Minutes for the July 17, 2023 Council Meeting

1 Roll Call

McKelvey - Here Yarnall - Here Tickhill - Here Johnson - Absent Hill - Here McCort - Here

2 Minutes

a. Mr. Yarnall moved, seconded by Mr. Tickhill to approve the minutes from Council Meeting on July 3, 2023.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye McCort- Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

3 Finance-Contract-Ordinance

a. Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to approve the payment listing in the amount of \$76,417.66.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye McCort- Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

b. Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to approve the June 2023 Financials & Bank Reconciliation.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye McCort- Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

c. Adam Myser Village Solicitor explained Resolution #3938-Replacement Fire Levy to be put on the ballot in November, 2023.

 $Mr.\ Tickhill\ moved, seconded\ by\ Mr.\ Hill\ to\ approve\ Resolution\ \#3938,\ Replacement\ Fire\ Levy.$

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye McCort- Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

d. Mr. Myser explained Resolution #3939-A Resolution declaring it necessary that a tax be levied in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of the Police Department at a rate of 1.5 mill. Mr. Myser stated it was stage one and if passed, it would be sent to the County Auditor to be certified. Councilman Brian Yarnall expressed his concerns about the levy being used for pay increases for Police Officers, also stated he supports the Police 125%. Chief Sirianni stated it would be used to increase the pay scale for all full-time Officers by \$5 per hour and Dispatchers by \$2 per hour, and part-time Officers as well. A discussion was held regarding the timing of the levy and Warren Township's involvement.

Mr. Tickhill moved, seconded by Mr. McKelvey to approve Resolution #3939-Police Levy.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - No Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - No McCort- Aye

Motion carried 3-2-1

d. Jeannie Hannahs Fiscal Officer discussed the HealthPlan insurance renewal with Council.

4 Street-Alley-Sidewalk

a. A concerned Citizen expressed his concerns about the speed limit and loud vehicles on Gardner Street as well as the lack of patrol.

5 Safety

a. Chief Hall informed Council that he found a 2012 ladder truck in Wintersville with 5800 miles on it in new condition for \$600,000. He stated it would not be available until February or March of next year when Winterville's new one comes in. Chief Hall asked Council to front the money and the Fire Department would pay it back with the Fire Levy proceeds as they have in the past. Chief Hall stated he will sell the old one. An agreement for the purchase with Wintersville and the down payment will be discussed further at the next Council Meeting.

Mr. Hill moved to proceed with the purchase of the ladder truck, seconded by Mr. Yarnall.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye McCort- Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

- b. Chief Hall commended the Fire & EMS Personnel for their quick response and knowledge on a recent accident.
- c. Chief Hall "Thanked" Mayor Bunting and Jake Hershberger for attending former Fire Chief Bob Smith's Memorial Service.
- d. Chief Sirianni presented Council with the Police Department's Report Summary for June 2023.
- e. Chief Sirianni informed Council that they will be enforcing the two-hour parking, new signs were recently put up.

6 Parks and Recreation

a. Councilman Tim McKelvey informed Council that during the Independence Day Celebration at the Park that Ohio Valley Shed brought a building to the Park by the tennis courts to store the pickleball and tennis equipment for the tournaments. The building sells for \$7200, but if we leave the banner on it for advertisement for two years for the Company, we can get it for \$4000. Mr. McKelvey stated the Friends of the Park will donate \$1,000 toward the purchase.

Mr. McKelvey moved to buy the building, seconded by Mr. Hill.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye McCort- Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

7 Cemetery

8 Water and Sewer

- a. Mr. Deal gave Council an update on the Slope Creek Waterline Project.
- b. Mr. Yarnall asked for an update on the State Route 800 Waterline break.
- c. Councilman Steven Hill made mention of the issue with the water bills getting lost by the Post Office. He suggested possibly emailing the bills.

9 Land & Buildings

- a. Village of Barnesville 106 N. Chestnut Street Demo Building
- b. Village of Barnesville 108 N. Chestnut Street Demo Building
- c. Village of Barnesville 112 N. Chestnut Street Demo Building

Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. McKelvey to approve the building permits.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - No

Motion carried 3-2-1

d. Rumer Loudin, Inc. - 821 E. Main Street - New Daycare Center Building e. Suiren Huang - 201 S. Chestnut Street - New Roof over Entrance

Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to approve the building permits.

McKelvey - Aye

Johnson - Absent Yarnall - Ave Tickhill - Ave

Tickhill - Ave

Hill - Aye

Hill - No

McCort - Aye

McCort - Ave

Motion carried 5-0-1

10 Old Business

a. Mr. Hill questioned why we are doing the demos on North Chestnut Street and shared his concerns. Councilman Terry McCort commented that we have the opportunity for two brand new million dollar structures and in my opinion it's progress.

Johnson - Absent

- b. Mr. McCort mentioned providing a low or zero percent interest loan to downtown businesses for improvements.
- c. Mr. Hill asked Mr. Myser his thoughts about the letter the Village received from Mr. Shaheen regarding the demos.
- Mr. Myser stated he spoke with Mr. Shaheen and He was simply interested as an adjacent business owner and wanted to be kept up to speed on the Project.
- d. Mr. Yarnall questioned if a building permit was required for a project on Railroad Street.
- e. Mr. Yarnall asked for an update on the North Chestnut Property beside Dr. Huff, the former Jones property.

a. Greg Wehr presented Council with a packet regarding the LifeWise Academy. LifeWise Academy is a Released Time Religious Instruction Program which exists to reach students in public schools with the gospel. Students can be released from public school during the school day to attend religious classes, provided the program is off school property, privately funded and parent permitted. LifeWise Academy will start with the Elementary School, grades 1-4. Mr. Wehr can be contacted at (740) 298-0237 for any questions, donations, or involvement. Council "Thanked" Mr. Wehr for his presentation and expressed their support.

12 Executive Session

a. Executive Session for possible sale of property.

Mr. McKelvey moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to enter Executive Session at 8:07 pm.

McKelvey - Aye Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Absent Hill - Aye

McCort - Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

b. Mayor Dale Bunting returned Council to Regular Session at 8:15 pm.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnali - Aye

Tickhill - Aye

Johnson - Absent

Hill- Aye

McCort - Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

13 Adjournment

a. Mr. McCort made a motion to Adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hill at 8:16 pm.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnall - Aye

Tickhill - Aye

Johnson - Absent

McCort - Aye

Motion carried 5-0-1

ie Hannahs, Fiscal Officer

Dale Bunting, Mayor