

MINUTES
MAGNOLIA VILLAGE COUNCIL
MAY 15, 2024 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of Magnolia Village Council was called to order at the Village Hall on May 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Travis Boyd. Council members present were Grant Downes, Kurt Stanley, Jim Miller, Claudia Rogers, Scott Noble, and Eric White. Also present were former Mayor Bob Leach, Megan Boyd Klinger, Jim Mook, Jim Hunter, Joe Wigfield *and others residents including some from Minerva Rd.*, Chief Chad Schlimm, and Penny Rainsberger.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS: Ms. Megan Boyd Klinger wanted to update the Council on behalf of the Historical Society's progress regarding the Vince Costello Memorial Complex and the sculptures. Ms. Boyd Klinger stated one display, which is a 2D version, will be placed near the Fire Dept, 6' in front of the playground fence. The display will be placed into the ground at a 45 degree angle with 2 brick walls and an engraved plate to describe it. The walls will be in the similar style as the school posts. The 3D version sculpture will be placed near the bandstand area; at the corner of Basin / Rt. 183. There is an existing small light pole, which is only used during the Canal Day Festival, but this would be an ideal location. Also, the existing electric line could then be used to light the sculpture. The sculpture could be seen from the road but is back far enough to be protected. This sculpture will be placed on a pedestal, size to be determined. Scott Noble made a motion to remove the pole so the display can be placed there with Eric White seconding. All Ayes. Eric White stated that he will contact Spencer Electric regarding removing the pole. Ms. Boyd also informed Council that after the displays are in place, their next project will be to update the ball fields signage into something more uniform.

Mr. Jim Mook asked if a stop sign could be placed at either Lynwood or Cline streets to slow traffic coming into town from Morges. Council was in agreement and Chief Schlimm will check into the procedure needed to add a stop sign.

MINUTES: Kurt Stanley made a motion to accept the April 17, 2024 minutes as presented which was seconded by Eric White. All Ayes.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORTS: Grant Downes made a motion to accept the Fiscal Officer's report as presented, which was seconded by Jim Miller. All Ayes.

ACTION ON BILLS: Grant Downes made a motion to pay the bills as presented, which was seconded by Claudia Rogers. All Ayes.

VILLAGE WORK REPORT: Mayor Boyd reports that a village laborer has been hired. Mr. Shawn Darr will work approximately 20-25 hrs a week starting May 29. Jim Miller made a motion to hire Mr. Shawn Darr as a laborer at \$14.50 per hour with Claudia Rogers seconding. All Ayes. Previous employee, Mat Hawk, may also work up to 10 hrs in the evenings and on weekends, as needed. If more help is needed, we will look into additional part time help.

ADDITIONS TO BUSINESS: n/a

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: n/a

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NEW BUSINESS: n/a

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS: Eric White reports Advance Power Wash cleaned the wall in front of the Village Hall. Eric now will be checking to see what wall repairs may need done and options for those.

Eric stated the Trussel Bldg roof is leaking. He will check on getting possible repairs.

Eric states that parking at the ball fields so far has been ok with a couple of cases of improper parking. Jim Miller asked about options for pickleball courts on the current tennis court. Scott Noble states he knows they make portable nets that could be used and moved as needed. He will get more information for Council.

SAFETY: Grant Downes advised everyone the monthly safety report from the Police Dept. is attached.

Chief Schlimm completed another speed survey; this time on Minerva Rd and Levee Circle. 336 vehicles were clocked in the 35 mph zone. 128 vehicles were under 35 mph, 148 were between 35-40 mph and 60 were 40-45 mph. Once the patrol car was spotted, drivers slowed down. This also shows the volume of traffic is higher than N Main & Morges, which was last months survey.

Chief Schlimm reports that an anonymous social media post was made on Crimewatch. The poster said a call to police was made and there was "4 hours with no response". This call had gone to the Sheriff's dept as we had no available officers at that time. Chief checked the CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) System for this call. This system records all pertinent info for every call. The system shows that the elapsed time from placing the call to conclusion was 1 ½ hrs. Since the commenter was anonymous, there is unfortunately no way for the Village to follow up.

