## Village of Crooksville

## **Council Workshop Meeting**

## August 25. 2025

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

First up on the agenda, Terry Hinkle from Larry's Tire Shop, was present to discuss the paving near his shop on Baker St alley. He states that the Village owns it (133ft x 15ft) and that he has taken care of it for 25 years and the Village has never put gravel down or taken care of it. He would like to know if the Village is going to take care of their share to finish that paving when they pave that area. Mr. Redfern states that we used to use income tax money to pave alleys, but he feels that the village needs to start setting back \$10,000 every year to be able to pave alleys. Mr. Hampton states that Mr. Redfern's suggestion is something they can talk about at an upcoming workshop meeting. The council agreed they would all agree to have that section paved and to vote on it Tuesday. (Monday is Labor Day and there is no meeting).

Next up, EMS members, Chelsea Simpson was present to introduce herself and would like to join our EMS department. She has her basic. She has been an EMT for 3 ½ years. Casey Cullison introduced herself next. She has been a paramedic for 2 years and an EMS for 5 years. She would like to join our EMS department as well. She is in Fire school right now also and stated that she will see where that takes her. She lives in Zanesville. They both stated they are open for availability. These individuals will be put on the agenda for an official vote at next weeks Council Meeting.

Next, Mrs. Tumblin passed out reports from the EPA. She stated that there were just a couple recommendations. First one being, reducing our water loss. Second, an inspection on the east tank. Third, more frequently checking the roofs and hatches on the tanks, and finally to do better with the valve exercises.

Next up. Mrs. Tumblin stated that she has a change order for the B1 station. She would like an unofficial approval for the electric upgrade. It will be run underground. Currently it is run overhead and is inadequate. It will be upgrading from a 200 amp to 400. It will be paid for by extra money that Heidi Milner has set aside for change orders. The council agreed, and it will be put on the agenda for official vote next week.

Next, Mrs. Tumblin stated that the meeting for the baby pool went well. She stated that we are looking to have it ready for summer of 2026.

Mrs. Tumblin stated that she got a quote from Willett for the block wall at the entrance to the park. It is more than she anticipated, and she will continue to look for other quotes and reevaluate it at a later date.

Mrs. Tumblin stated that herself and Mrs. Edwards rode out to South Park and the batting cages look horrible. She states there is no salvaging it. They suggested maybe gutting it out and adding a pickleball court. Mr. Redfern brought up a grant that he had looked into called Critical Infrastructure Grant through HAPCAP that he says we could apply for South Park to put in utilities that are needed there.

Without any further discussion, the meeting is adjourned.

Chris Mohler

Mayor

Courtney Edwards

**Fiscal Officer**