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**Village of Chauncey Council  
September 8th, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Amy Renner called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO FLAG** – The pledge was observed by all in attendance.

**ROLL CALL** – Taken by Fiscal Officer

Seat 1 – Connaught Cullen, Present

Seat 2 – Tammy Hawk, Present

Seat 3 – Karla Dellinger, Absent

Seat 4 – Evelyn Nagy, Present

Seat 5 – Diana Burritt, Absent

Seat 6 – Dylan Skees, Present

Mayor – Amy Renner, Present

Solicitor – Jonathan Robe, Present

Village Administrator – Chris Russell, Present

Village Residents – Kerr Koyoh and Cindy Six

Motion to excuse Karla Dellinger and Diana Burritt made by Tammy Hawk, seconded by Connaught.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Motion to approve bills made by Evelyn Nagy, seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve the minutes from August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 with changes made by Evelyn Nagy, Seconded by Tammy Hawk, AIF

**APPROVAL OF FINANCES AND REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER**

Motion to approve July Financial statements made by Evelyn Nagy Seconded Dylan Shees by, AIF

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution 2022-25 Authorize the Mayor to Apply for ARC Grant for Water Extension Project

Application region grant for the water expansion. This will allow the mayor to apply. The grant is for around \$ 140,000. This will be used for the expansion of Plum Street.

Tammy Hawk made the motion to introduce the Resolution, seconded by Connaught. Evelyn suspended the rules to preserve the financial stability of the village, Tammy Hawk Seconded

Connaught Cullen = Yes

Tammy Hawl = Yes

Evelyn Nagy = Yes

Dylan Skees = Yes

Motion to adopt made by Connaught Cullen seconded Evelyn Nagy.

Resolution 2022-26: 2.5% increase in wages due to cost of living increase.

2.5 cost of living increase for the Village Administrator, Assistant Village Administrator, and Water Clerk. Tammy Hawk made the motion to introduce resolution 2022-26, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF

Evelyn Nagy suspended the rules for the purpose to retain current village employees, and Connaught Cullen Seconded

Connaught Cullen = Yes

Tammy Hawl = Yes

Evelyn Nagy = Yes

Dylan Skees = Yes

Motion to adopt by Tammy Hawk, seconded by Evelyn Nagy. AIF

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Park Construction Update: Chris and the Mayor meet with ODNR every Monday now virtually. The project is expected to be complete now by November 14<sup>th</sup>. Originally was October 31<sup>st</sup>. They are expected to give another extension.

The fourth street is now paved and the paving crew will be starting on the bike path to the park.

The sidewalks are now being fixed and once the sidewalks are done, they will be headed to the park to start the basketball court. The pump track is now done. The parking lot will be fixed and the road will also be paved.

The contractor for the amphitheater has backed out and now they are looking into a different contractor.

Sewer Projects Update: CDBG grant went out for bid and they received no bids. DLZ included this in their project cost for construction. Office of Development is saying we can apply for an RPIG grant. This grant is more money than CDBG. The RPIG is up to \$750,000 instead of \$500,000. A small community round table meeting in August went really and the EPA stated that we may be awarded up to 4 million dollars. If we split it up into two phases, we may get more funds. The first phase is 5.7 million. We did receive the permit from the EPA to make our project shovel-ready. 1 million from the Army core of engineers. EPA stated that we could apply for another 4 million for our second phase. Mayor reached out to the senator's office and may receive up to half a million dollars from them. Phase one will be addressing Converse street first.

Water taps: Chris is still looking at these due to the price difference between the residential and commercial taps. The residential tap price is \$ 2,000. The village needs to look at separate charges for the commercial tap because of the cost of the material. Chris is waiting on prices from suppliers and other villages.

## **RESIDENCE COMMENTS**

Cindy and Ken (13<sup>th</sup> Forth Street): Their property is so small that they can't get water from the gutters of their home. They would like to tie it into a storm drain to get the water off of the property. They would also like to thank the council for everything they do around the village and are willing to help out in any way they can.

## **VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR**

Chris did get the Railroad easement permit done. This allows the village to go under the road and the railroad tracks to get sewer to the park.

Chris has been working closely with the people at the park. Some of the evaluations are off but it is not a big deal. The grading is off but they are working on it.

Clothing allowance: This usually happens in August and the cost of living increases. Tracie stated that she did not get her cost of living increase last year.

## **VILLAGE SOLICITOR REPORT**

Working on issues related to the Mine properties. Mayor is having a meeting with ODNR about the issues.

20 Smith Street Condemnation: The notice posted on the door was torn off. This should not be an issue because the solicitor has pictures of the village administration posting it on the door. The administrator set a deadline of the end of September for a resolution. If no action is to take place, the house can be condemned or another action can take place.

2 Lexington Condemnation is no longer active. Habitat for Humanity has bought the property.

## MAYORS REPORT

Officially on the Hock Hocking Bikeway Committee. Evelyn will represent the Village of Chauncey. A meeting is scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup> at the Athens Community Center. The commissioners did get the funding.

Jessie Powers reached out to us about a sign for the park. How do we want this done and what material do you want to use for the sign? Council would like to use the bricks the village has.

ODNR nature works grant: We can do anything with the grant until the park is done. This grant is good until the end of 2023.

Texas Eastern cleanout date: September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

Southeastern Ohio History Center: This will help get recordings of village members and the history of the village.

Council meetings changed to the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30.

## MEMBER REPORTS

Evelyn Nagy: Healthy department is putting a friendship bench within the village.

Tammy Hawk: Halloween for the village this year has been set? October 29<sup>th</sup> will be the event this year from 5:30–7:00. Would like a committee sheet.

Connaught Cullen: Has updated the website.

Dylan Skees: Nothing

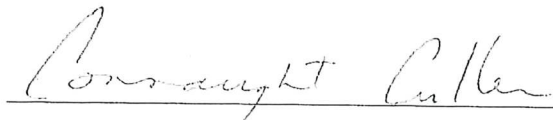
## ADJOURNMENT

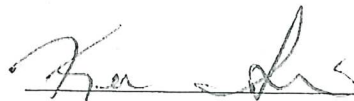
The next meeting will be on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.

Motion by Connaught Cullen at 7:19, Dylan Shee seconded. AIF

**APPROVED BY COUNCIL**

**RECORDED BY**





Connaught Cullen, President of Council

Kevin Simons, Fiscal Officer