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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 was recited.
Mayor Thompson recognized any active or former Military and thanked them for their service.

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 Eric Prehn
Solicitor: Paul Skaff
Colby Carroll
Village Administrator:

Police: Chief Carroll

Visitors: Carl and Shelby Carter, Deb and Al Masc sak, Sally and Chuck Polcyn, Jane Eilert, Paige Burke, Betty Christen, Jerry Frost, Matt Huffman, Cody Colebank, James Cordrey and Jeremy Harpel.

C. Perry moved Elfring to approve agenda all yes motion carried.

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

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E. Reading and disposal of the journal of proceedings: Vogel song moved Wright 2nd to approve the journal or proceedings for the regular council meeting held on August 6th 2024 , all yes, motion carried,

F. Village Administrator/Police: Mr. Carroll reported on the following topics:

1. AMI is currently still being worked on, meetings have been scheduled to discuss this project at the AMP Conference.
2. The village has begun working with an Advisor Team and Navigator for the Phase II of the Cyber Security project.
3. Mr. Haydel will be attending a conference at the end of the month, the new employee will not be attending, however training is ongoing.
4. The Amplex project is moving along.
5. The Feller & Finch survey is complete for the downtown sidewalk project, Mr. Carroll will reach out to the business owners concerning this project.
6. The 5K Haskins Hustle brought in almost \$1900.00, this money will be used for the future ball field behind the village hall.
7. Grants are still being looked at for funding projects in the village. The village was not awarded the CSX grant that was applied for though was encouraged to apply again. The Ferguson Group will continue to assist the village with grants. The police department was awarded a grant for body cameras.
8. The commercial door installation has begun at the village hall.

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9. PEP insurance company just did a safety walk through of the village. The insurance company is very happy with the status of this. Industry wide training will begin soon with the village insurance company.
10. Mayor Thomson and Mr. Carroll gave a brief update on the land purchase in Kingsbury that is in the process of happening. This is still in the early stages.
11. Mayor Thompson also updated on the Post office. Cluster boxes or PO Boxes (unmanned), or village owned land for a modular. There is no official word yet with the ideal option is PO Boxes located in the Village hall.

G. Public Presentations and Hearings:

H. Old Business:

1. **Resolution R2024-7 (approving split and combinations for certain parks or real estate located in the Village of Haskins 2nd reading.** Wright moved, Bonnough 2nd for the reading of this by number and title all yes motion carried.
2. **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) 2nd reading.** Bonnough moved Wright 2nd for the 2nd reading by number and title, all yes motion carried

I. New Business:

1. **Resolution R-2024-9 (contract to furnish Emergency Management between Wood County and the Village of Haskins)** Perry moved Bonnough 2nd for the 1st reading with Bonnough moving Wright 2nd to suspend the rules and pass this as an emergency, all yes on both motions Resolution stands adopted.
2. **Resolution R-2024-10 (adopting the Wood County Hazard Mitigation Plan)** Wright moved Elfring 2nd for the 1st reading with Wright moving Elfring 2nd to suspend the rules and pass as an emergency, it was noted that this was previously passed though the EMA would like the wording to be changed from approve to adopts, all yes on both motions Resolution stands adopted.
3. **Ordinance O-2023-4 (to approve the form and authorize the execution of the Blue Creek Wind Schedule with American Municipal Power, Inc. and taking of others actions in connection therewith, 1st reading.** Mr. Carroll explained that Mr. Skaff has reviewed this ordinance and has approved it as written. Council members asked questions about the up to 300 Kwh and the .3Meg Watts, Mr. Carroll explained this. Wright moved Bonnough 2nd for the 1st reading of this Ordinance, all yes motion carried.

J. Committee Reports:

A. Finance and Audit: Absent

B. Public Safety: Budget request for 2025 was emailed. This committee will meet on October 7th and 6:30 PM, topics of discussion are the COPS grant and policing items. The village council will be conducting a plan in case of emergency, this will allow training for the test kits that were given to each elected official.

C. Streets and Utilities: The West side sidewalk estimate in the downtown was completed. Mr. Vogel song will be attending the AMP conference. The village is still waiting on the

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final reporting for the smoke testing that was completed. Once this report is complete the village will discuss how to address the residential issues. The village will be fixing the manhole cover in Kingsbury. Mr. Carroll explained one storm drain issue that was discovered during smoke testing, a basketball size of flushable wipes that was stuck and needed to be cleared. The village will send out reminders of what SHOULD not be flushed in toilet (even if it states flushable). At the last meeting it was discussed that First Energy will be having a rate increase, this to include transmission lines. First Energy is getting out of the production side and is going to focus on the transmission side. The village electric has currently already hit its two peak days for high usage. The Kingsbury road project will begin soon, a notice will be sent out to give the residents notice not to park on the streets.

D. Public Services: Nothing to report.

E. Rules and Ordinances: This committee will meet on October 7th at 6PM, this will be to discuss golf carts and parking restrictions. Jason Vogelsong inquired about a plated street legal vehicle. The size of vehicles plated on the road including box and commercial, there are restrictions the village.

