## Village of Chauncey Council Meeting on September 18, 2018 Meeting Minutes

<u>CALL TO ORDER-</u>The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM at Village Hall.

PLEDGE TO FLAG- Observed by all in attendance.

ROLL CALL- Taken by Fiscal Officer: Seat 1-Joe Canter present; Seat 2- Vacant; Seat 3-Tammy Hawk present; Seat 4- Amy Renner present; Seat 5- Larry Pierce absent; Seat 6- John Canter, President of Council, present. Joe Canter moved to excuse Councilman Pierce with a second from Tammy Hawk. AIF passed.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS-** Village bills were reviewed by Council members. Moved by John Canter and seconded by Tammy Hawk that the bills be paid. AIF passed.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)-</u> Meeting minutes for August 21, 2018 Council Meeting and Records Retention Meeting were reviewed by Council. Moved by Tammy Hawk to approve both set of minutes; second by Amy Renner-AlF approved.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER- Financial report for August 2018 was provided to Council members for review. Moved by Tammy Hawk to approve the Financial Report. Second by Amy Renner. AIF passed. Fiscal Officer reports that the 2016 and 2017 Audit is ongoing.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS- No Ordinances were presented to Council. Resolution 2018-6 which approves the Agreement for Athens County to provide legal representation for indigent persons was presented and moved for adoption by John Canter, second by Tammy Hawk, no discussion was requested or had. Voice call vote; Joe Canter-aye; Tammy Hawk-aye; Amy Renner-aye; Larry Pierce-absent; John Canter-aye. AIF Resolution approved.

**NEW BUSINESS-** No new business.

## **RESIDENTS COMMENTS**

- 1. Zachary Buck addressed Council regarding the use of Ohio University (Hocking College) students to reroute the river to help divert some of the flooding within the Village. Mr. Buck says that he has been unable to get any progress with this.
- 2. Lee Reid spoke regarding the support and gratitude for the Village employees input on the Baileys Mountain Bike Project;
- 3. Jesse Powers spoke to Council about the status of the HockHocking Adena Bikeway Extension, Bailey's Mountain Bike Trail System, Chauncey's Neighborhood Revitalization Grant and Athens Community Challenge. Jesse indicates that the Phase 1 of the HockHocking Adena Bikeway funding has been applied for with ODOT Transportation Alternatives Program Construction Funding has been awarded and they have submitted an application to the ODNR for a Clean Ohio Trail Fund grant to cover the cost of the project design.

Ms. Powers spoke regarding the Baileys Mountain Bike Trail System and the Pay for Success Impact Investment. She is still looking into the possibility of the Village becoming National Flood Insurance Plan Compliant. The Mayor and Ms. Powers discussed the NFIP. Mayor Mattey asked how it was possible to become compliant when the majority of the residents and even the Post Office and the School would need raised. The last the Mayor was told was that the Village had to be 100% Compliant or none at all. Ms. Powers advised that she would speak to the NFIP and see if there was the possibility of the Village becoming Compliant.

The Mayor asked Ms. Powers who would pay the investment back if the Pay for Success Impact Investment failed. Solicitor Shostak asked Ms. Powers if there are any examples of the models of the Pay for Success Impact Investment so the residents and council can see how it would improve the Village. She advised there is a Mountain Bike trail in Minnesota that is successful in bringing in tourism. However, Mountain Biking is new concept East of the Mississippi River The Solicitor also asked who if anyone had shown an interest in the Pay for Success Impact Investment, Ms. Powers advised that she was interested in approaching Ohio University about investing in the Pay for Success.

Solicitor Shostak believes the project is well thought through. Solicitor Shostak asks what additional monies are available to the Village to help with the revitalize of the Village. Is there a book?

Ms. Powers advised there is something that she will email Solicitor Shostak to give him further insight into the monies that might be available to the Village. The majority of the problem is the street funding in flat and hard to receive. There for the USDA and other organizations would make Chauncey more viable while allowing for some upkeep on roadways.

