

MINUTES WAYNESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL

March 10, 2025

Waynesburg Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Doug Welch and the following council members present: Dwayne Knight, Park Welker, Shawn Oliver, Lee Welch, and Jeremy Dierick. Others present: Solicitor Yost, Chief Bath, David Sickafoose, and Clerk Angela Kaltenbaugh.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Welch made a motion, seconded by Oliver to excuse Anthony. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Oliver, seconded by Knight. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Citizens:

Corey Swinhart questioned Council about what could be done in regards to the trash and debris at the property located at 139 S Main St. Mayor stated that the only thing he can do is issue tickets. Swinehart stated that the warning given to the tenant expired at 4 P.M. on March 7th. Chief Bath was instructed to write a ticket this evening. Dierick reported that the Health Department has been notified. Council agreed that the current ordinance needs to be updated and a progressive penalties and fines policy needed to be added. Yost will draft the amendment for the next meeting.

Police Department:

Chief Bath gave members a written report. It was noted that there were 21 alarms to the residence addressed at the previous meeting.

Bath presented Council with an invoice from BK Technologies for 5 radios with accessories in the amount of \$27,813.29. Bath informed Council that the company donated the radios to the Village. Knight made a motion to accept the donation, seconded by Oliver. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Street Department:

Sickafoose gave a report including getting the mowers ready for Spring, replacing the post on the Little Free Library box in front of the building, putting the nets up in the park, and getting the holiday banners down. He also brought up the valves for the drinking fountain in the park. The estimate last year was approximately \$900. Dierick requested that Sickafoose get a quote to replace the fountain so that they could decide what the better option would be.

Mayor:

Mayors' court for February collected \$2150 for the General Fund.

Set Spring Clean Up date for April 26th from 8 AM- 12 PM.

Mayor Welch requested that Village employees and elected officials be cautious when responding on social media in regards to Village matters. Yost explained that this could turn into a legal matter and put the Village in an unfavorable position.

The Mayor would like Committee meetings to happen more frequently to discuss matters before regular meetings.

Clerk:

Kaltenbaugh inquired about a Records Retention Committee meeting. Yost stated that he would get a policy drawn up for the next meeting and once approved a meeting could be set. Welch made a motion, seconded by Oliver to appoint Knight as the Council Representative on the Committee. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Annual Financial Statement has been completed and submitted.

Kaltenbaugh informed Council that she was not able to locate a credit card policy in the office.

Laser printer will be installed tomorrow. All new forms will be here in the next week or so.

Solicitor:

Yost informed Council that the General Levy will not be on the May ballot. Yost had inner office mailed the paperwork and the Board of Elections did not receive it in time. Yost apologized and will have a new certification resolution next meeting.

Yost requested the regular meeting day be moved due to a schedule conflict. After a brief discussion, Oliver made a motion, seconded by Welker to change the meetings to the 2nd Thursday of each month. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Old Business:

Welker reminded everyone to have their laptops on and connected to the internet tonight for the Windows update.

L. Welch received a complaint for 152 Silver St. The property has 3 storage containers on it, one has a heat pipe coming out of the side and it is being used as a fabricating shop. Per the Zoning Ordinance, you must have a primary residence on the property and then can place a storage unit in the rear of the residence. Also the area is zoned residential so they can not operate a business. L. Welch will speak with Robert Morris, Zoning Inspector and report back to Council.

Dierick questioned if there was an update on the street lights that were out. Mayor Welch stated that he spoken to AEP and they are aware. There are a total of 19 lights out.

New Business:

Mayor Welch presented a quote for repair to the roof on the Cemetery building. Welker made a motion, seconded by Oliver to approve the quote of \$1,200 for T & C Construction.

Dierick presented Council with a quote from Custom Landscape for the parks and cemetery. After discussion, Dierick made a motion, seconded by Welch to approve \$4722 of the quote. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Dierick questioned if the nuisance issues reported needed a committee or special meeting to discuss. There is also an issue at 228 W. Lisbon with trash and debris.

Dierick also updated Council that the Cemetery Board met with a new grave digger. SGP gave the Village 2 days notice that they would not be digging any longer.

Payment of Bills:

Knight made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Oliver. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dierick, seconded by Welker. Vote: Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Knight, yes; Welker, yes; and Oliver; yes. Motion carries 5-0.

/s/ Angela Kaltenbaugh

Angela Kaltenbaugh, Fiscal Officer

/s/ Douglas Welch

Douglas W Welch, Mayor