## Village of Crooksville

## **Council Workshop Meeting**

## June 23, 2025

Mayor Mohler calls the meeting to order with the following council members present: Mr. Hampton, Mr. Locke, Mr. Redfern, and Ms. Smith. Mr. Loomis and Mr. Walters were absent. Courtney Edwards was also present. Lacey Tumblin was absent.

First up on the agenda, Trevor Miller and his brother Justin were present to discuss having a charity event at the Rec Center this Sunday. Walmart does a charity event for Children's Hospital. They wanted to know what the cost would be or if they could get a flat rate for the basketball tournament being held at the Rec Center. Mr. Hampton suggested that if we could do a flat rate cheap and then later if they would like to do another tournament and raise money for the Rec Center. They both were on board with that. Mr. Locke suggested that if they are going to do a tournament later for the Rec Center that he would be fine not charging a fee at all for either event. The council all agreed. Mr. Hampton also brought up to possibly get a pop/gatorade machine for the Rec Center.

Next up, Mrs. Edwards wanted to get two returning lifeguards, Konlan McIntire & Abby Shriver, and two new, Breonna Cosgrove & Kaden Watts, that will be certified by the weekend, all unofficially approved today. The council were all in agreement for them. They will be on the agenda for the next meeting to officially be approved.

Up next, Mrs. Edwards stated that RITA reached out to her that there are 4 accounts with outstanding balances totaling \$3,270.85. They gave three options on how to resolve this. 1. Let RITA file civil litigation on our behalf. 2. Hand over to Jan. They would no longer be billed by RITA and would be referred to us. 3. Do nothing. RITA would continue to bill the taxpayer. The council would like to know Jan's cost. Courtney will reach out to Jan regarding that.

Next, Mrs. Edwards stated the OPWC Grant is due September 5<sup>th</sup>. Grant is working on an updated cost for the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase China St Storm Water project. Last estimate was from 2018.

Next, Mayor Mohler stated that the paving grant was mostly approved. The streets this fall being paved will be N. State St, Baker St, Winter St will be milled and paved and the section of High St between Pine and Bennett St. Excluded from paving is North St from 93 to the dead end.

Mayor Mohler stated that we can apply for up to \$5000 grant through the Perry County Health Department for Community Clean-up after the flooding last week. Leckrone is offering buy 3 dumpsters and get 1 free. We could get 16 dumpsters for \$4800 and the other \$200 to purchase some gloves and trash bags. This would be a reimbursement. The application will be submitted Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. All of council was on board with this. We can place dumpsters around the village for residents to use with some restrictions.

Mrs. Edwards stated that Chief Wallace had reached out to her and said he has 2 people interested that have applied to the department. They are not certified yet but one is interested in going to the Fire Academy for EMT and Fire 2. Their backgrounds are good and he stated maybe they would be available for the next meeting. He also stated that they are gearing up for Community Days this weekend and the Pottery Festival. Mr. Redfern stated that council needs to decide on if we are going to pay for their training and then they turn around and leave. He stated that we have a big turn around with that.

Next up, Mr. Redfern stated that he went around and looked at the flood damage. He took pictures and suggested one thing we could do is to clean the creek out by the Legion. Mayor Mohler stated that around 2021-2022 that Darrell and Beth Lantz came to a meeting and their back yard had been flooded by that creek. At that time, Ben had measured Burley Run for grant money to clean it, but it was not long enough, and they stated it had to be a navigable water way to get a grant. Mr. Redfern states that there is a Reparian Ordinance that we can adopt. It states that you can not plant anything within so many feet to the creek so the water can flow properly.

Mayor Mohler states that the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Community Days Celebration is Saturday, June 28, 2025.

There will be no meeting on Monday, June 30th.

Without any further discussion, the meeting is adjourned.

Chris Mohler

Mayor

Courtney Edwards

Fiscal Officer