

# Village of Waynesville Council Meeting Minutes May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – 7:30p

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs  
Ms. Sandra Stemple, Council President  
Mr. Rick Becker  
Mr. Chuck Feicht  
Mr. James Martin  
Mr. Richard Philpott  
Mr. Ernie Tracy

Absent: none

Village Staff Present: Jeff Forbes (Law Director), Bruce Snell (Village Manager), Staci Morris (Finance Director), Gary Copeland (Chief of Police)

*NOTE – This is a summary of the Village Council Meeting held on Monday, May 5, 2008. A DVD recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council and is available for review.*

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Mayor Isaacs called the meeting to order at 7:30p.  
Roll Call – 7 present

Mr. Becker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Motion to move items #7 (New Business) and #8 (Legislation) in the agenda up before #3 (Disposition of Previous Minutes) – Mr. Tracy  
Second – Ms. Stemple*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

Chief Copeland read a letter from MADD regarding Rickey Couch's arrest of a five-time drunk driver.

Mayor Isaacs and Chief Copeland swore in the following officers: Rickey Couch (full-time), Robert Steinbruner (Reserve), Jonathon Denlinger (Reserve), Jarrod Morris (Reserve).

## **Legislation**

Ms. Morris stated that Ordinance 2008-017 should be an emergency even though it is not listed at the top of the legislation. It is listed in the wording within the ordinance.

*Motion to waive the two reading rule for Ordinance 2008-017 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Tracy*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

- Mr. Snell stated that the farmland would be put out to bid by next year's farming season. The reason is because it is so late in the farming season already.
- Mike Clark will be farming the land this year at the rate he previously paid to Mr. Bowman (\$100 per acre).

*Motion to adopt Ordinance 2008-017 as an emergency – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Tracy*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

*Motion to adopt Resolution 2008-014 – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Tracy*

- Mr. Forbes stated that the deed restriction had been recorded by Mr. Federle. Confirmation came from Michael Foley.

Roll Call – 7 yeas

#### **Disposition of Previous Minutes**

- Mayor Isaacs stated that he would like for the minutes to be read out loud.
- Ms. Stemple asked which set of minutes was to be read.
- Mayor Isaacs stated the April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.
- Ms. Morris asked Mayor Isaacs if he was asking her to read the minutes. He stated that he was.

Ms. Morris read minutes word-for-word of 04/21/2008 meeting.

- Mayor Isaacs stated that he had a problem with one section where the minutes stated "Mayor Isaacs stated that he had heard a rumor that he was trying to take over the police department, and he was flabbergasted by it." The mayor stated that the Law Director informed Mr. Snell, when he felt that Mr. Forbes should have informed him (Mayor Isaacs) before anyone.
- Mayor Isaacs felt that it was blown out of proportion. He stated that he "was not trying to take over the police department. I just merely had a lil' question that I didn't think was going to create the stink it created. I felt and I still feel that you owe me an apology. Bruce did apologize to me today, and you shouldn't have told Mr. Philpott, you should have told me. I was the one who asked the question and I don't find out until we get here in this Council meeting, but anyway, it don't reflect that in the minutes."
- Mr. Snell stated that he did apologize to the Mayor for sharing that with Mr. Philpott before sharing it with him (the Mayor). Mr. Snell did not know that the Mayor was going to air that in a public meeting and then demand an apology from Mr. Forbes. Mr. Snell felt that this wasn't Council business, but it was something that we need to move past.

- Mayor Isaacs stated that if Council asked our Law Director a question, then "they should get an answer, it shouldn't be ran around the horn. That's all I am saying."
- Mr. Martin asked if Council could vote on the adoption of minutes, and the Mayor could vote no if he chose.
- Mayor Isaacs stated that he "made his point, and the minutes need to be amended. That's all."

- *Mayor Isaacs stated that he made a motion.*
- Ms. Morris asked what the amendment was to state.
- Mr. Martin asked whether the Mayor was making a motion to adopt or amend.
- Mayor Isaacs said that he made a motion to amend.
- Ms. Morris again asked what the Mayor's suggestion was for the amendment wording.
- Mayor Isaacs stated that he "was disappointed that Mr. Forbes told Bruce, and Bruce told Dick, and Dick told his wife, and I heard it on the street that three workers at McDonalds. That's what I said."
- Mr. Tracy said that the minutes are to generally reflect what was said in the meeting.
- Mayor Isaacs state that he should be allowed to ask questions.
- Mr. Tracy agreed that he should, but added that he agreed with Mr. Martin and Mr. Snell that questions to the Law Director should go through Mr. Snell. No one should be embarrassed in a public meeting.
- Mr. Feicht stated that he felt the minutes were a pretty fair summary of the meeting. He added that if the Mayor felt that something should be added, then he should make a motion to amend the minutes. Mr. Feicht stated that he was unclear what the Mayor wanted added to the minutes.

