

VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Village Office Building
1052 MAIN ST.
June 14th, 2021

Acting Mayor Linda M. Clark called the meeting to order at 07:00 p.m. The pledge to the flag along with prayer, and roll call followed. Council members present: Linda Clark, Troy Stewart, Darren Anderson, Diana Pethtel and Rita Robinett. John Swindler was absent with an excused absence. Five visitors attended the meeting.

Agenda: Anderson moved to approve the agenda, as submitted by the Acting Mayor. Pethtel seconded. All present voted yea.

Minutes: Stewart moved to approve the May 10th, 2021 council minutes. Anderson seconded. All present voted yea.

Financial Report: Pethtel moved to approve the finance reports as of May 28th, 2021 (submitted by the fiscal officer to the council members three days in advance for their review.) Robinett seconded. All present voted yea. (Council members also signed the bank reconciliations showing the detail expenses, etc.)

Acting Mayor Updates:

Guest Speaker: No guest speaker present

Appreciations: Thank you to everyone involved who helped with the capture and removal of the beavers in the village. Thank you to Rita Neff for trimming and trash removal in the parks.

Mayor Updates: Brice Schmitmeyer of Access Engineering will be present again at next month's meeting to answer any questions and provide additional updates about the sewer project.

Community Group Updates:

E-Bird: No report given

Village Updates:

Community Building: The community building is planned to be rented through July. The village does have additional seating available for larger gatherings.

Zoning: No report given by Curtis Yount.

Open Discussion: There has been no response from American Tower regarding the cell phone service in/around the village. There has been evidence found of someone doing personal dumping in public village trash cans. Please inform the village or council if you have any information. There will be letters going out to any residents with unruly yards or excessive trash and debris in their yard. The Darke County Health Department confirmed the septic tank on North Drive has been pumped and the property on Evergreen has a new owner and they are assessing their options. A resident raised concern about dead trees they noticed when out on a bike ride. Council urged the resident to take note of the location of these trees and to report back with their findings. The resident was concerned about the potential for a public safety issue because some of the trees hang over the roadway or public areas.

Special Projects: No updates on the sewer project. The monthly bills have started going out to village residents. The village office received 25-30 phone calls about the bills/billing process. Please call the village office if you have any questions.

Council Business:

Community Garage Sale: Council discussed whether or not to allow a community garage sale for 2021. After discussion, Rita Robinett made a motion to allow for a community garage sale for 2021. Clark seconded. All present voted yea. No date has been decided upon. More discussion is to be had on this subject and information is being gathered on when other communities are holding their community sales and other events going on this summer.

Fishing Passes: Sales of fishing passes for 2021 have totaled \$11,664 YTD.

Drain Project: The grant the village applied for through Darke County has been denied due to the scale of the project. The project is only expected to impact 65-70 households and the grant applied for is intended for projects of a much larger scale. There are still additional funds out there for the village to look to access from the American Recovery Plan. Troy Stewart made a motion to continue forward with the Drain Project in 2021. Anderson seconded. All present voted yea.

Requests for Council Approval:

1st READING OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-06-14-01 – RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ACTION TAKEN ON FEBRUARY 22, 2021 BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES AND THE DARKE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISIONERS – This resolution confirms the intent of the Village of Wayne Lakes to construct a new sewer system within the village. Linda Clark made a motion to waive the three readings rule. Pethtel seconded. All present voted yea. Darren Anderson made a motion to adopt this resolution. Pethtel seconded. All present voted yea. Stewart made a motion to declare an emergency. Clark seconded. All present voted yea.

2nd READING OF ORDINANCE 05-10-02 ORDINANCE RESTRICTING UNLICENSED AND JUNK MOTOR VEHICLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITH PERMISSION OF OWNER; NOTICE OF REMOVAL AND IMPOUNDING IN THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES – This was the second reading of the proposed ordinance regarding unlicensed and junked motor vehicles in the village of Wayne Lakes. Council discussed prolonging the period of time allowed before a vehicle would be removed from a residence from five days to thirty days.

Council Committee Reports:

Finance: No report given

Lake Management: There are locked gates at all the spillway locations within the village. It was recommended to the village to seriously consider opening and shutting these locks/gates once a year to make sure they work in case of an emergency. Stewart was going to work on locating all the keys for the locks

Village Maintenance (roads, trees, equipment, buildings): Darren Anderson talked with Wagner Paving about areas within the village that need repaired. He is also going to talk to the county about doing the repairs as well. The village lawnmowers have been repaired. Some of the public access areas in the village need cleaned up. Anderson was going to investigate the cost of purchasing an extension and harness for the village weedwhacker to help make it easier for clean-up. An agreement has been reached with the youth group in Fort Jefferson to

maintain the recycle bin in the village. If a resident has brush they want chipped, please place it by the curb and also call the village office so someone from the village can come and chip it.

Domestic Animal/Wildlife/Littering: There were multiple reports of a dog running loose on Main Drive within the village. All residents are reminded to keep their pets on a leash when out in public areas within the village.

Social Media: There will be some advertising going up in regards to the rental opportunities available at the village Clubhouse.

Grants: No report given.

Anderson moved to adjourn. Stewart seconded. All present voted yea. Meeting was adjourned at 07:51PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Joshua L. Miller, Assistant Fiscal Officer