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COUNCIL MEETING

The Village Council of Haskins met at the townhall.

- A. Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order at 7PM with the Pledge of Allegiance recited the meeting was called to order with roll call taken, the council met at 7PM for the legal public hearing to consider a lot split and the combination of the lot into one parcel as recommended by the Planning commission. Mayor Thompson read the Parcel number and ordinance that is on the council agenda for its first reading this evening. There was no one in attendance for this legal hearing. Council looked at the prepared documents to include the legal deception survey of the lots that will be split and combined. It was noted that if this is approved the property owner will have to install sidewalks the width of the property. The area beyond may be developed with houses perhaps allowing the sidewalk to continue when this is developed so the home can tie into was suggested. Also asked about was that the road does not extend past the property and if this was a zoning violation with no other input, Bonnough moved Prehn 2nd to send this ordinance to council and adjourn at 7:12PM and move into the regularly scheduled council meeting.
- B. Roll Call all here by roll call, council members present:

Mayor:

Nicholas Thompson

Clerk / Treasurer:

Lisa D. Heft Eric Prehn

President Pro Temp: Council Members:

Nancy Perry, Helen Bonnough, Spencer Elfring

Jason Vogelsong, Mary Wright

Absent

Mayor Thompson

Solicitor:

Paul Skaff Colby Carroll

Village

Administrator:

Police:

Chief Carroll

Visitors:

- C. Prehn moved Elfring 2nd to approve agenda all yes motion carried.
- D. Reports, communications, appointments, and confirmations, from the mayor, directors, of departments, and another village:
 - 1. Mayor Thompson received notice that Toledo Edison/First Energy cost will be going up. This will affect the village for the transmission line that is owned by First Energy.
- E. Reading and disposal of the journal of proceedings: Prehn moved Bonnough 2nd to approve the journal or proceedings for the regular council meeting held on July 1st 2024, all yes, motion carried,
- F. Village Administrator/Police: Mr. Carroll reported on the following topics:
 - 1. The street repaying that was approved earlier in the year came in slightly higher in cost at approximately \$81,000.00 dollars. Kingsbury and High Street will be completed this fall.
 - 2. The sidewalks in the village were assessed. Council will need to go through this list and decide what and how to proceed. The village does have sidewalks that need repair and those will be repaired or replaced soon. Notifications letters will go out for the property owners of the sidewalks

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that need repair. Making sure the village is consistent with this sidewalk work in the village. Mr. Carroll will look at if there is a standard guidance for sidewalks other then what is in the village zoning code.

- 3. The AMP conference will be coming up with village employees and officials attending. The village is still on track for the AMI meter project with using the remaining ARPA Funds for this metering.
- **4.** The part time patrol officer have been working their mandatory 8 hours per month.
- **5.** The Haskins Hustle 5 K is coming up with 43 registered runners.
- **6.** Mr. Carroll reported on the sidewalks in the downtown area, the village is waiting on survey of the drainage issue for this project.
- 7. Discussion on the post office took place. Right now, as it stands a modular (only option for a manned post office), PO Boxes or cluster boxes are the choices right now. The post office is pushing for cluster boxes with them taking up the entire back area to consist of 13 boxes to be bolted to the walls. There is no guarantee of a machine that will help with postage and mailing in this space as well. It is Mr. Carroll's suggestion to not have a room full of cluster boxes and to utilize let space with the PO boxes (Perhaps the boxes that were removed from the former Haskins post office). Mayor Thompson reported that he has walked the village and spoke to approximately 12 residents effected by no mail service. The consensus is they just want their mail. Mayor Thompson state that he and Mr. Carroll have been working diligently on this post office issue in the village. It was stated that the Post office will have to be decommissioned in the village to allow for boxes. Ms. Perry asked what does decommissioning mean to the village. Bonnough moved Wright 2nd to propose to the post office \$500.00 per month or \$300.00 per month with smaller space with post office boxes, majority yes with Ms. Perry voting NO, motion stands adopted. Ms. Perry asked what will they do addition do when it is constructed, it was stated that most new subdivisions will be using cluster boxes. Mr. Carroll reported there was sidewalk on Enright Drive by a piece of equipment cleaning the drainage pond. The Village has no control over this pond, it is not village property. The Seneca Builders punch list for this street is still not completed and now the broken sidewalk will be included. The swale and the pond were designed for a specific purpose with the swale being filled on by property owners. The Wood County Engineer and the EPA are aware of this however no will comment. This perhaps will be considered as a civil lawsuit amongst property owners if flooding continues to be an issue. The possible new housing development will have a required HOA.
- G. Public Presentations and Hearings:
- H. Old Business:

