

**Council of the Village of Yellow Springs
Regular Session Minutes**

In Council Chambers @ 5:30 P.M.

Monday, June 19, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council Karen Wintrow called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

ROLL CALL

Present were Wintrow, Vice President Brian Housh, Gerry Simms, Judith Hempfling and Marianne MacQueen.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:33pm, MacQueen MOVED and Housh SECONDED a MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION For the Purpose of the Evaluation of a Public Official and the Discussion of Potential Litigation. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a ROLL CALL vote.

Manager Bates entered the session at 6pm.

Assistant Village Manager Dodd and Solicitor Conard joined the session at 6:30pm.

At 7:02pm, Simms MOVED and Housh SECONDED a MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION.

SWEARING IN OF POLICE CHIEF (7:07)

Chief Carlson was sworn in by Mayor Foubert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wintrow announced a Business After Hours on June 22 at Stoney Creek Garden Center; July 8 is Springs Fest all day at the Bryan Center.

MacQueen announced Pride activities in the Village on June 24th.

Housh announced that June 22 is Antioch College's Humanities Arts gala; June 22nd will also see a fundraiser at the YS Brewery for the Fallen Firefighters Stairclimb Event; YSKP's summer show opens on June 22; June 28th the Economic Sustainability Commission will hold a CBE Community Conversation on CBE land restrictive covenants from 7-9 in Council Chambers.

Housh announced that on June 26, staff will exercise water valves in preparation for changeover to the new water plant, and this may result in some brown water for residents.

Simms spoke about his trip to Cresco, lauding the quality of the experience and noting that the Chief and Johnnie Burns were also present..

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of May 23, 2017 Special Meeting
2. May Financials

Simms MOVED and MacQueen SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE the Consent Agenda, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of June 5, 2017 Regular Meeting. Simms MOVED and MacQueen SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE the Minutes of June 5th as amended. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a voice vote.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Staff Reports were moved to just after Legislation.

Hempfling asked that the goal of hiring a diverse workforce be added under New Business.

PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

Housh reviewed communications received as follows:

Henry Myers re: Affordable Housing
Carl Champney re: Lodging Tax
Marianne MacQueen re: Guidelines for Village Policing
Emily Seibel re: Request for Waiver of Tap Fees for New YSHI Project

PUBLIC HEARINGS/LEGISLATION

Reading of Resolution 2017-29 Authorizing the Village Manager to Submit a Grant to OPWC for Storm Water Mitigation. Simms MOVED and MacQueen SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE.

Bates stated that Supervisor Hamby has asked to submit an application requesting a 49% grant (the Village would provide a 51% match) to address ongoing drainage issues along Winter Street between Cliff and Pleasant Streets.

Wintrow CALLED THE VOTE, and the MOTION PASSED 4-0 on a voice vote, with Hempfling abstaining.

Reading of Resolution 2017- 30 Approving a Pay Increase for the Village Manager. Simms MOVED and MacQueen SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE.

Wintrow noted that Council is pleased with Manager Bates' performance and her dedication to ongoing projects in the Village.

Wintrow CALLED THE VOTE, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a voice vote.

Reading of Resolution 2017-31 Affirming Support for the Paris Climate Agreement. Simms MOVED and MacQueen SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE.

MacQueen thanked Mothers Out Front (MOF) for sending the resolution. She noted that the Village is working on a Climate Action Plan through the Environmental Commission.

MacQueen asked for interested citizens to become involved in the CAP if possible.

Hempfling stated that the Energy Board could use the assistance of MOF in engaging the public.

Laura Skidmore commented that she is involved on behalf of her daughters. Skidmore noted that MOF began in Massachusetts in 2013, established by a group of mothers. MOF in Yellow Springs is the first MOF group in Ohio, she stated. The group is dedicated to moving the community away from the use of fossil fuels as effectively as possible. Skidmore noted that the group meets twice a month, and invited all interested to participate. She noted that not only the resolution, but also the follow up, would be critical.

MacQueen spoke about the Village's policy regarding renewable energy, noting that the Village's energy portfolio is 85%-90% renewables.

Wintrow noted that much of what is needed is support for citizens to reduce transportation-related carbon emissions.

Bates commented that she is encouraging a move to a more electric and hybrid fleet wherever possible.

Bates responded to a question from Housh, stating that the Finance Office is working to enable green accounts to accommodate customers wishing to use only green energy. She will update Council when this becomes available.

