

VILLAGE OF HASKINS

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

March 4th 2024

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.

B. Roll Call all here by roll call, council members present:

Mayor: Nicholas Thompson

Clerk / Treasurer: Lisa D. Heft

President Pro Temp: Eric Prehn

Council Members: Nancy Perry, Helen Bonnough, Spencer Elfring
Jason Vogel song, Mary Wright

Absent

Solicitor: Paul Skaff

Village
Administrator: Colby Carroll

Police: Chief Carroll

Visitors: Mike Kahn, Hannah Elfring and Brian McConaha

Kane

Mayor Thompson administered the Oath of Office to Spencer Elfring, this appointment will fill the seat left by Mr. Thompson who is now Mayor.

C. Wright moved Vogel song 2nd to approve agenda all yes motion carried.

D. Reports, communications, appointments, and confirmations, from the mayor, directors, of departments, and another village.

1. Council person Mary Wright addressed council stating council knows she is very vocal on the Village's zoning code and having it strictly enforced. Ms. Wrights concerned with 2 permits that were recently administered, she feels violate the zoning code for the village. The permits issued to the Featzka property along with the Puffer property are in violation with the maximum height and square footage being violated. Ms. Wright feels there is no way to verify the height with Mr. Featzka's building and this this building is in an overlay district (509.5) which is in violation as well. **Section 702.1** concerning accessory buildings is in violation as well as there is a garage on the lot already and adding a building that is 500 sq. foot or no more that 10 percent of the lot, the Featzka building is 3200 sq. feet. The Puffer permit for a work shop is 800 square feet and also in violation of the **702.1** section of the zoning code. Ms. Wright feels the zoning inspector in the past has issued permits for illegal fencing and sometimes is in violation himself with his camper. Ms. Wright asked council what they can do. Mary Wright stated that when she and her husband were the zoning inspector for Haskins that the Featzka's were denied either verbally or by permit for this same type of building. Ms. Wright would like the Zoning Inspector to issue a stop work order for both of these buildings, Featzka and Puffer until the issues above are looked at. Mayor Thompson advised that he would like to hear from the Zoning Inspector who issued these permits and why they were approved. It was suggested that at the March 18th 2024 to give zoning inspector an opportunity to explain with Ms. Wright asking is this can be done in

VILLAGE OF HASKINS
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
March 4th 2024

executive session. It was agreed to have Special Council meeting at 7PM on March 11th 2024 after the Finance and Audit committee. Jason Vogelsong stated that 702 section that talks about home occupation may come into question with the buildings.

2. Council will hold their next council meeting on April 15th due to spring break.
3. Mayor Thompson stated that the last appointment to the council seat at the February 5th meeting was invalid due to the resident not being a registered voter in Wood County. The mayor made the decision to appoint Mr. Elfring as he was nominated in February as well.
4. The new radar speed sign report was given, there were over 6 thousand vehicles that passed over a 6-day span. Another sign is ordered and will be moved around the village.
5. Mr. Carroll gave an update on the post office situation in town. Mr. Carroll met with a representative of the post office, this person is assigned whenever the media gets involved. Discussion did take place on installing temporarily the PO Boxes in the back of the village hall. The village hall will need a commercial door and a sidewalk. The village is working on obtaining a quote for this work. This area would be an unmanned area however residents would be able to get their mail. It was stated that the village will not like of be happy with the modular and the way it looks. The village does have restrictions on modular buildings. Mayor Thompson stated the perhaps one day the village can build their own building if this is the route to go and utilize the back of building as a concession stand. Mr. Carroll stated that the Village of Bloomsdale and a subdivision in Bowling Green has joined in with the village for the pressing issue of obtaining mail delivery.

E. Reading and disposal of the journal of proceedings: Perry moved Prehn 2nd to approve the journal or proceedings for the 2024 council meeting, all yes motion carried.

F. Village Administrator/Police: Topics of discussion to include:

1. ODOT Safety Grant Crosswalks, these should install by the end of March/early April. The village needs sidewalk assessments town. The village will look into how to implement a sidewalk plan, to follow along with the village code.
2. AMI with data being sent to AMP on UFS updates and ordinances.
3. On February 22nd the village staff held a maintenance day, getting many things accomplished.

