

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, June 1, 2023

Mayor Mike Petrella called the meeting to Order.

Roll Call: Bob Merriman present, Jason Mattern present, Pennie Scarpone present, Carmen DeStefano present, Randy Spence present, Gael Damron present.

Officials: Mayor Mike Petrella present, Fiscal Officer absent, Administrator Jesse Kosegi present, Solicitor Jake Linn present

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes

Can I get a motion to appoint myself Randy as administrator and or clerk for this meeting?

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Carmen DeStefano to appoint Randy Spence as administrator and or clerk for this meeting.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Guests

Shelly Wilkin discussed Carmen DeStefano conduct at a local restaurant.

Carmen DeStefano. No Comment.

Ms. Wilkin: As elected official of the Village of Wintersville this is not representing Wintersville very well.

Ordinance and/or Resolution

Ordinance 2023-35: An Ordinance providing for Amending and Revising the Appropriations of Expenditures for the Village of Wintersville for the Calendar Year 2023 and Declaring and Emergency.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Jason Mattern to suspend the rules on the second and third readings of Ordinance 2023-35.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Bob Merriman, second by Pennie Scarpone to approve Ordinance 2023-35.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Ordinance 2023-36: An Ordinance Authorizing and Ordering the Transfer of Village funds from a Certificate of Deposit Account to t Government Sweep Account at a different Financial Institution and Declaring an Emergency.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Gael Damron to suspend the rules on the second and third readings of Ordinance 2023-36.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Gael Damron to approve Ordinance 2023-36.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Announcements

F.O.P. Lodge 97 Annual Golf Outing June 11, 2023

Thunder in the Ville June 23 & 24 2023 at Jefferson County Airpark

Reports and Communications

Mayor Petrella read the Magistrate Report, Police Report, and Code Enforcement report for the Month of May.

Street Supervisor Randy Baska: Patched roads regarding pot hole also ditching on Terrace Ave. Possibly look into to a gas tank for Village Vehicles this could save the Village money on Gasoline.

Jason Mattern: The ditching over on Terrace was this in front or in back.

Randy Baska: This was the ditch/creek in back.

Jason Mattern: The residences are really appreciative of this. Is there any requirements from the EPA on the gas and diesel tanks.

Randy Baska: Not to my knowledge.

Jason Mattern: We might check with Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation.

Chief Vandeborne: I want to thank and comment all the Officers down stairs. We had an issue with a tree knocking out power to Wintersville. The Officers came out to work Traffic signals for the safety of the residences and everyone going through Wintersville.

Jason Mattern: On Code enforcement will we be getting a list of nuisances in the Village?

Mayor Petrella: I will get with Chief Vandeborne and Eric Hashburger on that.

Robert Laukert: Representative to various agencies for the Village. Steel Valley Regional Transit Authority made an agreement with a Legal Representative. Web site is soon to be put in place. Grant has been complete for Adams Street location and been submitted to the State of Ohio. Chase Bank has been selected for the certificate of Deposit. There was a discussion on the subpoena program.

Mayor's Report

Bulk Pick be patient. .

Hazardous items JB Green Household Hazardous item Saturday June 17, 2023 at the Fort Steuben Mall, also there are private haulers.

Summer Parks Program June 5, 2023 to July 28, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Walnut Park

Residence please don't shoot grass clippings out into the road which is very dangerous which is a major safety concern.

Thank You Pennie Scarpone for helping with grass cutting as we were short-handed.

Thank You to Jesse Kosegi regarding the valve problem on Fernwood Road.

Received an email regarding a resident on Meadow Road. Our Sanitation crews dumped all the can at a residence house and picked up all the loose trash laying around they did an outstanding job.

Any old American Flags can be dropped off at the Village Building until June 12th American Legion Post 557 will be having their flag burning ceremony on June 14th.

Thank you to Beth Rupert Warren for setting up a meeting with myself, Jesse Kosegi, Chief Vandeborne, Assistant Fire Chief Mark Bevilacqua, Julie Martin from Meridian Green and Pastor Thatcher from the Baptist Temple Church to discuss and come up with an Emergency plan if there is another fire at Meridian Green, what to do, it was a very good meeting. Thank you to the Baptist Temple church on welcome people if there is an emergency there.