Chief Schlimm reports that Lt. Alexander completed a moving violation stop. Driver was found to be driving on a suspended license and in a search incident to the arrest, the adult male was found to be in possession of a possible illegal substance. Item was sent for testing and confirmed it to be illegal. The Carroll County Prosecutors Office will handle these additional charges.

Chief Schlimm continues the process of cleaning up junk vehicles.

Chief Schlimm reports that Car 1 is due to an oil change and tire rotation. He asked where we should obtain service since Sarchione Ford is no longer in business. Council suggests using Ruegg Brothers Automotive in Waynesburg for service.

CEMETERY REPORT: Claudia Rogers reported income of \$0.00 for the month of April 2024. Claudia pointed out that Caleb will be putting down mulch at the cemetery prior to the Memorial Day service. If time permits, he will also do the Village Hall. Claudia also reported that Mike Rogers has put up the new American flags at the Village Hall and the cemetery.

Claudia Rogers asked if the Beauty Fund has any restrictions/guidelines for use. Claudia pointed out the visitor chairs in the meeting room are in need of replacing. That will be looked at.

UTILITIES: Kurt Stanley report there are 2 poles (1 is split) and 1 light that need replaced. They have been reported and AEP states they should be fixed within a week.

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FINANCE: Jim Miller states the Stark County rollback has not yet been received. Once that is entered he will have better information regarding finances. Jim asked that Council make a list of any projects for 2024. Jim states the first billing for the engineers, Quicksall, has arrived for \$34,009.92

STREETS AND ALLEYS: Scott Noble reports that he is still awaiting proposals from the paving companies, Perrin, Milhoan and Superior.

Eric White reported that he, John Petro, his sons, Ben and Nick, and wife Amy helped remove the snowflake decorations from the poles. Mayor Boyd also assisted. They did this process with ladders instead of a lift, as it was a much faster process. A Thank You for their work will be sent.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Atty. L'Hommedieu asked if there are any levies that may be expiring soon. Penny Rainsberger will check with Mr. Jon Oates of the Stark County Auditor's office. Atty. L'Hommedieu explained the next steps regarding residents that are not following the ordinance regarding chickens. Atty L'Hommedieu will prepare a letter to the residents stating they have 20 days to appeal to the zoning board asking for variance or removal. On day 21 fines can start accumulating. After that time, injunction paperwork can be filed with the Common Pleas Court. The Court can order removal and order the fines be paid. If the resident continues to not comply, they could be placed in contempt of court which could lead to possible jail time.

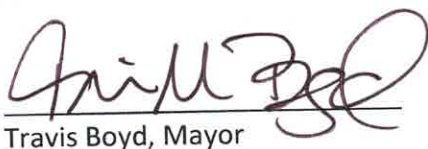
CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES: n/a


MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Boyd reports the process of getting 3 bids to possibly get a grant from Stark County for codification of village ordinances is still ongoing as he awaits replies. The Mayor continues to work on finding the best financing option with the Bank of Magnolia for the sidewalk project. Mayor Boyd states one option is 90 day one time note which would then be combined with the next note as needed. The option for a line of credit is also available. The Bank of Magnolia is offering an interest rate of 1.5% under prime, which currently 7%. Jim Miller made a motion to allow the Mayor sign an agreement for financing up to \$125,000.00. Grant Downes seconded. All Ayes.

Mayor states that unfortunately due to scheduling issues, Reilly Sweeping will be unable to clean our roads prior to Memorial Day. An effort will be made to make sure they are done prior to Canal Days. Mayor Boyd informed Council the Graduation Parade will be Sun May 19th at 5:00 p.m., starting at the Methodist church.

Mayor Boyd states that he has not yet been informed about the Memorial Day activities as of yet.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn the Regular meeting at 9:05 p.m. was made by Jim Miller with Kurt Stanley seconding. All Ayes.


Travis Boyd, Mayor


Penny Rainsberger, Fiscal Officer