Village of New Madison

Council Meeting June 27, 2022 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Schlechty. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present for the meeting were Gail Farmer, Jim Lawrence, Karl King, Chad Begoon, Solicitor Michael Rieman, Chris Homan Absent: Lexie Cook and Tami Bruner

Visitors: Mike Johnson, Ellis Bates, Mike Bowers, Lori Godown, Howard Schaefer, Brian Anderson, Haedon Schlechty

Ellis Bates addressed concerns with property maintenance in his neighborhood. Mayor Schlechty responded letters would be going out to property owners.

4th of July Committee handed out the schedule of events, addressed security, no parking signs and areas of parking available.

Mike Johnson addressed concern over bulk water and asked is it being paid for? As a resident he pays monthly and doesn't want to feel people are taking water when the residents pay.

Brian Anderson informed about the Where's Waldo and Where's Brian contest.

Headeon Schlechty handed out information on upcoming Night @ the Races at Schlechty's Sports Bar & Grill on August 6th benefitting Tri-Village Athletic Department. Schlechty is requesting closing W. Washington Street from 6-11 p.m. on August 6th. Anderson wants to make sure they do not close off the exit from his parking lot. Begoon motioned to close W. Washington Street on August 6th from 6-11 p.m. allowing access to the grocery exit; second by Farmer. Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, King, Begoon Motion passed

Mike Bowers informed council he will be meeting with EGI on Thursday, June 30th.

Begoon motioned to accept the minutes for the May 16th meeting; second by King. Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, King, Begoon Motion passed

Lawrence motioned to accept the cash summary by fund, appropriations payment register, revenue receipt register and May 2022 bank reconciliation; second by King.

Yea – Farmer, Lawrence, King, Begoon,

Motion passed

Mayor's Report:

Parks & Recreation: Safety & Security: Sewage, Sanitation & Water: Streets & Infrastructures: Complaint received of trees obstructing view at intersection of Stephens Rd. & W. Washington St. Mayor Schlechty will send letter to resident. Growth, Development, Zoning & Annexation: Finance, Audit & Economic Development: Personnel: Cemetery: Fire Department: Rescue Squad:

Fiscal Officer Report: Wastewater Levy expires in 2035. Village will be responsible for approximately \$315,000.00 from 2036-2044 to pay off loan on original wastewater plant.

Unfinished Business:

Guidelines for Veteran's Banners/Brackets: Begoon and Bruner will contact Mr. Baker from Arcanum. Dedication of banners during 4th of July parade.

Bulk water rate and tap-in fees: Committee met to discuss increase in rates on June 27th. Farmer recommends Ohio Rural Water – Kurtis Strickland and Wayne Cannon evaluate New Madison rates. Mayor Schlechty has stopped all bulk water only allowing for emergencies.

New Business:

2023 Budget – Resolution 22-08: First reading

Hometown Cable: Arcanum Village Administrator Bill Kessler is going to work with Schlechty on removing Hometown Cable from New Madison. Schlechty has contacted Sky Mesh – they offered the village free service to wastewater plant.

Vacant property registration: Council received legislation passed by Sidney and asked members to read over and will address at the next meeting. If village mows a property in town the owner will be invoiced \$350.00 for each mowing and if not paid will be accessed to real estate taxes.

Garage Sale Permits: Council received original legislation passed in 1993 for garage sales. Schlechty asked members to read and address any changes at the next meeting.

Lawrence motioned to adjourn at 7:03 p.m.; second by Farmer. Meeting adjourned

Next meeting is Monday, July 18th at 6:00 p.m.