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- I. New Business:
- 1. Resolution R-2024-6(amending annual appropriation for 2024) 1st reading and declaring emergency Bonnough moved Prehn 2nd to suspend with Bonnough moving Prehn 2nd for the 1st reading, all yes on both motions, Resolution stands adopted.

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- 2. Resolution R2024-7 (approving split and combinations for certain parks or real estate located in the Village of Haskins) 1st reading. Bonnough moved, Prehn 2nd for the 1st reading of this by number and title all yes motion carried.
- 3. Resolution R-2024-8 (accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor) 1st reading. Bonnough moved Elfring 2nd for the 1st reading by number and title, all yes motion carried.

J. Committee Reports:

- **A. Finance and Audit:** Mr. Prehn reported on a committee meeting that was held this evening before council. This committee was presented a list of items that would like to be purchased in the coming years. This committee will hold off on budgeting for these projects until closer to the end of the year to see where the balances will more in line. With the possibility of a new housing development the village needs to look at the cost of tap fees as this amount has not been adjusted since the WWTP was built. Mr. Carroll will look into this to update fees.
- **B. Public Safety:** Mr. Carroll reported on the scheduling for the police department with the part time officers adhering to the minimum of 8 hours per month. When the part time officers choose their hours, it is not always covering the weekend shift for the village. It was again asked of the fulltime officers can adjust their hours and take a day off during week to cover a weekend shift. Currently Officer McConaha is working 4 ten-hour days to include every other weekend. Helen Bonnough asked of Mr. Carroll could do this weekend shift as well. Mary Wright stated she realizes Mr. Carroll does the staffing for the police department. Mr. Carroll stated that today he had no road officers on duty and he handled two calls. Mr. Carroll stated that if he has to come out of the office to patrol he will, however he will give do policing and not worry about administrator items in office. Mary Wright would like to see more coverage on weekends, that seems to be the issue, Ms. Wright feels Officer McConaha does a lot already.
- C. Streets and Utilities: Jason Vogelsong stated the next street repairs for Kingsbury an High Street. These street projects came in a little higher in cost. The Lusher Park drainage repair will begin soon. The smoke testing for the rest of the village will begin soon. The village still needs to make it repairs from the last smoke test. There are two residents that will need repair from the smoke testing that was completed last year. Mr. Vogelsong asked Ms. Bonnough about sidewalks, the village would like to stay consistent with sidewalk repairs and or replacement, following the village's zoning code. Ms. Bonnough feels the zoning code needs to be adhered to as there are still boats and campers being stored

D. Public Services:

E. Rules and Ordinances: Mayor Thompson stated that he has had residents coming to his house to complain that an elected official did not adhere to an Ordinance set forth by the village. The elected officials' jobs is to enforce the villages ordinances, if council does not agree with the ordinance then take the proper steps to make changes. Council members were confused and Mayor Thompson stated he will talk to the member one on one.

F. Facilities and Grounds:

K. Treasurer's Report (Cash Summary by fund, Fund Status, Payment Accounts, and Mayor's Court receipts, Bank moved to approve with all yes motion carried. Vogelsong moved Prehn 2nd to approve the payment of accounts from July 1st -August 1st 2024 all yes motion carried.

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L Miscellaneous business (discussion of matter of general interest, communications, petitions and claims.

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M. Visitors input for the good of the village: N. Upcoming Meeting and Important dates:

O. Adjournment: Bonnough moved Prehn 2nd to adjourn @ 8:45 PM

Lisa D. Heft Fiscal Officer

Nicholas Thompson Mayor