Christy Reedy commented upon climate change as an overwhelming problem that can be effectively addressed through local action. Reedy noted the Paris Accord as a good step in the process.

Wintrow stated that it has become the practice of Council to make statements regarding the values of the community when those values are challenged on a state or national level.

Lauren Mikesell thanked Council for considering the resolution. She noted that the group does want to be involved and help, and asked for direction in this regard.

Wintrow CALLED THE VOTE, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a voice vote.

First Reading of Ordinance 2017-12 Adjusting Summer Sewer Rates: Amending Section 1048.05 of Service Charges of Chapter 1048 of Sewers and Sewage of Section 10 of Streets, Utilities & Public Services of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs. Simms MOVED and Housh SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE.

Dodd stated that she had incorporated changes she saw as needed, noting that at the previous meeting she had touched on the discovery of 2 conflicting ordinances addressing water usage that does not enter the sewer, one in 2011 and one in 2014. One is a precise, measured method, although costly for customers to implement, the other an estimate approach, which the Village has been using. Council favored the current method of calculating credits for that water. The legislation brought to tonight's meeting repeals the old legislation and incorporates the changes recommended two meetings ago.

Dodd noted the noteworthy changes to Section (g), which changes the language to the monthly billing system from the quarterly billing system. She noted a correction in the months listed on the ordinance, which will be corrected for the second reading, and noted a cap on the adjustment of 2,000 gallons per month for a total of 6,000 gallons for the summer. The new ordinance also addresses apartment complexes, giving the landlord the authority to designate one spigot as the location for the summer adjustment, based upon what apartment is responsible for the outdoor connection.

Dodd noted that Section (h), which addresses separate metering, is struck in its entirety.

Housh followed up on the matter of Section (h), wondering why this would be removed.

Dodd stated that separate metering has been permitted in the past for large scale users.

Wintrow received confirmation that separate metering can continue.

Housh suggested that (h) be kept in, since it simply permits a user to employ the more precise method, but does not require it.

Wintrow asked that section (h) be reinstated for the second reading, and asked that legal counsel review the amended ordinance as a precaution.

Wintrow asked about the permitted uses, objecting to simply watering existing lawns.

Bates commented that it would be too difficult to determine types of use.

Hempfling received clarification regarding the multi-family dwellings, with Dodd explaining that it solves the issue of who is being charged for watering by putting the landlord in charge of the determination.

Dorothee Bouquet received an explanation as to how the program works.

Housh MOVED TO INCLUDE SECTION (h). Hempfling SECONDED, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a voice vote.

Wintrow CALLED THE VOTE ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Emergency Reading of Ordinance 2017-13 Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into an Option Agreement for the Sale of 8 Acres of Real Estate and Declaring an Emergency. Simms MOVED and Housh SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE.

Wintrow repeated that all of the legislation presented regarding Cresco has to be presented as emergency legislation due to the need for Cresco to submit its application for a license to the State of Ohio on or before June 30, 2017. That application must contain assurance that the land will be sold to Cresco if its license is obtained.

Conard commented that at the start of the process, any company must demonstrate site control and that it is properly zoned for the intended use. Sale of real estate does require an ordinance, which carries the power of law, hence the current ordinance.

Conard noted that there is an escrow amount included in the transaction, which can be exercised should Cresco not receive licensure.

Wintrow called for public comment.

Florence Randolph asked about the amount of escrow, and received confirmation that a value is assigned to taking the land off the market for a period of time.

Hempfling received confirmation that the time period for a response regarding licensure is about 90 days.

Wintrow CALLED THE VOTE, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Bates reported that:

Swim passes are still available, as are ðSwimming for Allö applications.

Previously, Energy Board recommended that the Village work with Empower Energy to provide certain services to residents to help reduce energy bills. Empower is currently going through a significant restructuring and does not wish to start any new partnerships at this time. The company will contact the Village in the Fall and revisit the program with the Energy Board at that time.

Wintrow asked that other power companies be considered.

The Village's current Rumpke contract expires in mid-August but has a stipulation for three additional one-year terms. Staff reports no problems and only praises for Rumpke, and Bates therefore recommended renewing the contract.

MacQueen voiced that the recycling option with Rumpke is confusing, and that she would like to see this program strengthened.

Bates stated that staff is exploring this option with Rumpke.

MacQueen asked for an educational component.

Bates noted several efforts underway.

Wintrow asked for updated stickers for containers.

Housh noted that some items are sometimes available for recycling and sometimes are not.

