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The Council convened at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Office. Mayor Jim Nelson called the Council session to order with the following members present:

<u>COUNCIL</u>: Jim Nelson, Mark Wicker, Elaine McFarland, Chery Friend, Dean Moiser, David Lockhart, Jim Detter, Jesse Mann.

Guest: Liz Barker, Scott Santos, Jan Silva Sanchez, John Davis, Scott Santos, Mic Luikart, Randy Ford and Mike Rarick

This meetings recording was accidently deleted so not everything is listed per the recording. These minutes are typed per the Fiscal Officer's meeting notes.

The audience and council were reminded to silence all cell phones. The audience was informed that they were to state their names any time they wanted to talk during the community comments and requests section of the meeting or at any other time during the meeting.

Council was reminded to state their names when making a motion and when they seconded the motion. The person making the motion would write the motion down so it could be read again prior to a vote and then the written motion would be given to the Fiscal Officer for the record.

MINUTES

Cheryl Friend made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for June 7 2022. Elaine McFarland seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter - yes. Motion passed 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Mitch Resard has resigned from the zoning officer. His position is now open if anyone knows of anyone that would be interested. Renee will advertise in the newsletter.

John Davis spoke of the police levy that failed twice. Does council have the responsible to do what the residents voted against? Jesse explained to John that the levy was for levy funds, not to get rid of the police department. John indicated Marengo, Waldo and Prospect do not have a police department. Why do we need a police department? Those towns are perfectly happy with the set up they have with the sheriff. John ask Mayor Nelson if he met with the sheriff and how did that meeting go? Jim indicated that he and Mr. Moiser met with the sheriff a week ago Monday. Mr. Martin indicated that Galena and Ostrander do not have police departments. Jim ask him how they do their patrolling. They come thru the village 4 times a day. If they are called into the village they come pretty quickly. Jim ask about orange twp. They have 45,000 residents. They offer extra patrols to cover the number of residents. They did not want their own police department due to the cost. Jim said for extra officers it would cost us \$170,00. A resident ask hat if we didn't want any officers to be stationed here how much would it cost? There would be no cost to the village if we just had them do their patrols thru the village and respond to 911 calls. They indicated to us that they would be happy to come up and talk to council. John Davis indicated he would like to have the sheriff come up and see what he can do for us without it costing us more money. John Davis also requested a list of the junk motor vehicles that have been removed. Scott indicated that he would get this list together. John talked about Mileys and the junk cars on his property. Cheryl indicated he is not in violation because it is his business. Dave Lockhart indicated that yes the levy failed twice. We are working towards a solution. It does not happen overnight. Dave indicated he would like to know what the others have to say about the police department that did not vote. John indicated that those people should have went up and voted and to stop crying about it. Jan has mentioned that we have talked about this subject at the last 3 meetings and have wasted a lot of time. Get you facts from the sheriff department, get a town meeting scheduled. How many more council meetings do we have to talk about

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this subject? Jim Detter ask Jesse what are the steps we need to take. Jesse indicated we had a town meeting in the past. Do we need to do that again? Have things changed that much we need to do it again? YES things have changed over the past 10 years. Jim Detter indicated that he made a motion. Jim Nelson indicated that we are still in the discussion stage and Jim Detter indicated he doesn't care, he made the motion. Jan indicated that she has another issue. Jim Detter you think you rule this meeting. Jan is sick and tired of him yelling and talking over everyone. Jim indicated he will talk however he wants. Jim stated we need to continue. Jan said yes because you don't like what I have to say. Cheryl said we need to call the sheriff and schedule a meeting. Jim Nelson indicated he would check the availability of the sheriff for next council meeting, August 2, 2022. Renee suggested we have a special council meeting sometime in August then more people would see it in the newsletter. If we do it at the next meeting, a lot of people will not get the newsletter in time.

FISCAL OFFICER

Renee explained a few things to Jim Detter on the Cash Summary report.

