**VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD AT THE VILLAGE OFFICE**

 **1052 MAIN ST.**

**December 09, 2019**

Mayor J. Denise Wetzel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The prayer (Linda Clark), pledge to the flag, and roll call followed. Council members present: Joan Falknor, Rita Robinett, John Swindler, Linda Clark, Darren Anderson, and Dane Driver (arrived at 7:48pm.) Eleven (11) visitors present; including Rita Neff; Tom Wetzel; George Mitterman; Cindy Ploch; Patsy Livingston; Mr. & Mrs. Hess; and Brice Schmitmeyer with Access Engineering.

**Agenda**: Swindler moved to approve the agenda, as submitted by the Mayor. Robinett seconded. All present voted yea.

**Minutes:** Falknor moved to approve the November 11, 2019 council minutes as written. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea.

**Expenses:** Anderson moved to approve the expenses and finance reports as of November 30, 2019 (submitted by the fiscal officer to the council members three (3) days in advance for their review.) Clark seconded. All present voted yea. (Council members also signed the bank reconciliations showing the detail expenses, etc.) Month end reports are always available for anyone interested to review.

**Guest Speaker**: Brice Schmitmeyer spoke of the sewer project status and efforts to obtain grants to help with the funding. There was going to be a special meeting the following Friday in Columbus, mainly for the Wayne Lakes project. He spoke of what was needed and why the billing to the residents is important to get started ASAP to show to those providing grants that the village is serious and funds will be available for the maintenance of the system. The important number for the village is to get enough grants and no/or low interest loans for the project to bring the cost down for the residents. Brice also commented it would be at least three (3) years before the construction got started.

**Mayor Updates**: Again, Appreciations to all the volunteers and for their support was mentioned. The mayor updated the following: 1) the maintenance on the lawn mowers and any necessary repairs has been scheduled after the first of 2020; 2) Reminder was also mentioned on RITA and paying estimated tax this year for residents and owners in the village. Required filing for 2019 will be by April 2020; 3) the mayor spoke of vandalism/theft taking place within the village; illegal dumping still going on in the park. 4) The mayor noted if anyone driving a golf cart gets pulled over, they are expected to show their driver’s license and proof of insurance. Neff reported she still sees younger kids driving a golf cart in the village. 5) Neaves township has reported they are working on a contract proposal with the village; 6) when questioned, the mayor stated as of January 1, 2020, there will be no elected mayor and two council seats will be vacant. The mayor also pointed out the importance for council to elect a President of Council for that person will have to serve as the Acting Mayor for two years but still holds her council seat (for voting purposes). If there is a tie involved, then it would be considered as a “no” on that issue.

**Community Group Updates:**

**F.o.W.L:** Adam Wicker was not present. George Mitterman reported in his absence. There was no December meeting. The meetings are to take place on every first Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be January 8, 2020, since New Year’s falls on the first Wednesday this year.

**E-Bird – Cindy Ploch**: Ploch reported there were no new birds reported in November for the Village. Shawnee Prairie and the Village of Wayne Lakes tied having 124 different species. Ploch also pointed out that Fort Jefferson Park is now considered as a “Hotspot”. After the first of the year, the numbers will start all over again.

**Village Updates:**

**Community Building**: Troy Stewart reported that he had five (5) rentals for the month of December. Stewart also reported there will be no rentals for the months of January and February, 2020.

**Zoning:** Curtis Yount was not present.

**Tri-Village Rescue**: Robinett reported there was no meeting in November.

**Open forum – Ideas for vandalism control**: The Village does have a curfew and it was mentioned to have this in the newsletters as a reminder to the residents. Ideas mentioned are as follows: Everyone should keep their car doors locked; more street lights; more cameras; and increased police patrol. Council agreed on the importance of a security system and to look into obtaining more street lights and cameras.

**Reminder: Community Sewer Project Information Meeting** - Access Engineering is sponsoring a special community meeting to bring the residents up-to-date on the status of the sewer project. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at the Community Building at 7:00 p.m.

**Village Special Project Report - Sewer:** Swindler reported that once the sewer project is completed there will have to be a “Board” consisting of three residents (no council members). Swindler requested for people to think about this and if interested decide to step up to be on this Board when needed.

**Council Business:**

**President of Council Pro Tem:** The mayor reported that Linda Clark has stepped forward and has agreed to be the President of Council if council members approve. Driver moved to elect Linda Clark as the President of Council Pro Tem. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea. (It was noted by Clark that due to her full time employment she has been asked by her employer not to sign any checks on a regular basis, only in an emergency situation). The mayor again explained the process of having an acting mayor come January 1, 2020.