Wintrow asked that cardboard be clarified as to whether and how it can be recycled.

Previously, at the recommendation of the Environmental Commission, the Village became a member of ICLEI, primarily as a method of completing the Climate Action Plan. Staff have since discovered that the ICLEI method is too complex for the Village's small size and have initiated an individualized model for the Yellow Springs Climate Action Plan. Therefore, the Environmental Commission recommends not renewing membership in ICLEI but using the membership fee toward the Village's plan.

Bates noted that she has been appointed to the Greene County OPWC Committee to represent the Villages in Greene County.

Bates noted that she has lifted the stop work order on the Dayton-Yellow Springs Road project, which should be back underway shortly.

Bates responded to a question from Housh, noting that the bike corral should be back in downtown in several days following repair of some anchoring units.

ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER/FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT

Dodd reported on the following:

Dodd stated that the tax budget will be presented at the July 3rd meeting. This still allows time for submission to the County prior to the deadline.

CHIEF REPORT

Chief Carlson reported the following:

On June 10th, the department set up a booth at Street Fair and gave away 2000 fans to help cool down the day.

The department was included in the trip to Illinois on June 16 to tour the Cresco Labs facilities with Burns and Simms. The Chief expressed that he was impressed with the comprehensive security systems and on site staff.

The department will begin walks with an officer starting the first week of August.

The department is pleased to announce that the department's newest officer, Ms. Mariah England, has almost completed her FTO field training.

Chief Carlson noted that the third Sergeant's position will be open for consideration of applicants soon.

Carlson responded to a question from Housh, noting that bike lights continue to be distributed.

CLERK'S REPORT

There was no Clerk Report.

Housh asked the Clerk to coordinate a Complete Streets workshop to be conducted by Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission with staff, Council and the Active Transportation Committee.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Steve Hetzler commented on the plethora of dogs and cats in the Village who appear to have ill-trained owners and are permitted to run free and/or to perform bodily functions without repercussion or mitigation of said waste. Hetzler also recommended that cats be collared and tagged as a deterrent to the killing of birds. Hetzler spoke passionately regarding the need to control predacious cats.

Tony Salmonson, owner of property on Fairfield Pike, noted that he is currently improving that property and had decided to hook up the water to the property. He stated that he spoke to Superintendent Burns and was informed of the policy, per 1046.01-.03 of the codified ordinances, that re-connection of water meters necessitates that the meter be moved outside.

Salmonson stated that he disagreed with the policy, and took the matter to the Village Manager, with whom he also disagreed, but has nonetheless complied with the ordinance, in the amount of \$2,700.00.

Salmonson stated that the policy has been enforced three times in three years, and should be revisited by Council.

Salmonson added that he was concerned that photos were taken of the water meter inside his house. He alleged that the photos were taken without his permission and that the employee who took the photos had entered the home without permission.

Bates determined that Salmonson had been at the home when Village workers arrived to look at the water situation.

Wintrow asked that the Village Manager follow up with Salmonson.

Bates explained that the ordinance affects anyone performing renovation that results in the existing water meter being disconnected. At that point, the property owner is required to provide an approved connection, which necessitates that the meter be located outside of the home.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Home, Inc. Presentation re: Completion of Cemetery Street Project. Emily Seibel, Director of Yellow Springs Home, Inc. (YSHI), presented a 20-minute review of the history of the C-Street project. The presentation was devised by Miller Fellow Ellie Burke.

The presentation was followed by presentation of a plaque to Council in appreciation.

Seibel made a preliminary request for tap and zoning waivers for a new Home, Inc. project planned for 1133 Xenia Avenue. The project, Glen Cottages, is planned as a pocket neighborhood development. That area is Residence C, high density, and can potentially accommodate 14 units without a variance. Seibel stated that the plan currently is for six rental units and two purchasable units.

Wintrow asked for detail regarding the points awarded by the grant committee for local assistance.

Seibel stated that at minimum the amount should be \$500.00 per residence to receive points towards the grant. YSHI is submitting two applications in this instance. More is viewed more favorably, however, she said.

Hempfling asked what the actual amount of the fees would be.

Bates stated that each tap would be \$750.00 (times six units), with the zoning fees adding to that amount and dependent upon what is being requested.

Wintrow asked for a staff report on the matter that details the fee amounts.

Hempfling stated that she did not want to be too cautious about this, opining that Council should give YSHI the greatest amount possible.