F. Facilities and Grounds: Spencer Elfring reported on a committee meeting that was held this evening before council. This committee will submit application for the Wood County Park District Grant. For the under \$5,000.00, basketball hoops for the town hall park, for the \$5-\$10,000.00 an ice rink and for the over \$10,000.00 this committee is looking to replace the town hall park equipment. It was reported that Game Time who installed the basketball hoops at Lusher Park installed them crooked, Mr. Carroll will reach out to this vendor. These basketball hoops were awarded by the Wood County Park Grant. Mr. Elfring is going to reach to Wood County Place as well to assist with information on playground equipment. This committee will meet on October 7th at 5:30PM to discuss grant options for economic development. Helen Bonnough asked for an update on the second exit/entrance out of Logan Meadows. Mr. Carroll did report that there is a possibility of the current developer for the potential Kingsbury expansion will look into the second entrance/exit.

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 Elfring 2nd to approve the payment of accounts from August 2nd – September 3rd 2024 with questions being asked the Ford Ranger purchase (this is for the WWTP). This truck will stay in the village, and 6326, all yes motion carried.

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

1. Mary Wright inquired about the new trees that were just planted in her neighborhood. Ms. Wright stated her neighbor has asked about gator bags and the watering of trees. Her neighbor is watering his tree however notices that others are not doing the same. Ms. Wright also asked about the tree debris that was taken down for the recent storm that occurred, the village will take of this debris. The village will also take care of the trimming of village trees when they become a hazard. Nancy Perry stated that is the village's responsibility to take care of a village owned tree, however Mr. Carroll stated that Mr. Skaff would not agree with this statement.
2. Al Mascsak approached council concerning a recent 911 call he had placed for his wife. Haskins police department was at his residences in less than one minute with Middleton Township in five minutes. Mr. Mascsak was very thankful for the quick response time with his wife doing great.

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L. Visitors input for the good of the village:

1. Jane Eilert also praised Haskins PD and Middleton Township. Ms. Eilert approached council concerning a village owned tree in front of her home. Ms. Eilert had photos of the flooding that occurs in front of her property. The village is currently looking at this issue with cameras and jet work to be completed. Mayor Thompson thanked residents for their kind word for PD, stating the goal over time is to have 24/7 coverage.
2. Discussion took place on the purchase of the land located near Kingsbury. Mr. Carroll stated there is a signed contract agreement to purchase this land with a set period of time to extend twice for 90 days each. The engineer of record for this development group is Feller & Finch, this is the firm that the Village utilizes as well. There are requirements that the developer must adhere to for building in the village, such as minimum square footage of an R-1 lot. Mr. Carroll knows there are visitors in audience this evening that are concerned however the pond in Kingsbury however the village does not have anything to do with the pond. Mr. Carroll did state this developer is big on green space, parks, pavilions and walking paths in any developments. These plans for the future deployment will go through to planning commission before anything building will take place. The current pond is owned by the landowner, it is not known if this pond will be part of the development. This pond could have more expensive houses around them, it is not up to the village to decide what the land owner will do with the pond. The village does not want the pond nor does Jason Vogelsong want see this pond landlocked. Paige Burk asked what the regulations are for ponds.
3. James Cordrey inquired about the sidewalks that have been recently done in the village. Mr. Cordrey stated the sidewalk in front of the Heft's home will flood and asked why it so high. Mr. Cordrey asked if Feller & Finch did the specs for the sidewalk and asked if the contractor took into consideration the road and the foundation of the two homes this sidewalk was constructed. Mr. Harpel addressed this question and stated that he took into consideration the flood plan, he installed a 4-inch drain tile to alleviate any possible flooding. Mr. Harpel stated the dirt that was brought in is at foundation level. Mr. Cordrey had concerns about the ADA pads that were placed as well. Mr. Cordrey stated he has poured many sidewalks and at one time has poured sidewalks for the City of Waterville. Mr. Cordrey stated the sidewalk in front of the village hall that was just completed looks rough and needs to be cut out or patched. Mr. Cordrey would like to be added to the bid list for projects that the village does with Mr. Carroll stating the village does not have to bid if the threshold is under a certain dollar amount. Mr. Carroll stated that any time anyone has a question, to please stop in and talk with him directly. Please sign up for the Nixle Alert that the village has.
4. Mr. Plycon stated that at a recent meeting the discussion took place if it is a requirement for cars to stop of the lights are flashing in the marked crosswalks. It was stated that cars are not stopping when the lights are flashing with cars being required to stop. They are new crosswalks with a grant obtained through ODOT.

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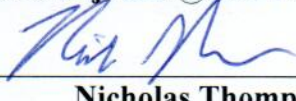
5. Mr. Mascsak inquired about the trees on Yorkshire and stated that there are Bradford Pears trees planted which now our considered an evasive species. Mr. Carroll explained the village's tree inventory that was completed by the tree commission that no longer has enough members to exist.

N. Upcoming Meeting and Important dates:

O. Adjournment: Bonnough moved Vogel song 2nd to adjourn @8:41 PM



Lisa D. Heft Fiscal Officer



Nicholas Thompson Mayor