VILLAGE OF MOSCOW REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

August 1, 2022

Regular Council meeting called to order, pledge of allegiance at 6:00pm by Mayor Suter, with roll call by Bill Gilpin

English - Present Nichols - Present Roark – Present

Turner - Present Gorth - Present Caudill - Present

Mayor Suter – Present Alan Ausman, Village Administrator - Present

### Bill Gilpin, Fiscal Officer –Present Emily Supinger, Solicitor –Present

Also present – Dennis Cooper, Joe DaGiau, Julie Hawkins, Jim Haas, Mickey Hanselman

\*Motion to accept the minutes of the July 5, 2022 tax budget hearing and council meeting by English, seconded by Nichols

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

\*Motion to pay bills by Gorth, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

Washington Township Trustee Dennis Cooper reported that a real estate company representing someone who may be interested in the Zimmer Plant is having a meeting on August 10 to discuss the possibilities; copies of the new local government formula approved by the county commissioners were passed out to mayor and council; introduced Jim Haas as the new township fire chief; asked if petitions to dissolve the village had again been received. Mayor Suter noted that petitions were turned in today to the board of elections to vote on dissolving the village.

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**  Alan Ausman reports:

* **Maintenance:** Rick and Steve have been helping greatly with mowing; HVAC pump replaced in post office; tires for backhoe and zero turn installed; batteries for the solar bees arrived and one installed; river bank has been sprayed twice; slide from Gametime is due in this month
* **Zoning:** Permit issued for a fence
* **Administrative:** July 3 event went well; river sweep was fun and well attended; community center use has slowed during summer; all 3 construction projects are finished with some retainage being held on Roberts Paving; reimbursements for grant projects is being applied for; county building department is working on adjudication for 314 Third Street now that the construction permit has expired

Phil Turner asked how much more river wall is left to repair. Mayor Suter said approximately 900 feet remain that needs to be repaired. Phil Turner asked if the village should consider hiring someone to apply for a large grant that would procure enough money to complete the project all at once to help preserve the riverbank.

Mickey Hanselman asked if a sign could be installed banning fishing from the boat dock. Mayor Suter asked Alan Ausman to find the existing sign and install it on the dock.

Phil Turner asked Chief Haas if the addresses on Water Street could be better identified in the 911 system. Chief Haas reported that the department uses a different software that better identifies those addresses so it is not an issue for them, just the sheriff’s office.

**FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:**  Bill Gilpin reports:

Reported that the 2023 tax budget has been submitted to the county auditor; the final installment of the ARPA funds has been received; the local government formula proposed by the townships has been approved by the county commissioners; reminder that the September meeting will be on Tuesday the 6th.

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**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:** Emily Supinger reports:

Reported that the two pieces of legislation are for the OneOhio program; the village has completed all paperwork to date but has been excluded from the initial distribution of funds; need to pass the legislation in case the village is eligible for future distributions; asked for an executive session near the end of the meeting.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** Mayor Suter reports:

Reported that the village sign near the power plant has been vandalized and asked Alan to repair it; a homeless person was in the park and asked that anyone seeing something like that call 911 and not put themselves at risk attempting to deal with them personally.

**READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION 2022-18 – A RESOLUTION APPOINTING INITIAL REGION 14 REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ONEOHIO RECOVERY FOUNDATION, INC. BOARD

\*Motion to waive the readings of Resolution 2022-18 by Caudill, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

\*Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-18 by Gorth, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill - yea MC

RESOLUTION 2022-19 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN REGION 14 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE UNDER THE ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

\*Motion to waive the readings of Resolution 2022-19 by Gorth, seconded by Nichols

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

\*Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-19 by English, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Cindy Gorth asked that a dead tree in the park be removed; also asked that the water be turned on in the park for the ice cream social and the tables be cleaned prior to the event.

Todd English noted that there have been several water main breaks in the village recently; Mayor Suter noted that the water mains in the village are getting old.

Phil Turner noted that he has weeds growing instead of grass in his lawn where the construction took place.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Joe DaGiau noted that there are properties near him that have tall grass. Alan Ausman will send letters to them. Joe DaGiau also asked if the village would consider sending information packets to new residents when they move into the village.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

Mickey Hanselman reported still having issues with atv’s running illegally in the village and asked if video surveillance is sufficient to be ticketed; also noted that firearms are being used on the Carmeuse property again.

Todd English noted that he too has been confronting drivers that are driving fast up and down the streets. There was a brief discussion on installing temporary speed bumps.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

\*Motion to enter into executive session at 7:11pm pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)3 to discuss pending or imminent litigation with the solicitor by Gorth, seconded by Caudill

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth - yea Caudill - yea MC

**REGULAR SESSION:**

The meeting returned to regular session at 7:39pm with roll call:

English - Present Nichols - Present Roark – Present

Turner - Present Gorth - Present Caudill – Present

\*Motion to authorize the village solicitor to file objections to the certification of a petition to surrender the corporate powers of the village of Moscow with the Board of Elections and initiate litigation to prevent the certification of the petition with the Ohio Supreme Court by Turner, seconded by Gorth

English – yea Nichols – yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill – yea MC

\*Motion to adjourn at 7:40pm made by Gorth, seconded by English

English – yea Nichols -yea Roark - yea

Turner - yea Gorth – yea Caudill - yea MC

APPROVED BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TIM SUTER, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

BILL GILPIN, FISCAL OFFICER