

MINUTES WAYNESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL

November 19, 2025

Waynesburg Village Council met in regular session with Mayor Doug Welch and the following council members present: Dwayne Knight, Scott Anthony, Lee Welch, Shawn Oliver, Park Welker, 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. Mayor Welch read the Rules of Council.

Minutes from the October meeting were approved as presented.

Citizens:

Waynesburg Historical Society members requested another update on the Zwick Park project. Welker explained that they were at the mercy of the volunteers that are helping with the project. The area will be fenced off so that no one trips on the uneven ground for the Christmas parade. A tent will be set up on the empty lot across the street for Santa and the tree lighting.

Mohawk Valley Joint Fire Chief and other members of the department were present to answer questions from Council in light of the recent events at the department. Anthony questioned the current roster and real number of firefighters that are active with the department. The Chief presented a report to Council and the Mayor with statistics for 2025 to date on run times and attendance. Anthony also questioned what they should tell residents when asked if they are protected in the event of a fire in the Village. Chief Marraccini stated that in the last 2 days there were 2 calls around 1 P.M. and there were 4 members that responded to both. He also mentioned that there are multiple surrounding departments that they are under a mutual aid agreement with as it has been. Welker asked how to get numbers for the membership up. Multiple ideas were discussed. Any one interested in joining the fire department should get an application from the fire house. Dierick wanted to mention that since the event at the fire department that Walt has done a great job with the training. Per Dierick, it was the best thing to come out of the whole situation.

Tasha Starcher was present to observe.

Street Department:

Sickafoose reported that the dump truck would need some work. Council tabled the work at this time so that estimates could be obtained.

Christmas banners and lights are going up.

Mowers have been winterized.

Police Department:

Chief Bath gave members a written report.

No further questions or concerns were voiced.

Fire Department:

No report was given.

Mayor:

Mayors' court for September collected \$6,640 to the General Fund.

Clerk:

Discussed audit fees for the ongoing audit of 2022, 2023, and 2024. The estimated fees are around \$27,000. Kaltenbaugh forwarded the email from the auditors to Knight to assist in determining where the funds could be taken from and the percentage per fund.

Requested a third credit card for David Sickafoose to have. Sickafoose was at Grange where he believed we had an account. He left with parts and was called back as the Village's account had been deactivated. Kaltenbaugh was able to give Sickafoose her card number over the phone for the parts. Oliver made a motion, seconded by Welker, to get a third credit card. Vote: Oliver, yes; Welker, yes; Knight, yes; Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; and Anthony, yes. Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Received email from Software Solutions in regard to the current accounting software getting to the point that it will not be supported in the near future. Discussed switching to UAN and Governmental Accounting Solutions for water billing. Will reach out to both for estimates and will find out if payment made to SSI for annual support will be refunded if we do change.

Resolution:

Resolution 2025-11-001: A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. A motion was made by Anthony, seconded by Knight, to suspend the three reading rule. Vote: Oliver, yes; Welker, yes; Knight, yes; Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; and Anthony, yes. Vote 6-0. Motion carried. A motion was made by Anthony, seconded by Oliver, to adopt Resolution 2025-11-001 as presented. Vote: Oliver, yes; Welker, yes; Knight, yes; Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; and Anthony, yes. Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

Solicitor:

Found out that the old cemetery is still owned by Sandy Township even though the Village has been maintaining it. He believes that this was an oversight when the Village took over the cemeteries. He will reach out to Sandy Township.

Old Business:

Dierick mentioned that he did not think that the balance in the Park Fund should be used for Zwick Park. He feels that any funds needed above the donations being collected by the Historical Society should come out of the General Fund.

New Business:

Anthony told Council that his house would be going up for sale soon and plans to move out of state. He did not have an exact date but did want to make Council aware.

Oliver stated that this was his last meeting as he has a work commitment in December. He would be interested in filling a vacant seat if one did open up.

Payment of Bills:

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

Knight made a motion, seconded by Oliver to approve the monthly bank reconciliation as presented. Vote: Oliver, yes; Knight, yes; Dierick, yes; Welch, yes; Anthony, yes; and Welker, yes. Vote 6-0. Motion carries.

Adjournment:

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

Angela Kaltenbaugh, Fiscal Officer

Douglas W Welch, Mayor