# VILLAGE OF MAGNETIC SPRINGS

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 20, 2018

Present- Martha "Kathy" Cantrell, Mayor

Deborah Lutz Rex Pierce

Richard "Rick" Murphy

Darrel Wheeler Casey Tuck Melissa Stiles Craig Ridgeway

Village Solicitor—Alison Boggs

Sheriff-Union Co. Deputy Kent

Visitors—Edward Schrum

#### **OPENING:**

This regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Magnetic Springs was called to order by Mayor Martha "Kathy" Cantrell at 7:01 p.m. at 30 W. Magnetic St., Magnetic Springs, OH 43036.

VISITORS— see below.

SOLICITOR—Regarding 41 Rose St., Boggs informed council that Thayne Gray has submitted notice of forfeiture of the property and it has been signed by the judge. The village council needs to decide if they are interested in the property, and if so, they need to submit the filings as soon as possible, as there are four parties total, open to it. Boggs requested an authorization of up to \$535.00 to file the petition and be reimbursed immediately. Schrum interjected that his papers do not reflect the same information. Boggs informed him that the property was indeed foreclosed on, and there was no sale at the sheriff's auction. Schrum questioned why council wants the property now that he has shown interest? Council countered that this has been in the works for an extended time period. Stiles added that the council has maintained the property for twenty years, since the day it was walked away from. Upon council discussion (Statute 57.23A), it was concluded that they do want to continue to pursue the grant of the forfeiture. Boggs says if granted, the land goes to VOMS. Ridgway asked what if the land was applied for by all parties involved? Boggs-the judge would have to decide, but per an email she received it seems logical that it would be awarded to the VOMS. Mayor Cantrell asked how long the process takes? Boggs says she is unaware, but says they must file asap; they have ten days once the notice has been received. Pierce made a motion to file the injunction petition, Lutz seconded the motion and all members agreed. Murphy-once paperwork is filed, can there be a cease and desist issued as to halt any further changes to the property? Boggs says maybe, she will look further into the petition. Council could file a civil injunction until a final decision is made. Murphy made a motion to file the petition for an injunction to cease and desist, Pierce seconded the motion and all members agreed. Boggs recommended taking pics of the property tonight, in case further actions are made by Schrum.

SHERIFF— Deputy Kent says things have been quiet still. He made note that some of the problem offenders have actually left the area.

## MINUTES:

Rex Pierce made a motion to waive the reading and approve of the August 2018 meeting minutes. Darrel Wheeler seconded the motion and all present members agreed.

TREASURER REPORT/WARRANTS/BUDGET:

Casey Tuck presented council members with the warrants payable for Ohio Edison, Columbia Gas, Time Warner Cable, etc. The total amount due for all warrants as payable was \$697.56. All warrants were disbursed to be signed. The bank reconciliation report was distributed for the month of August. Melissa Stiles made a motion to accept and pay the warrants, Craig Ridgeway seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

CDC Grant—The grant was approved for the VOMS! Whitaker Wright was on site recently to take pictures to assist in the grant. Mayor Cantrell asked if we can take care of the demolition of the donated properties first? Wright said yes. Boggs asked if Elmer Fuller had been approached about the burnt house for cleanup/demolition assistance? Wheeler informed her it was down to the slab and a lot of cleanup had been completed so far. Boggs says it may become a UCHD issue. More updates to come.

Junk Cars— Schrum was in violation but has since corrected the issue.

"North Main Campground"— Boggs says council could file an injunction against 8 N. Main. Some discussion was made about the way the parcel was classified. Tuck looked at the zoning map and it is zoned B-2. Boggs says that is not residential and a violation of the UCHD as well. Ridgeway asked where the zoning info comes from? Tuck-the LUC. Boggs suggests Tuck get a copy of the definitions of the zoning key. She says council could re-adopt a resolution for extra emphasis. Pierce questioned who we contact to rezone? Wheeler-Jesse Conrad. Mayor Cantrell emailed the UCHD and asked about their policy on camps and campsites but has had no response. Ridgeway said he reviewed the same information as well.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

R-5-18—This annual resolution is to accept the amounts and rates for the following fiscal year and authorize any necessary tax levies to the Union County Auditor. Pierce made a motion to accept the resolution, Wheeler seconded the motion; roll call: Stiles-yes, Lutz-yes, Ridgeway-yes, Murphy-yes.

R-6-18—This resolution was presented by Tuck, in order to move monies within the general fund to properly pay for tax collection fees. Wheeler made a motion to accept, Lutz seconded the motion, and all members agreed.

R-7-18—This resolution was created to give Tuck permission to reimburse Boggs immediately in the case of cost associated with filing petitions, possibly up to \$435.00. Pierce made a motion to approve, Stiles seconded the motion and all members agreed.

Ordinances—Mayor Cantrell would like to contact someone about reviewing and possibly re-writing our ordinances. Boggs says there is a person working with Milford Center currently and she will contact him and ask if he is interested.

Camper/Squatter— (see 'Solicitor') Murphy informed Schrum that he did not want to be approached about village matters unless it was in a council meeting setting.

Stiles questioned if it was concluded by the UCHD that the porta john was an issue? Schrum says he was tired of being hassled so he got the porta john and there is no issue because it is a construction site. Wheeler asked where the building permit is? Murphy adds that the property is not a construction site, it is in litigation and there is due process. Schrum says he spoke with Bill McClary and his mother about the property and he was given permission to bring in his camper to place on the

property while he gets the property in his name. A brief misunderstanding ensued between Murphy and Schrum and Murphy redacted his statements. Boggs clarified that Schrum says he had permission because the property is in his mother's name.

Flag Pole—Mayor Cantrell said the flagpole and sign has arrived from the VFW. Wheeler will be purchasing three bags of concrete for the placement of the pole. Cantrell and Wheeler purchased and donated the sign and solar light. October 14<sup>th</sup> will be the dedication ceremony.

Village Hall Repairs—Wheeler recommends budgeting for replacement light covers next year, for now we can just replace the broken one.

Food Pantry/Hall Use—Cantrell says the most recent handout was a success. They will be coming back October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cantrell says Alex Bennett will be borrowing chairs and tables Saturday. A wedding reception will be held there on Sunday. Cantrell will be working at the hall on Saturday if anyone would like to come.

Murphy Grandfather—Murphy's grandfather has passed and council expressed their condolences.

Bills—Wheeler will submit a bill for the cap to Tuck, he forgot the bill at the meeting.

## GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Facebook—No Reports.

# VILLAGE PROPERTIES/ZONING/STREET/SEWER:

Water Well—No updates; sample due. Murphy says it is in the mail.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Cantrell questioned if there was any more business to be discussed. Council members agreed that all business had been concluded. The next regular meeting will be held on October 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., Pierce made a motion at 8:14 p.m. to adjourn, Wheeler seconded the motion, and all present council members agreed.

Mayor, Martha Cantrell

Deborah Lutz, President