G. Public Presentations and Hearings:

H. Old Business:

1. **Resolution R-2024-2 (Authorizing the Sale of Village Property by Internet Auction) Wright moved Bonnough 2nd for the 3rd and final reading of this, all yes by voice roll call, Resolution stands adopted.**

I. New Business:

1. Mayor Thompson informed newly appointed council member Spencer Elfring what committee he will chair and be a member on. Mr. Elfring will chair Facilities and Grounds and by on Rules and Ordinance's along with the Finance Committee.

VILLAGE OF HASKINS
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
March 4th 2024

J. Committee Reports:

A. Finance and Audit: A meeting will be held on 3/11/2024. The clerk reported that the village will have a street levy up for renewal this year. Information was given on the renewal or replacement of the 2.5 Street levy expiring. This committee will look at this.

B. Public Safety: Newly hired Full Time Police Officer Brian McConaha introduced himself.

C. Streets and Utilities: Jason Vogel song updated council on a committee meeting that was held this evening before council. Discussion with ODOT in the past, ODOT would like the village to install a roundabout at state route 65/582. This would be at cost of a 10 percent match to the village. This committee is recommending to table this discussion right now as the village 10 percent match is very costly to the village. This committee also reviewed the recommended street project from a recent road assessment that was completed. The Street Levy funds were reviewed. **Vogel song moved, Bonnough 2nd to complete 2 road repairs, one in spring and one in fall not to exceed \$74,999.00 each project with payment coming from the Street levy, all yes, motion carried.** Mr. Carroll is still tracking the sidewalk on the West area of the downtown; this project is currently on the survey crews list. The smoke testing will also continue this spring.

D. Public Services: Mary Wright updated council on a committee meeting that was held this evening before council. Waste Management was in attendance for this meeting to discuss the trash contract that has expired. Currently the village has 385 homes in the village that are recyclers with the village paying \$3.45 per home for this service. The cost of this service will be going up to \$7.00 per home for recycling. The Village currently has 411 residents billed for trash. Waste Management will split the cost of recycling with the village paying half and Waste Management billing half for recycling. Waste Management stated that we are the only village that pays any cost toward recycling. The cost of trash pickup will increase as well, with a 4 percent increase every year. This contract will allow one tote plus 2 bags on the outside. The contract will be forthcoming and council will hold a meeting to approve. The contract for Renewed will continue this year.

E. Rules and Ordinances:

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. Vogel song moved Wright 2nd to approve the payment of accounts for 2/6-3/4/2024 with questions being asked on Renewed with the Fiscal Officer answering, all yes motion carried.

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

1. The upcoming dinner for the Wood County Economic Commission will have Mayor Thompson, Eric Prehn, Nancy Perry and Spencer Elfring attending.
2. The AMP conference will be changing their location this year.
3. Mayor Thompson received application for the 2024 Hero Award if anyone has someone they would like to nominate.

M. Visitors input for the good of the village:

1. Mike Kahn approached council concerning his concrete driveway approach falling apart. Maintenance had looked at this and stated this would not be repaired by the village. Mr. Kahn stated no one has gotten back to him on this,

VILLAGE OF HASKINS
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
March 4th 2024

however Mr. Carroll stated maintenance has talked with him twice before in the past. Mr. Kahn was told that the whole section would have to be cut out. Mr. Kahn asked if he could make this repair himself, Mr. Carroll told him he would not advise this. Mr. Kahn stated he was happy to see the ice rink and enjoyed watching people use it. Mr. Kahn stated he really enjoyed talking the Paige Burk, she will be missed. Mayor Thompson stated that when the village starts to repair streets, notifications will go out. Mr. Kahn also stated that he at times gets another residents mail, he wished they would notify when there is a new postal driver.

N. Upcoming Meeting and Important dates:

O. Adjournment: Bonnough moved Vogelsong 2nd to adjourn @ 8:20PM



Lisa D. Heft Fiscal Officer



Nicholas Thompson Mayor