**VILLAGE OF WAYNE LAKES**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Village Office Building**

 **1052 MAIN ST.**

**October 10th, 2022**

Acting Mayor John Swindler called the meeting to order at 07:01PM. The pledge to the flag along with prayer, and roll call followed. Council members present: Troy Stewart, Jacob Butsch, Danny Saunders, Rita Robinett and Robert Ewry. Seven visitors attended the meeting.

**Agenda**: Troy Stewart moved to approve the agenda, as submitted by the Acting Mayor. Saunders seconded. All present voted yea.

**Minutes:** Swindler moved to approve the September 12th, 2022 council minutes. Stewart seconded. All present voted yea.

**Financial Report:**  Swindler moved to approve the bank reconciliation for the month ending September 30th, 2022. Saunders seconded. All present voted yea. (submitted by the fiscal officer to the council members three days in advance for their review. Council members also signed the bank reconciliations showing the detail expenses, etc).

**Mayor Updates**:

**Guest Speaker:** Brice Schmitmeyer of Access Engineering was our guest speaker. Brice stated they are finalizing the available financing to the village by the end of the month. There will be a representative available from Access Engineering on site at the village on Monday, Wednesday and Friday to help with the signing and notarizing of the easements. Brice provided an update that the progress with the signed easements is trending in a very positive direction and wanted to reiterate there is no out of pocket costs for village residents as long as they sign the easement agreement.

**Appreciations:** Thanks to Rita Neff for her continued efforts in cleaning up around the village.

**Mayor Updates:** 72 children attended the Hooked on Fishing event in the village. The lakes were stocked prior to the event. Hooked on Fishing qualified for a grant that covered the cost of stocking the lakes.

**Community Group Updates:**

**E-Bird:** No update given.

**Village Updates:**

**Community Building**: Rentals are still strong at the community building but will taper off as the weather turns. The village is still exploring installing A/C at the community building.

**Zoning:**  No report given by Curtis Yount

**Special Projects:** No update given.

**Open Discussion:** There will be hayrides available for the children of the village on October 30th after trick or treat in the village. Trick or treat will be held on October 30th from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Volunteers are welcome to help with the event.

**Council Business:**

**Fishing Passes:** YTD sales are $12, 153

**Beach Attendance:** $5125 in admission YTD

**Tree Ordinance:** Danny is working on updating sections nine, eleven and fourteen of the ordinance. Danny also is working with the affected trees/homeowners to get trees trimmed to a height of fifteen feet above the roadway.

**Grounds Maintenance Assistant:** Logan Fellers has requested help when it comes to chipping and trimming. John Swindler made a motion to approve the hiring of Travis Burton at a rate of $12/hour to help Logan Fellers. Butsch approved. All present voted yea.

**Corby Anderson:** Troy Stewart made a motion to allow Corby Anderson to trap within the village limits. Swindler seconded. All present voted yea.

**Requests for Council Approval:**

**Resolution 2022-09-12-01:** A second reading was had to establish an interim sanitary sewer bill.

The sanitary sewer bill applies to each and every owner of a lot with a dwelling/structure that

will be required to be serviced by the sanitary sewer. The interim sanitary sewer bill will be

made quarterly starting January 1st , 2023 at the amount of $135/quarter being $45/month. The funds from this bill will be placed in a separate fund to be used only for the development of a sanitary sewer for the village. Once construction is at 75% completion, the bill will be raised to cover all debt, treatment operations, maintenance, capital replacement, reserve account and any other costs associated with the project.

**Council Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** 2023 budget meeting will be held soon.

**Lake Management**: There two attendees at the most recent lakes meeting. The lakes committee is looking into a pump to help remove leaves from the lakes.

**Village Maintenance (roads, trees, equipment, buildings):** Jacob is working with Shane at Darke County to identify the most egregious pot holes that need addressed ASAP.

**Tree Commission:** Danny is getting letters mailed out to homes with problem trees that need addressed.

**Domestic Animal/Wildlife/Littering**: No report given

**Social Media**: No report given.

**Grants:** Robert wanted to pass along that there are program available for anyone who needs assistance in paying utility bills. He said to please reach out to HWAP, PUCO and the Ohio Department of Aging for any residents who may need assistance.

Motion made by Stewart to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ewry. All present voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 07:53PM.

Respectfully submitted by

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