Cheryl Friend approved the bank rec for May, 2022 and Jim Detter seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter - yes. Motion passed 6-0.

Renee indicated that on our Clean up Day on July 11, 2022 we took 3.67 tons of tires out of the village.

POLICE - Scott went over the police report for June. Scott indicated there was a chase for a felony warrant. Scott lost him in the woods. He called in the sheriff where they brought in the K9 unit and he was caught. There was a natural death in the village. Junk motor vehicle on West High. He spoke to his wife and she wants them gone too. Jim indicated that this is the 3rd month we have talked about their junk cars. Scott indicated they did not pick up their certified mail so he hand delivered. Jim asked if we have to wait another 30 days and Scott indicated yes. When will that 30 days be up? Aug. 17th. But Scott indicated that as long as they are making an effort to fix the cars up or something we will waive the citation. Mike Rarick ask what Cardington does about their junk motor vehicles because you do not see junk cars in their town. Cheryl ask what their ordinance? Let's make a note and call up to Cardington to see their ordinance. Scott also stated he is working on Shonk's junk cars. Someone was passing counterfeit \$20 bills at the yard sales. Cheryl had a question since the vine street property is going to be forfeiting to the state. Jesse talked about land bank legal stuff.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/GRANTS – OHM working on grants for our future projects. There was a discussion on the paving project. Jesse offered to call Sean on the status of the ad for the gazette.

PERSONNEL – Dean indicated that Haley's last day was June 30th. Rae Jean is filling in until we can get the right person in the position. We had 13 applications received. We have a few that we are interested in.

Randy is here and wants to come back on limited restrictions. Cheryl indicated that she was glad he came in because she seen there was an issue with reading water meters. Jim Detter made a motion to go into executive secession to discuss Randy's situation. It was seconded by David Lockhart. It was suggested to wait till the end of the meeting to go into executive session.

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<u>PARKS & RECS</u> – Pool is open. White Lily had rented the pool for a pool party. There were approximately 40 people there. Everything seems to be going ok, better than last year.

<u>SAFETY STREETS & ALLEYS</u> – We have an issue with some fire hydrants that has been brought up from a couple of residents. The hydrants are marked out of order. The EPA requires 20 psi and we checked the hydrants and they were 45 psi. Cheryl ask the Fire chief how many we have out of order. This has been an issue for a while. The majority of the hydrants that are out of order are on the East side of town. The 12" line that OHM wants to put in is not going to help the pressure, it is going to increase the volume. Jesse suggested we get the equipment from someone and check these hydrants. Cheryl will send the list to Jesse tomorrow.

NEWSLETTER – Nothing to report

We need a volunteer to attend the Regional Planning Meeting on July 28, 2022. Jesse volunteered to attend.

TJ gave us an update. TJ wanted to ask if we have heard from the insurance company. Mike's Roofing has not been out to look at the roof due to the storm he is behind.

Resolution 2022-010 – Resolution to Proceed - Cemetery

Dave Lockhart moved to suspend the rules, Elaine McFarland seconded.

Roll Call: Mark Wicker – yes, Elaine McFarland – yes, Cheryl Friend – yes, Dean Mosier – yes, David Lockhart – yes, Jim Detter - yes. Motion passed 6-0.

Cheryl Friend moved to declare an emergency Mark Wicker seconded.

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Jim Deter moved to adopt, Elaine McFarland seconded

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Resolution 2022-011 – Resolution to Proceed – Roads

Motion to amend to change the date to July 5th on the resolution – Jim Deter made the motion, Mark Wicker seconded.

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Jim ask Randy when does he go back to the Distated to Randy to get this list for his review.	r. Randy indicated he was going back on July 7 th . Jim
Jim Detter made motion to pay the bills, Mark	Wicker seconded.
Cheryl Friend made the motion to adjourn unti	il August 2, 2022, Dave Lockhart seconded.
Jim Nelson, Mayor	Renee Rarick