

# Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes June 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs  
Mr. Brian Blankenship  
Mr. Chris Colvin  
Ms. Joette Dedden  
Mr. Zack Gallagher  
Mr. Troy Lauffer  
Mrs. Connie Miller

Village Staff Present: Jeff Forbes, Law Director; Gary Copeland, Village Manager and Public Safety Director; and Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council

***CLERK'S NOTE-** This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2020. Due to Covid-19, this meeting was a teleconference using Zoom which is allowable by Ohio HB 197. The public and Council members accessed the meeting through dialing (253) 215-8782 and imputing the code 871 9907 8425 and entering password 412703 or by visiting the website:*

*<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87199078425?pwd=STl2TnFDOVUxTFRHbUZqR2FyN1dDZz09>.*

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Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **Mayor Acknowledgements**

Mayor Isaacs asked Mr. Blankenship to say a prayer for the community and nation. Mr. Blankenship led Council in a moment of prayer.

Mayor Isaacs thanked Chief Copeland for keeping the Village safe and running well during the shutdown. He also thanked the Council members for working together and keeping cool heads during these unusual times. Mayor Isaacs also congratulated the graduating class of 2020. The parade celebrating the seniors was successful and a great way to acknowledge the graduates. He thanked Joette and Chuck Dedden for replacing the American flags and poles along Main and helping Main Street look nice and patriotic.

**Disposition of Previous Minutes**

Ms. Dedden made a motion to accept the May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 minutes as written and Mr. Gallagher seconded the motion.

Motion – Dedden  
Second – Gallagher

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

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**Public Recognition**

None

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**Old Business**

None

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**Reports**

**Finance**

Finance Committee will meet on June 18 at 5:00 p.m. at the government center.

**Public Works Report**

Public Works has nothing to report. The next meeting will be July 5, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**Special Committee Report**

Mayor Isaacs stated he has not heard of any upcoming meetings for the WCML.

Want to thank MOMS for removing the dead shrubs and planting flowers along Main Street.

**Village Manager Report**

- Would like to thank Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Miller, Mayor Isaacs, and Ms. Dedden for attending the tour and training session of

the new government building wellness center. The staff has been utilizing and enjoying the center.

- On May 18, the doors of the government center were opened to the public. The pass-through window for water payments has been completed and offers an extra precaution for staff.
- Met with Charlie from Epanel to go over the timeline for demolition of the Sawyer building to ensure there is minimal interruption for providing bulk water. Plans for the new building and timeline has been provided.
- Unfortunately, the basement flooded after the hard rains. After further inspection, this appears to have been an ongoing problem but did not realize the extent. Called Wical Plumbing to clear out storm drain lines running to the detention pond behind the building. The line was clogged with tree roots. The detention pond has been cleared of debris and cattails and plan to install a yard basin to prevent future flooding.
- DP&L application approved for the electrical of the new emergency siren. Hope to have the pole installed within a week or so, then hook electric up before the end of June.
- Still waiting for the State to vote on the State budget. Want to ensure the OPWC Grant funds will be released before putting Edwards/High Street project out to bid. Currently working with Sidney and Adam Feint to get easements approved by Quaker Heights but will still need proper paperwork to record the easements.
- Current Ordinance to approve the Preapplication for PY36 in 2022 to replace the water lines, storm sewers, sewer lines, and repave Fourth Street. The plan is to work our way up from Main Street and replace the old infrastructure in the older parts of town. 2020 will complete High Street, Edwards, and Miami. The OPWC Grant for 2021 plan is to repave and replace water, storm, and sewer lines on Third Street. The OPWC Grant for 2022 plan is to repave and replace water, storm, and sewer lines on Fourth Street (High Street to Franklin). In 2023 planning on repairs for Franklin Street. Asked Choice One to provide a supervisor during the project to ensure the repairs are done correctly and efficiently.

## **Police Report**

- Ordinance tonight to add a new municipality of Harveysburg to the COG Agreement.
- Dispatch calls for May will be provided at the next meeting.

- Mayor Isaacs swore in two more reserve officers on May 28. Michael Geyer and Jordan Little took the Oath of Office as Waynesville Police Officers.
- On May 21, the parade for graduating seniors was successful. Provided four officers to help direct traffic and it proceeded without incident.

## **Financial Director Report**

None

## **Law Report**

Spoke with Darlene from Warren County Municipal League and the meeting for June will be cancelled due to the inability to find a large enough venue to accommodate the group size.

## **New Business**

Ms. Dedden explained the flags along Main Street are maintained by Village personnel and recommends they be put up for Memorial Day through the Fourth of July. The Deddens volunteered to help with this as long as they are capable. They replaced 25 out of 41 of the flags and changed out the aluminum poles with wooden ones, the wooden poles seem to hold up better and do not let the flags slide down. Ms. Dedden also wanted to thank the generosity of the Lebanon Home Depot for giving the Village a \$100 coupon. Chief Copeland stated that the Warren County Veteran's Commission were who originally donated 50 poles and 50 flags for Main Street. Mayor Isaacs thanked the Deddens for donating their time.

## **Legislation**

### **First Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions**

#### **Ordinance 2020-024**

Temporarily Amending the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the Village of Waynesville Regarding Trash Rates and Declaring an Emergency

Mrs. Miller made a motion to waive the two-reading rule for Ordinance 2020-024 and declaring an emergency and was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

Motion – Miller

Second – Gallagher

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

Mr. Blankenship asked if this could be advertised to inform the Village residents. It was agreed that Ms. Morley would publicize the waiver of fees online and on the next water bill.

Ms. Dedden made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-024 and declaring an emergency and was seconded by Mrs. Miller.

Motion – Dedden  
Second – Miller

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

**Resolution No. 2020-025**

Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into an Amended and Restated Warren County Drug Task Force Council of Governments Contract and Declaring an Emergency

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to waive the two-reading rule for Resolution 2020-025 and declaring an emergency and was seconded by Mrs. Miller.

Motion – Gallagher  
Second – Miller

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

Mr. Colvin made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-025 and declaring an emergency and was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

Motion – Colvin  
Second – Gallagher

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

**Ordinance No. 2020-026**

Authorizing the Village Manager to Prepare and Submit an Application to Participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and / or Local Transportation Improvement Program(S) and to Execute Contracts as Required and Declaring an Emergency

Mrs. Miller made a motion to waive the two-reading rule for Ordinance 2020-026 and was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

Motion – Miller  
Second – Gallagher

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

Mr. Colvin made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-026 as an emergency and was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

Motion – Colvin  
Second – Gallagher

**Roll Call – 7 yeas**

**Second Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions**

None

**Executive Session**

None

At this time, Mr. Gallagher wanted to recognize Chief Copeland for organizing and implementing the Wellness Center for staff. The Center looks fantastic and came under budget.

Mr. Colvin asked if the Village has had any impacts due to the rioting occurring across the country. Chief Copeland stated that the Village has not noticed anything.

Mrs. Miller made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. and was seconded by Ms. Dedden, all were in favor.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council