**Request for Council approval:**

**Pepsi Pop Machines:** The pop machines located at the village municipal building was discussed. Tom Wetzel has volunteered to oversee this project taking care of the pop inventory (placing the orders when needed ;) and seeing that the money in the machines will be checked and arrange a system so the fiscal officer can make the deposits (and write the checks for payment of the pop when ordered). Two volunteers have agreed to help with keeping the machines filled. Wetzel noted that he had a security system he would sell to the village at $150 (it was $400 new and never used (one he never installed for his business.) Falknor moved to move forward with the village pop machines as outlined by Tom Wetzel. Driver seconded. All present voted yea.

**Increased Sheriff Patrol:**  After a brief discussion, Swindler moved to increase the Darke County Sheriff Patrol to an additional four (4) hours a week during the rest of December through January 13, 2020. Seconded by Robinett. All present voted yea. Council to address whether to continue the increase at the January meeting.

**Goose Nest Disruption Permit***: (Amended 01/13/20)* Motion was made by Falknor to apply for the permit so it will be in place when someone volunteers to perform the nest disruption. Seconded by Swindler. Falknor, Swindler, Clark, Anderson, and Driver voted yea. Robinett voted nay. Motion passed.

**Resolutions/Ordinances:**

**3rd Reading of Resolution 2019-10-14-1 – A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES, DARKE COUNTY, OHIO APPROVING AND ADOPTING A PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY** was read by title only by the fiscal officer. Swindler moved to adopt Resolution No 2019-10-14-1. Seconded by Driver. All present voted yea.

**1st Reading of Ordinance 2019-12-9-1 – AN ORDINANCE OFFERING TO SUPPLY WATER TO PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1183 MAIN, WAYNE LAKES, GREENVILLE, OHIO.** Was read by title only by the fiscal officer. This ordinance establishing a contract (referred to as the Shared Beach Well) with the current owner Luke E. Whalen (Parcel L80-2-211-33-04-02-11000). Swindler moved to waive the three reading rule on Ordinance 2019-12-9-1. Seconded by Anderson. All present voted yea. Falknor moved to adopt Ordinance 2019-12-9-1. Seconded by Robinett. All present voted yea.

**1st Reading of Ordinance 2019-12-9-2 – AN ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020** was read by title only by the fiscal officer. This ordinance has to be to the Darke County Auditor before January 1, 2020 and was submitted for approval upon the request of the Finance Committee Chair, John Swindler. A brief discussion followed. Falknor moved to waive the three reading rule on Ordinance 2019-12-9-2. Driver seconded. All present voted yea. Falknor moved to adopt Ordinance 2019-12-9-2. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea.

**1st Reading of Resolution 2019-12-09-01 – A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE DATES FOR THE MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR** was read by title only by the fiscal officer. The monthly meetings will be held on the second Monday of every month at the Village Municipal Building, 1052 Main Drive, Village of Wayne Lakes, Greenville, Ohio at 7:00 p.m. Driver moved to waive the three reading rule on Resolution 2019-12-09-01. Seconded by Anderson. All present voted yea. Driver moved to adopt Resolution 2019-12-09-01. Seconded by Anderson. All present voted yea.

**1st Reading of Resolution 2019-12-09-02 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A RENEWAL AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES WITH THE HYLANT GROUP FOR THE PURPOSE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE THROUGH THE OHIO PLAN RISK MANAGEMENT, INC. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** was read by title only by the Fiscal Officer. Our current policy ends December 27, 2019. Proposal was presented weeks earlier (with council receiving a copy for review). The total cost of this Ohio Plan for 12-28-2019 thru 12-27-2020 is $5,719. Swindler moved to waive the three reading rule on Resolution 2019-12-09-02. Robinett seconded. All present voted yea. Swindler moved to adopt Resolution 2019-12-09-02. Robinett seconded. All present voted yea. Swindler moved to declare an emergency on Resolution 2019-12-09-02. Robinett seconded. All present voted yea.

**Council Committee Reports:**

There was nothing new to report from the committee’s.

**Mayor End-Of-Term Report to Council –** The mayor gave her report on the accomplishments that have been made in 2019 for the Village of Wayne Lakes:

Step Outside Grant (Hooked on Fishing)

ODNR Permit – Goose Nest Snow & Mowing Contracts for 2020

Lake Study – F.o.w.L Ten (10) lakes treated

Roads were patched Mowers to be maintained

Beach Opened (as a trial) All Audit Fees – paid in full

Municipal Building Purchased Community Building Roof Repair

Everyone thank the mayor for her hard work and time spent for the village. Denise Wetzel promised to be

around to help the acting mayor in 2020. She has also volunteered to continue serving on the Sewer Committee.

Swindler moved to adjourn. Seconded by Robinett. All present voted yea. Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn L. Robinson, Fiscal Officer

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