

Council Workshop Minutes Monday, May 13, 2019

Mayor Redfern called the meeting to order. Present were Chris Rice, Bill Hampton, Chris Mohler and John Loomis. Tom Collins was present. Scott Locke and Brittany Ross were absent.

1. First on the agenda was a Fund Summary Report that was updated at the end of the day with most transfers done and all bills paid.
2. Next item was to let Council know that Melissa Dennis will be attending the Certified Pool Operator Course on May 23rd.
3. Mayor Redfern informed Council that tomorrow morning at 7:30 am at Peach's Place there will be a meeting with the Commissioners. Council is welcome to attend this.
4. The Village applied for a grant for Industrial Drive Bridge through ARC and received \$169,300 for that project. This will not commence for a year or two but the grant goes through until 2022. The bridge may be done in 2021.
5. Next on the agenda was a review of the HAPCAP public hearing that was held on May 8th at the Rec Center. A couple council members were present, Billie, Bill, and John as well as the Mayor. Mayor Redfern give everyone a copy of their survey summary at the time and they discussed the top eight. They took suggestions from the public. A lot of the street issues were related to the water project including Buckeye, China, etc. Council discussed what streets were recognized as ones needing paved. The streets were at 96.6% with a close second being the ADA sidewalks at 96.5%. Those sidewalks discussed were on West side of China, Walnut Street, Buckeye Street and Industrial Drive. At number three and four were the flood drainage and storm drainage which they discussed together being that they are so similar. Demolition was number five on the list. Bill stated that this will most likely not get done with this grant and would probably best be progressed with a land bank as suggested by HAPCAP. Mayor Redfern stated that this will have to be reproached in a different manner. Next on the list was curbs and gutters followed by the Rec Center including the roof needing replaced as well as the sanitary drains for the restrooms as well as a couple other items from the public. Number eight was park and recreation specifically the pool changing rooms needing upgraded with more privacy. Repurposing the tennis court since it is not used that often and possibly making it a skate park, fixing the swings, upgrading the lights, etc. How the points would be awarded was discussed in further detail including public participation. Mayor Redfern explained how this project process would move forward in detail. He hopes to hear back this week from them to move forward and asked Council if they would like to add anything or take any away. HAPCAP will most likely come back and present their findings to Council at a later date.
6. The next item on the agenda was regarding Test IT app for broadband availability. Mayor Redfern explained that Perry County is behind on broadband and they give this brochure showing a free app you can get for your phone and anywhere you stop, they ask you to push the button to see if there is any broadband available within this app. Most places do not meet the minimum. This is to help collect more accurate data. This was discussed in further detail.
7. HAPCAP sent Mayor Redfern a handout regarding water bill assistance program that is income based eligibility. This goes from February 1, 2019 to September 30, 2019 and they will help with your water bill. The handout goes over the list of requirements.

8. The last item that Mayor Redfern has handed out was a correspondence from Charter Communications regarding the roll around channel. They are saying they provide over \$11,500 in video service fees to the Village annually and if the Village wishes to continue using this program they can but need to transfer ownership and they would like a response by the end of May. Council discussed whether or not to keep the channel and if other media should be used in place of this channel due to the cost. Another Village sold advertising spots to help pay for their video service.
9. There was a request from the Perry County Health Department wanting to know if they could put recycling bins back down at the Park since it is now open. They were happy with what they received and some of Council did not agree with putting it back at the park.

Mayor Redfern asked if there were any citizen's comments/ complaints. Rocky Chevalier asked about the video service and the cost of what it would be for the Village to keep up with it. He explained that there would have to be a significant number of people watching the channel before the cost would pay off. Another option Rocky volunteered only included the cost of equipment. He would suggest starting a Village you tube channel where you can have it live, do edits, and if 1,000 subscribers are reached, you tube will put commercials on there. This was discussed in further detail. Chris Rice feels that this may be more than what we need in order to replace the run around channel.

Mayor Redfern reminded all of Council that the training for the new web page for the employees will be held Thursday afternoon if any would like to attend.

Ralph Hill explained that he sent everyone the number of runs for the prior month and let Council know that the Health Department donated a couple of infant car seats to the EMS in case of hauling small kids. It is getting busier and not slowing down.

Mayor Redfern adjourned the meeting.

Brittany Ross
Fiscal Officer

Fred Redfern
Mayor