections requested in September.

Letters were sent to the Residents at 71 E. Berkley and 171 E. Main St.

Official Certificate of Local Government Revenue from the County. Bo motioned to approve the Certificate. Seconded by Greg. St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Letter in support of removing Officer Garey Spung from his probationary status to a full-time employee which means he would also receive a .50 hourly raise. Ed motioned to for Garey to become a full-time employee, remove him from the probationary status, and give him a .50 cent pay increase per hour. Seconded by Mike. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlan – yea, and St. Clair - yea. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 1107

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH ZANESVILLE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED

Ed motioned to accept Resolution 1107, Seconded by Bo. St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Bo motioned to pass Resolution 1107. Seconded by Ed. St. Clair – yea, Harlan – yea, Nunley – yea, Coconis – yea, and Gibson - yea. Motion Carried.

Resolution 1108

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE RESOLUTION 1097 PERMANENT REGARDING THE NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED BY FULL TIME VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

Ed moved to suspense with the three separate readings rules of Resolution 1108 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, and St. Clair – yea. Motion Carried.

Greg motioned to pass Resolution 1108. Seconded by Bo. Gibson – yea, Coconis – yea, Nunley – yea, Harlon – yea, and St. Clair – yea. Motion Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Coconis said in conversation with Russ, Fire Chief, I think we need to look into putting together a maintenance plan for some of our fire hydrants. The Village has 72 fire hydrants and currently 8 of them need fixed. However, there are multiple fire hydrants within the village that has not been opened in 20 to 30 years. Danny Wiseman, Village Administrator, said we have been talking about getting them scheduled and that grant money we just got I am looking at the pricing of fire hydrants. Council Member Coconis one of the things I would say is I think we need to come up with a schedule where we locate where all 72 hydrants are and come up with a schedule that obviously can be approved but I think we need to get some attention. Talking with Russ some of them are working and ones not. It's not knowing which ones are not working is the problem. The last thing we want is to have a fire on a road and the hydrant not work. Danny said what we have ran into in the past is money. We have tried to get grant money. Council Member Coconis said what it has down to is because nothing has been done for 20 to 30 years. Its going to cost but we need to put something in place that on a yearly basis we touch at least so many of them and that way in so many years everyone of them have been opened and there is a process. Danny said all these years we have not had money to do stuff and I can only do so much. Council Member Coconis said I think for the safety the hydrants are there for a purpose and I think it is something that I would like to see a schedule put in place for the 72 hydrants and if they are going to be there they need to be working. If they are not working we need to figure out what we can do but it does not make since to have them and not know if they work. Danny said one of the main problems is the valves don't work in the village so if you do have an issue when you open one (hydrant) you could drain the whole village and that is why I am trying to get valve insertions to help isolate stuff, which we have 4 coming in this grant project. Council Member Coconis said I would just like to see a plan put in place to keep up with them (hydrants). Between flushing and we talked about renting a sand blaster and then repaint the hydrants. I would hate as a village resident or business something happen. I think it is going to take some time and money to get them back up and running where we like them but my understanding is a one time there was a maintenance plan in place but at some point, it fell off.

Council Member Gibson said to get back to a maintenance program for hydrants, we know we have some that are broke and they are big money to fix them, that another topic really. But, a schedule for preventive maintenance would help a lot down the road as it is going to take years before you get caught up. Danny replied yea, and added that he just priced a hydrant and the cost are \$4,000. Council Member Coconis said that should not be the reason not to do it. Danny said I understand but we have tried to get money with grants and we have put 2 in and I have 1 more saved for when we get valves installed and then looking at a year to get the parts and hydrants in. Council Member Gibson said so basically where afraid to open them up because they might break. Danny said some of them, there is one that I know of. But if there is a fire go ahead and open them. Council Member Coconis said I understand there are a lot of things to look at and the challenges but I would like to see us work together to get a maintenance plan/schedule. When you say there is a fire, it now becomes important, I just think that is to late. I don't want there to be an issue with us not being able to something quick enough because of us struggling with a hydrant. Need to put a plan together to focus us the hydrants and identify which ones are working, the new ones, and get on a regular schedule the are opened up and flushed. Russ had mentioned that regards to when there is a water break about how they should be flushed after the water break. That way there is not

a built-up sediment and stuff like that. Danny said about 95 to 99% of our water breaks we do online and we do not shut down.

Fire Chief Taylor said we are awaiting the state to give us authorization and access off St RT 719 and El Camino Drive and get rid of the homeless encampment.

MISCELLANEOUS

Barb announced that the next meeting will be held Tuesday September 5th, 2023 at 7:00 PM do to Labor Day on Monday September 4th.

ADJOURN

Ed moved to adjourn, seconded by Mike. Mayor Lloyd asked all to vote by stating I. All did. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Barbara Lloyd - Mayor

Chris Kerby – Fiscal Officer