Solicitor Shostak doesn't understand how the Pay for Success Impact Investment will work and doesn't understand how this model will pay for itself. Solicitor Shostak advised he will look further into the Pay for Success Impact Investment Model.

Ms. Powers advised Council that Chauncey did receive funding from the Athens County Community Development Block Grant, however they are wanting things centered around the Park. The Grant will provide a Crosswalk at Lexington Ave, sidewalk to the Park, parking spaces and a restroom facility at the park.

Amy Renner asked who would be responsible for the maintenance and up keep of the restroom facility. Ms. Powers advised that the restroom will be mostly made of concrete to help deter vandalism and to keep maintenance to a minimum for the Village employees.

Ms. Powers also advised Council that if the Village had a complete streets policy that would open negotiations for ODOT.

See Attachment A for summary, and Attachment B and C for maps of ongoing projects discussed in Attachment A.

4. Ric Wasserman, Athens County Treasurer, spoke to Council regarding the Landbank and how it is funded. He advised Property taxes are divided up as follows: School – 49.11% County – 30.29% Village – 12.5% Twp. – 4.83% Tri-County – 3.27% and any late fees or penalties go into the Landbank.

The Landbank is a state sanctioned way of dealing with distressed, abandoned properties and return the properties to productive properties. The Village currently has 8 properties in Chauncey that are being looked into by the Landbank.

Mr. Wasserman advised that the resident can voluntarily give the property to the landbank or the County can foreclose on the property.

Mr. Wasserman advised that some of the Chauncey's nuisance properties would be some of the first properties addressed by the Landbank. The County will receive \$12,500 per property to green it up. There was discussion regarding the delinquent tax bills within the Village.

Solicitor Shostak asked if the once the Landbank acquires property if there is no interest in the property can it be given to the Village. Mr. Wasserman advised that it may be possible.

<u>VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</u>- Administrator Russell informed Council that he has been in contact with CSX and they have stated that they are going to renew the contract regarding the mowing of the CSX properties.

<u>SOLICITOR'S REPORT-</u> Solicitor advised there is a meeting for the Baileys Run Extension of the Bike Path and asked that someone from Council attend. Solicitor Shostak still has questions regarding the Pay for Success Impact Investment Model. "Did they invest 3 Mill and take 20 years to get the 3 Mill investment returned?" There was further discussion regarding the Pay for Success Impact Investment Model.

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MAYOR'S REPORT- Mayor Mattey informed Council that he will be on vacation for the next Council meeting and the Annual Lions Club Halloween Party will be held on October 23.

Next Council meeting is October 16, 2018 at 5:30 at Village Hall.

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS-**

<u>Amy Renner</u>- informed Council that she and Tammy are working on the Community Improvement Challenge. There was some discussion as to who should be on the team.

<u>Tammy Hawk</u>- inquired about the youngling that is riding the 4-wheeler on the roadway in the Village. She asked if there was somewhere they could ride it and Solicitor advised her that is no where to ride within the Village limits.

Joe Canter-said he wants to complain about the grass not being mowed at the Goins residence, Scrap Savage residence, and the one property on Monroe St. Joe asked that a letter regarding mowing be sent and also send a clean up notice to the property owner at the corner of Converse and Lexington Ave regarding the broke down Jeep and mattress and box spring and the "Free" Recliner.

Administrator Russell advised that he would see that it was taken care of.

Larry Pierce- absent

<u>John Canter</u>- has there been any progress on removing the half demolished trailer home on Lexington Ave. Administrator Russell advised that the property was just purchased by Joe Lucas and he is in the process of taking care of the demolished trailer.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-** No executive session was held.

<u>ADJOURMENT-</u> At 6:59 PM, Joe Canter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tammy Hawk. AIF stood up.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

**RECORDED BY** 

Mayor Robert Mattey Dat

JOHN CAWTOR

Leslie Nicholson, Fiscal Officer Date