

MINUTES WAYNESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL

June 18, 2025

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

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

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

Minutes from the May 21st meeting were approved as presented.

Citizens:

None.

Special Committee:

Safety Committee met at 6:30 P.M. on this evening to discuss the appointment of Willam Muster as an auxiliary officer. Knight made a motion to approve the appointment, seconded by Anthony. Vote: Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Oliver, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 5-0. Muster was then sworn in by Mayor Welch.

Police Department:

Chief Bath gave members a written report.

Informed Council that the Village will now be using the firing range at Greenport Tactical due to change of ownership at previous location. Chief Bath also stated that he would not need to purchase ammo this year.

Street Department:

Sickafoose was absent due to scheduled vacation. Mayor Welch gave the following report:

- Zoro mower will need a new wiring harness.
- Pickleball net needs replaced at the park. Kaltenbaugh will get measurements and order.
- Garage door will be installed next week.
- Received quotes for patching 5 large holes in paving. Lowest was \$4800. Discussion was had in regard to which holes were the Water Department's responsibility. Welker brought up the sealing that also needs to be done on Village roads. Mayor Welch will speak with Sickafoose to get an estimate to get all done at the same time.

Anthony questioned why the weed eating and mowing in the Village was behind. Also brought up that the trash at the park was overflowing. Mayor Welch will call Sandy Valley Sanitation to have this done. It was also brought up that Sickafoose was thanked on social media for being able to accept a delivery at the fire station during work hours. Mayor Welch was unaware and will speak with Sickafoose.

Fire Department:

No report given.

Mayor:

Mayors' court for May collected \$3,495.00 to the General Fund.

Received email from the EPA stating that the Water Department was not in compliance. Mayor Welch will speak with David McCray, President of the Board of Public Affairs.

Clerk:

Clerk informed Council that she had been working on the Village's website, and it is now accessible to the public. They will also be able to make online payments for their water bills and citations.'

Continuing to work on the cemetery cards. Has created a google form and is adding all the cards to a spread sheet. It is very time-consuming due to the condition of most of the cards.

Gene from TPS Pro Consulting visited the office to look at the current desktop and perform updates. It is his opinion that the Village will need to purchase a new tower in order to properly install updates. The estimated cost was \$1,000 to purchase new equipment. This would be split between the Village and Water Board. Oliver made a motion, seconded by Anthony, to approve the purchase of a new computer tower not to exceed \$500 from the General Fund. Vote: Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Oliver, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Spoke with Consumers National Bank to see if there was a loan with a lower interest rate that the current paying loan could be refinanced with. Michelle Cattlett is looking into this and will let me know.

Ordinance:

Ordinance 2025-06-01, An Ordinance establishing a Property Maintenance Enforcement Board for the Village of Waynesburg; and declaring it an emergency was presented to Council. A lengthy discussion was had covering the duties and authority of the Enforcement Board. Welch presented a list of properties that he had seen in the past week that were out of compliance. This Ordinance had no action taken and was tabled.

Solicitor:

Advised Council that the Road Levy is filed for the November election.

Old Business:

Welker stated that he would like to have a Parks Committee meeting to discuss the gazebo and other issues at Zwick Park. Would like to get a plan together for all of the work that needs to be completed so that they will have a more accurate cost to complete. No meeting was scheduled at this time.

New Business:

Welker mentioned that the Village needs to look in to initiating an income tax in the Village for the security and safety of the Village. All Council members agreed that this needed to be considered. Kaltenbaugh will contact RITA to see what the process is for collecting the income tax if approved.

Oliver saw a post on Facebook, by an anonymous poster, that made an accusation that animals were being poisoned in the Village. He advised them to contact the police department.

L. Welch requested that Council members to review the list of properties that he provided them.

Payment of Bills:

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

Adjournment:

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

/s/ Angela Kaltenbaugh

Angela Kaltenbaugh, Fiscal Officer

/s/ Douglas Welch

Douglas W Welch, Mayor