Update on Furda and Marrow Lane still working on the legal side for them to become part of the Village. We did get Street lights on Marrow Lane.

Motion by Pennie Scarpone, second by Jason Mattern to put out for bid for Trash contract in August. Our Contract ends the end of October with our current supplier.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Randy Spence to approve \$3,000.00 for Thunder in the Ville for the Fireworks.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Nuisance calls can go to the Police Department at 740-264-5507.

Want to welcome our 7th new business to the Village it is called Pretty Rad it is at 100 Fernwood Road.

Administrator's Report

Jesse Kosegi: Marrow Lane has 3 new Street lights that are the newest with LED. The residences are very excited about this. Furda Lane did not want Street lights. I also reached out to Chappel Hill regarding lights and the road.

I meet with Core and Main regarding the Water meter project July is still the target date to install meters.

This is a huge project and has to be done by December 31, 2023. There is a request for on line bill paying for water. Will be working on that with our Water billing company.

2023 Road paving project, just signed an agreement with Quicksall engineer. Bids will probably start around August. 2024 paving project we have started talking about Cadiz Road, it is going to be the main focus for next year.

School Zone lights are going to be updated or replaced also catch basins and curbs need addressed prior to that.

J. B. Green Team Grant we got our check for \$5,000.00 we were awarded. We also received our benches.

Hydrant Flushing was done last week. We are also looking to hire summer help and looking for a CDL Class A or B Driver which will be full time.

Jason Mattern: Street lights that are out how to they take care of that.

Jesse Kosegi: They can call the Village office with the address and the pole number.

Unfinished Business

Gael Damron: Regarding the Veteran Banners we thought about suspending the application until all the banners are hung and or repaired and also documented where each banner location is.

Mayor Petrella: I am fine with that.

Gael Damron: Regarding the businesses on American Flags maybe they could support the benches.

Also they will be working on the Great Wall of Wintersville please watch when you are in that area. Then we will focus on the sign by Big Lots.

Randy Spence: Did we ear mark some of the benches for bus stops.

Mayor Petrella: I have a list where they are going.

New Business

Jason Mattern: Regarding RITA, you still have to send in the form even if you don't owe anything.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Pennie Scarpone for Robert Laukert to speak.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Robert Laukert: The State of Ohio has implemented if you don't pay the tax you will be charged a certain amount per month and there is a maximum charge you must file a return.

Jason Mattern: Over the Memorial Day Weekend 106.3 had a message of Memorial Day and what it was about. It was a reminder of what the ultimate sacrifice was about. All gave some, Some gave all.

Also Tristan Haight, the grandson the Dan Stacey from Springhill's Golf Course, Tristan pitches for Wright State Raiders, they are the three time Horizon Champs. They earned the right to go to Terre Haute for the NCAA 14th regional, which they will be playing Indiana State. It is nice to root for a local kid in an athletic event. Want to wish the Wright State Raider luck this weekend.

Jesse Kosegi: I have the Bank reconciliation for April and May that needs signed.

Pennie Scarpone: Do we know what we will appropriate the COVID money to.

Mayor Petrella I have a list we will discuss at the next Finance meeting. Possibly put it towards paving.

Gael Damron: I have a question when there is only one speed limit sign in our area and I appreciate the Police Cruisers going up and down the road the problem is that the people fly down this road and we have several children that are out on their bikes. I don't know what we can do.

Motion by Gael Damron, second by Randy Spence for Chief Vandeborne to speak.

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Petrella: We have been moving out speed sign around town to slow people down.

Chief Vandeborne: Mayor mention the speed sign. Lt. Gegick went around town and a listed a lot of sign that needs replace or new one put up. I will have the guys be out more on Crawford Ave.

Mayor Petrella: We are meeting once a month and we won't be meeting until after the 4th so please everyone have a safe 4th of July.

Transfers

None.

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Gael Damron to adjourn the meeting

Vote: Bob Merriman yea, Jason Mattern yea, Pennie Scarpone yea, Carmen DeStefano yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea.

Motion passed 6-0.

Mayor Petrella: This meeting is adjourned. Our next regular council meeting will be Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 7pm Thank you.

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Randy Spence
President of Council

Michael W. Petrella
Mayor