

MINUTES WAYNESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL

July 16, 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 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.

Anthony made a motion, seconded by Welch to excuse Oliver. Vote: Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Dierick, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 5-0. Oliver arrived at 7:45 P.M.

Minutes from the June 18th meeting were approved as presented.

Citizens:

None.

Street Department:

Sickafoose reported that there were clogged storm water drains by the Legion Hall and in an alley off of Lisbon. Welker made a motion, seconded by Knight to have both areas fixed not to exceed \$3,000. Vote: Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Dierick, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 5-0. The area by the Legion Hall will be taken out of the State Highway Fund.

Informed Council that the wood behind the spouting on the garage was rotted and the spouting was falling off the building. Sickafoose has contacted several companies and is awaiting an estimate.

Toro mower repair of the wiring harness was covered under warranty.

New garage door has been installed.

Pickleball net is ok for now. May need a coated cable replaced over the winter.

Police Department:

Chief Bath gave members a written report.

All officers have completed firearm recertification.

Bath will need to attend the OPOTA training this fall at a cost of \$350 out of the education fund. He will also be required to take the course to become certified as a VR instructor. He did not have any additional information on this course at this time.

Welker questioned if the driver that caused the damage to the guard rail by Rocky's was ever located or charged. Bath stated that the State Highway Patrol handled this case. It was an unregistered vehicle and no one was charged. Upon looking at the Stark County Auditors site, the property in question is owned by ODOT and is in Sandy Township. The Village should not have any responsibility in repairing the property that was damaged. Sickafoose will contact ODOT.

Fire Department:

No report given.

Mayor:

Mayors' court for May collected \$2,270 to the General Fund.

Sent out nuisance complaints to property owners that are in violation of the Village's mowing and weed ordinance. Questioned what Council would like him to do regarding properties on Silver St that have not maintained the banks in front of their homes. Council advised that they should also get notices.

Clerk:

Clerk informed Council that the copier stopped working. When she contacted the service company she was informed that they had written off the account in January 2024 for almost \$1,000 and would not be able to service the unit until this was paid. It would then be \$189 per hour of labor and parts. Service technician was unable to fix unit and estimated that it would be over \$1,000 and there was no guarantee that it would fix the unit. Office manager let clerk know that a new unit could be leased for around \$150 which included maintenance, service, and toner. Motion was made by Anthony, seconded by Knight to enter into a lease agreement not to exceed \$200 per month. Vote: Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Dierick, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Will need to hold a Budget Hearing prior to the next meeting. Council agreed that August 13th at 6 P.M.

Was contacted by USI Insurance. Council approved Kaltenbaugh getting insurance quotes before upcoming renewal to save the Village money.

Solicitor:

Has been looking into other localities record retention policies to help write a policy for the Village.

Was made aware of a personnel issue and would like to request Council make a motion to enter executive session before the end of the meeting.

Old Business:

Welker would like to schedule a demo day for the gazebo. He will send out a message with a few available days.

New Business:

Dierick would like an inventory list of equipment that was purchased for the police truck and never used. Dierick made a motion, seconded by Anthony to sell the equipment as soon as possible and to be handled by Council. Vote: Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Dierick, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 5-0.

Payment of Bills:

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

Executive Session:

Anthony made a motion, seconded by Welker to enter into executive session to include Solicitor Yost. Vote: Dierick, yes; Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Oliver, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 6-0.

Anthony made a motion, seconded by Welker to reconvene. Vote: Dierick, yes; Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Oliver, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 6-0.

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Anthony, seconded by Welker. Vote: Dierick, yes; Anthony, yes; Welch, yes; Oliver, yes; Knight, yes; and Welker, yes. Motion carries 6-0.

/s/ Angela Kaltenbaugh

Angela Kaltenbaugh, Fiscal Officer

/s/ Douglas Welch

Douglas W Welch, Mayor