Seibel stated that \$500.00 is sufficient to receive the points, but that more sends a strong message. She clarified that YSHI is applying for two separate grants, both from Federal Home Loan Bank.

Wintrow commented that it would be nice to have policy language for any occasion in which Council is considering fee waivers or making a contribution. This should be implemented for the future, Wintrow commented.

MacQueen asked Seibel for a list of things that the Village can do to add value to the grant application.

Housh asked for the legislation to leave options open as to what amount up to or in excess of \$500.00.

Housh expressed appreciation for the economic development information provided by Seibel.

OLD BUSINESS

Lodging Tax Follow Up. Wintrow recused herself for reasons of potential conflict of interest, and turned over control of the meeting to Housh.

Conard introduced the topic, addressing the question as to whether the Village has the legal right to impose an up-to-3% tax on lodging. Conard affirmed this legal option, and added that the Village would not owe the County any portion of that tax.

Conard stated that the Village is permitted to impose the tax on any establishment of one room or more.

Housh commented that the Village is awaiting a response from the County as to whether the County should divert any portion of its 3% tax to the Village since Yellow Springs currently does not have a lodging tax.

Conard responded that this was a separate issue, and that a response may be slow in coming. He added that this amount could be minuscule up to 1%.

MacQueen asked which establishments could be affected by the tax, and named variations, including short term rentals.

Conard stated that this would have to be addressed by defining those entities, and including them in the legislation.

Hempfling described several variations of rental options.

Housh stated that the "transient guest" distinction does serve to distinguish between some of the establishments described by MacQueen, and stated that there would be a "definitional section" in any proposed ordinance.

Conard responded to several questions from Council, stating that while the state statute would not be changed, the Village does have the latitude to include establishments with fewer than five rooms, which the County does not currently do.

MacQueen asked for more clarity as to what the Village can and cannot do before legislation is brought.

Simms asked whether the Village could stagger the start date for different establishments.

Conard responded in the negative, since the tax code must be evenly applied.

MacQueen expressed that she is in favor of pursuing implementation of the tax and applying it as broadly as possible. She noted that this may be difficult for staff, since the smaller rentals would then need to be more regulated. She asked for input on the matter from staff.

Bates concurred that there would need to be some amount of staff effort.

Hempfling stated that if fewer rooms are included, Council should wait for information from Planning Commission regarding any regulation of short term rentals. She agreed that the impact on staff should be determined.

Hempfling stated that she had spoken with Jim Hammond and an employee, and had appreciated the conversation and Hammond's contribution to the town. Hempfling opined that such a unique hotel is a destination, and stated that she did not believe a lodging tax would negatively impact the hotel's operations. She expressed that she did not see the lodging tax discussion as in any way a negative view of the hotel. She suggested a staggered implementation of the tax: 1% then 2% then 3% over a period of years.

Conard read the definition of a "transient guest" as: persons occupying a room or rooms for sleeping accommodations for less than 30 days.

Bates commented upon the potential uses of the lodging tax, stating that while the law stipulates that the revenue be placed into the General Fund, the General Fund supports a myriad of services. The lodging tax could be used to support those services that help make Yellow Springs a place people want to visit. Some of these items could include: overtime staff work to support special events, sidewalk

repair, park maintenance, public art (such as the Art Cans and the Bronze Sculpture Trail), maintenance of the Yellow Springs Station, a center for visitors of the Village.

Bates responded to a question raised during the previous meeting regarding a tax abatement for the hotel, stating that she had spoken with Eric Henry at the Greene County Department of Development and was advised that hospitality businesses ó as opposed to a manufacturing business such as DMS, Ink ó are only eligible for tax abatements in blighted areas. He also advised that, as far as he has been able to find so far, there is no record of Mr. Hammond applying for such an abatement, but that he would continue to look.

Bates stated that she had spoken with former Village Managers Laura Curliss and Kent Bristol regarding an abatement. Ms. Curliss informed her that Mr. Hammond bought the property and was in the process of demolishing the existing structure during her tenure and that she never spoke with him about the property in any context. Mr. Bristol advised that he had spoken with Mr. Hammond about a Tax Increment Financing District, or TIF, which would allow some money collected in taxes to return to the Village to support the infrastructure development, but that he never spoke to Mr. Hammond about a tax abatement.

Housh commented that the infrastructure development ostensibly for the hotel has benefitted other businesses and residences in the area, and noted that support of economic development is a regular practice of the Village.

