

## **Village of Crooksville**

### **Workshop Minutes**

**August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Mayor Mohler calls the meeting to order with the following members present; Mr. Rice, Mr. Hampton, Mr. Locke, Ms. Smith, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Loomis. Tom Collins was also present.

Daniel McBane and Andy Leach start off the meeting with lengthy discussions regarding insurance. Argo is what we currently have through McBane, and PEP (Public Entities Pool) was covered by Mr. Leach. What was covered by both plans was handed out to Council for them to go over. A decision will need to be made by Council on what they would like to do; stick with Argo, or switch to PEP. There will be an official vote on this matter at the Council Meeting on Monday, August 17, 2020. Kathy Maguschak, who handles the Village's health insurance was also present, and stated she had no updates regarding health insurance at this time.

The Village sprayed for mosquitos again last Friday. Between the spraying, and the use the of the tablets the mosquito problems seems to be under control.

The new cornhole boards have been placed down at the old tennis court at the park. So far, they seem to be used quite frequently. While the Village has purchased sets of cornhole bags they do not have a way of lending them out at this time to ensure that they are returned. Those who are interested should bring their own bags.

Charcoal grills have been placed near the cornhole sets, along with picnic tables. Grills have also been placed by both the large and the small shelter houses. The hope is that the public are able to enjoy these new additions to the park area. Blue pond dye has been added to the pond to help beautify the pond its self. Rocky Chevalier had questioned why there were no picnic tables around the pond. The answer to that is because when we had tried that in the past, and it ended with crew and machinery that had to pull picnic tables out of the pond. So, there is no plan on doing that again.

We have received a quote from Straus Fence to put up 1040 feet of fence to help secure the park. The fences would have 2 openings. The hope of the fence would been to keep people from vandalizing the park. With fewer places to enter and exit the park if the fences were up, we would be able to catch people on the cameras when incidents occur.

Tom has started to look into adopting a document to be filled out in advance if there will be a road closure. In many events we are not aware of these road closures. In the recent case of Sand Street, after the gas line was repaired the bricks that were tore up were not replaced, but instead they were tore up, and then blacktop was lay down. The bricks will be placed back down.

Prices have been checked on what kind of structure would be the best, and the most affordable to use as an outside open-air band stand. There are many different structures with a wide price range depending on the desired structure.

Mayor Mohler has checked with Marilyn Horner, the Fiscal Officer about of money that that Village will receive from the COVID Cares Act. The exact amount is \$48,799.43. This money has to be used for

essential COVID related items that have been purchased between March 1, and the end of December. The Mayor is recommending that we look into getting touchless faucets, as well as commodes. If the money is not used then it will need to be returned at the end of the time period.

Chief Walters announces to Council that he has been in touch with OPF&F regarding retirement. He is looking to retire in 8 months.

Ralph Hill gives a COVID update regarding Perry County. At this time there are 49 active cases. 83 have recovered. There have been 3 deaths, and 135 confirmed cases. New Lexington has recently had an outbreak in a nursing home, causing the numbers to go up. There have been 6 cases in our area, with 5 being active at this time.

The Fire Department had begun to work on fire hydrant testing. This process has been stalled due to a rock that came through the line, and damaged the equipment. As soon as the replacement parts arrive, testing will be back up and running.

Bids on the Fire Station are due tomorrow at 11:00 a.m., on the 11<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be held at the Rec Center.

CSA has been sent out a letter discontinuing our contract. They will have until August 20<sup>th</sup> to get all of the paperwork delivered back to us. Ralph, Marilyn and Lacey have been working on completing the MediCount application, and getting it finalized to be submitted.

Fred Redfern is curious as to what has been going on with people looking at/working on the area near the railroad. There is not a certain answer on what they have been working on.

The decision on the insurance will need to be on the agenda for Monday nights meeting.

With no further discussion, Mayor Mohler calls the meeting to be adjourned.

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CHRIS MOHLER

MAYOR

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MARILYN HORNER

FISCAL OFFICER