## VILLAGE OF MAGNETIC SPRINGS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 12,1997

Council members present were: Bob Baughman, Rex Clevenger, Jim Gibson, Bill McCarty, Rex Pierce, Carol Verity, Mayor Jesse Conrad and Clerk Lorrie Pheifer. Others in attendance were: Janis Davis

The minutes of the May 15,1997 meeting were read with McCarty making a motion to approve the minutes as read and Clevenger seconding the motion. All yeas. The treasurer's report was given with a balance of \$82,327.73 total of all village accounts. McCarty made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and pay all bills with Pierce seconding the motion. All yeas.

The Street Committee reported potholes. The sewer committee and Fire Chief gave no reports at this time.

In old business Conrad stated the Spring Clean-Up went extremely well with the supervision of the council. The location of the dumpsters and the alleviation of unacceptable waste were two advantages to the Clean-Up.

Junk Cars continue to be a problem throughout the village. Deputy Collier, from the Union County Sheriff's Department, was on hand to relay to council what can be done. Collier stated that council just needs to write down the location of the vehicles and the Sheriff's Department will proceed from there. The criteria for a "Junk Vehicle" as stated by the deputy is a non running vehicle, non licensed vehicle, or any vehicle not meeting the stipulations as set down by the village code. Conrad supplied Collier with a list of vehicles presently meeting one or all of those criteria. Collier stated he would get back with council on this matter.

Contempt of Court charges were filed with the Court of Common Pleas in Union County against Joseph Backhurst concerning his properties located at 16 N. Main Street and 22 W. Magnetic Street. Village Solicitor Phillips will get back with the council on the date of this trial. The surveying for the 1996 CDBG - May Street sidewalks is done. The commissioners have given the go ahead but bidding will not begin until after the sewer project is complete. The sidewalks on Park Street are earmarked as the next project. The amount of sidewalks to be completed on this street depends on the amount of the grant.

Conrad relayed to council that the Phase 3 May Street storm sewer project is set to extend from the Teet's residence to the end of May Street North. McCarty asked why the sewer would not be extended to the south end of May Street instead of stopping half way. McCarty stated that he felt the entire street should be done at once even if it meant adding village funds to finish the job. Conrad stated he would look into this. Council again stated the importance of having these projects done right and the village put back into the same shape these companies began with. Baughman asked Conrad if a representative from Poggemeyer might be available at the July meeting for a question and answer session. Conrad stated he would call Poggemeyer. Problems in the past are as follows: Sidewalks in front of Janis Davis's residence on Main Street not filled in, piles of gravel and asphalt are still at

the Ballfield (these were to have been removed following project), piles of gravel at the Verity residence, Storm Sewer Drop in the middle of the north end of Rose Street, the Drops along the Main Street (By Post Office), repavement of street along drops not satisfactory, heavy machinery left in resident's yards thus leaving deep ruts to have to mow around, and no backfill along other sidewalks along the Main Street.

Verity stated that there are sewer breaks along the tile from the utility pole to the gas line along her residence thus putting sewage into her yard. Conrad stated he would call Reece to look into this problem. Conrad also stated that a tile by the church is also in need of repair.

Conrad handed out a list of vehicles available through the Ohio's Cooperative Purchasing Agency. Council discussed the purchase of a Ford F-250 (Item 10) in the amount of \$18,992.00 with the larger 7.5L engine (extra \$345.00) and the Heavy Duty cooling system (extra \$100.00). Rex Clevenger stated he did not feel the need for this truck at this point in time. McCarty stated that the sale of the old truck should pay for the snowplow blade for the new truck. McCarty made a motion to purchase the truck through Mike Pruitt's Lima Ford Dealership with Pierce seconding the motion. Roll call resulted in 5 yeas and Clevenger voting no. Council decided the truck color would be bright red.

Conrad handed out estimates by the Shelly Company for street paving throughout the village. McCarty made a motion for the following streets to be paved this year: Magnetic Street, E. Of 37, (878.04), Catherine St., 37 to May, (1,490.24), Park Street, 37 to Dead End, (2,189.10), Millard St., 37 to DeGood, (1,772.21), Fountain Street, 37 to May, (1,276.53), Park Street to Olive, (1,242.80), and Catherine Street, 37 to Olive, (1,130.28). Total for street repaving \$9,979.20. Baughman seconded the motion. All yeas.

Conrad stated that there are various problem areas within the village concerning litter and trash. Solicitor Phillips stated to Conrad that the council might consider adopting the full text of the Ohio Basic Code to alleviate some of the gray areas in the village codes. Conrad stated he would also get with the Union County Health Department to see if they might be able to help with some of the problem residences.

Janis Davis asked council who was responsible for filling the potholes along the edge of the street in front of her house. McCarty stated the village is responsible for this job. Conrad stated he would look into getting this fixed. Davis also asked council who decides what streets are done, in what order, and what is the criteria to which it is determined. Davis also asked why the council has switched to Park Street, an East/ West Street, to get the next sidewalks when Rose Street, the only other North/South Street left to have sidewalks, is getting skipped. McCarty stated Park Street could be changed as nothing is down in stone yet. Conrad stated Poggemeyer suggests to council what they feel is the best way to spend the grant money. Davis stated she felt the decision to do Park Street over Rose Street was not fairly

determined as the Rose Street residents have not seen any advantages to the grant money. Rose Street has been in bad repairs since the last paving job was done, which was not done to satisfaction anyway. Davis felt maybe the projects could be spread around the village better to include giving all taxpayers the benefits of these projects. Bob Baughman stated that the council does the best they can and if the villagers don't attend the meetings to give their point of view then it has to be left to the council's discretion.

Clevenger asked council about Fitch's old filling station. Clevenger stated villagers had asked him about any potential problems arising from the underground gas tanks. McCarty stated the tanks were replaced years back with plastic tanks and any liability would go to Fitch's.

McCarty made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Gibson seconding the motion. All yeas. The next meeting will be July 10, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire House.

Jesse Conrad, Mayor

Lorrie Pheifer, Clerk