*Motion to approve the minutes as written – Mr. Feicht*

*Second – Mr. Tracy*

- *Mayor Isaacs declared that he had already made a motion to amend the minutes.*

*Ms. Stemple seconded the motion made by the Mayor.*

- Ms. Morris asked for the exact wording for the amendment because she was still unclear.
- Mayor Isaacs stated "I asked Mister (pointing at Mr. Forbes). What I said was I didn't think that the Law Director should be charging us because he told Bruce, Bruce told Dick, Dick told his wife, and I heard about it on the street. I was the one that asked the question, and that's all I want. He should have come to me. He just should have come to me."
- Ms. Morris asked the Mayor what specific language he wanted inserted for the amendment.
- Mayor Isaacs stated here is exactly what I want and we'll be done with this. "I said I thought Mr. Forbes should have told me instead of telling, should have told

me first because I was the one that asked him the question. He shouldn't have told Bruce, Bruce shouldn't have told Dick, Dick shouldn't have told his wife, and I shouldn't have heard it on the street. And she tells me that she heard it from three workers in a booth at McDonalds."

*Ms. Morris clarified that Mayor Isaacs made the motion to amend as stated, and Ms. Stemple seconded.*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

*Motion to adopt 04/21/2008 minutes as amended – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Feicht*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

*Motion to adopt 04/23/2008 special meeting minutes – Ms. Stemple  
Second – Mr. Martin*

Roll Call – 7 yeas

### **Public Recognition/Visitor's Comments**

Marty Heidi (Congressman Turner's office, Warren County Outreach) discussed the following:

- 1) The Dayton office of Congressman Turner has flags for sale that have been flown over the Capital building. The order form is available on the website.
- 2) Staff-guided tours are available of the White House, the Mint, and the Capital Building to all residents of the 3<sup>rd</sup> District
- 3) The Economic Stimulus Package is available if the individual files at least a 1040a. The April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline has been extended to October 15<sup>th</sup> for late-filers. If you have questions, call #937.225.2843.

Mayor Isaacs thanked Congressman Turner for his donation of an American flag to the Progressive Women's Club auction. He stated that he had purchased the flag personally.

Gary Pelkey (830 Camp Creek Road) asked Council what plans they had for bettering the Village because he saw fourteen empty businesses on Main Street and that concerns him. Mr. Pelkey also asked how much it costs to run the Village. He asked for a paper listing every Village employee's salary.

### **Old Business**

none

### **Reports**

(1) Standing Council Committees

- (a) Finance Committee – met 05/05/2008, Police and Street Levies will be on the August ballot

- (b) Public Works Committee – will meet on 05/19/2008 at 6:00p. Mr. Feicht stated that the Village had acquired the Bowman property.
- (c) Special Committees – none

- (2) Village Manager's Report – Mr. Snell discussed the following:
  - thanked Chief Copeland, the Police Department, and the Streets Department for the health fair traffic control and barricades placed for the 5k run/walk
  - he will be out on Tuesday 05/06/2008 for a personal day

- (3) Finance Director's Report – Ms. Morris stated that she had given Council a written report. She asked for a volunteer from Council to sit on a panel for Leadership Warren County. Mr. Feicht volunteered, but stated that he had to check his calendar first.

- (4) Police Chief's Report – Chief Copeland discussed the following:
  - graduation from the Citizen Police Academy. He thanked Council, Mr. Snell for their assistance and participation. Chief Copeland stated that he had already received three applications for next February's class.
  - thanked Street Department for placing barricades for 5k

Mayor Isaacs stated that he had enjoyed himself at the academy.

- (5) Law Director's Report – Mr. Forbes did not have anything to report.

**New Business**

Historic Preservation will begin meeting on the first and third Mondays at 4:30p.

**Other Business**

*Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:15p – Mr. Tracy*  
*Second – Ms. Stemple*

*Roll Call - 7 yeas*

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Staci Morris, Finance Director/Clerk