Housh prefaced public comment by stressing that the discussion was in no way meant to target the Mills Park Hotel negatively, and that a lodging tax is one of the few revenue options available to the community in a time when services are costly and many revenues are depressed.

Steve Hetzler characterized himself as a regular patron, and commented that the hotel has increased customer traffic to many other businesses. He stated that many patrons are older and may not be able to afford any increase that will occur if the hotel raises costs to offset taxes. “You are killing the goose that lays the golden eggs out of greed,” he opined.

MacQueen clarified that the tax would be paid by the consumer, not by the hotel.

Dorothee Bouquet commented that persons able to pay the cost of a room at the hotel will not be economically stretched by \$4.50 a day in tax. She stated her hope that Council will consider the good of the residents over a slight increase in cost to visitors.

Chrissy Cruz stated that the Hammonds will not be the persons paying the tax. If the hotel were to raise costs, the tax would rise with the increase, which would seem to factor against such a solution. Cruz commented that “Yellow Springs is expensive” to live here, to shop here” and asked why it should not also be somewhat expensive to spend the night in a hotel here. Cruz stressed that the cost would be to the consumer, not to the hotel itself, and would be a way for the hotel to demonstrate support for the community. She commented that the Village strives for quality and that quality can be charged-for.

Becky Campbell characterized the lodging tax as “taxation without representation.” She commented that the Hammonds have already brought money into the Village. She asked Council to give the hotel more time to develop as a business before imposing any tax.

Jim Hammond commented that Council did not have enough information to pursue the matter. “You’ve had 18 months,” he stated, and still don’t have the information you need. You have not addressed the impacts on the business through accounting needs. The customer is affected by the tax, he said. If they were not, he stated, the state would not hold tax holidays to generate increases in sales. Council needs to determine the impact on businesses, Hammond concluded, before proceeding.

Lisa Goldberg asked Council to “go to Greene County to get the 1% of its 3%, which you are permitted to do.” She characterized Council as inconsistent in its support in that Council members were not allowing the hotel “a chance to get its feet on the ground.” Goldberg stated that the tax, if one is enacted, should address all overnight establishments. She noted that short term stay accommodations pay only income tax, while the Mills Park Hotel pays a number of taxes.

Libby Hammond commented that despite assurances otherwise, the tax “is anti-Mills Park Hotel.” If you are to support us, she said, we need at least five years.

Dodd explained further the issue of receiving funds back from the County. A municipality which has no lodging tax, according to the Ohio Revised code, is eligible to receive “up to 1/3” of the amount received in lodging tax by the County. This could be up to 1% or as little as \$1.00, Dodd stated. This is being discussed in the County prosecutor’s office currently.

MacQueen received confirmation that the Village is not eligible to receive any amount once the Village imposes its own lodging tax.

Housh stated that the matter is taking time for the County to consider because Yellow Springs is the only eligible community that has asked the question regarding receipt of a portion of the revenue.

All other communities in Greene County, with the exception of Yellow Springs and Cedarville, have a 3% lodging tax, Housh stated.

Hempfling MOVED that a 3% lodging tax be implemented, and that all lodging establishments in town be included. Hempfling expressed frustration that the conversation was "going around and around." The hotel looks like it's doing really well, she said, and I can't imagine this would affect its success.

Housh received clarification that Hempfling would like legislation brought. Housh SECONDED.

MacQueen stated that she did not want the matter "dragged out," and stated that she could not imagine the tax significantly affecting the hotel. She stated that she would like to first receive the requested information from the County and from Conard with regard to who will be impacted and in what ways. She also expressed a preference for starting the tax at 1%.

Bates suggested that the motion be modified to include recommendations from staff with regard to implementation.

Hempfling AMENDED HER MOTION TO STATE THAT the Village move forward with a lodging tax of 3% and that the next steps be implemented to finalize legislation.

Lisa Goldberg angrily addressed Council, stating that the Mills Park Hotel is currently paying at least \$107,000.00 per year in property taxes. She questioned Council's need to rush the legislation through when "many other things take months of discussion." She charged that other lodging entities have not had the chance to weigh in on the matter, and that all necessary information has not yet been provided.

Hempfling stated that her motion was not the legislation, which would come after due diligence.

Housh SECONDED THE AMENDED MOTION.

Housh CALLED THE VOTE, and the MOTION FAILED 2-2, with Simms and MacQueen voting against.

Housh stated that the matter may return to the agenda at a later point.

Wintrow returned to Council Table.

NEW BUSINESS

Hiring Practices for a Diverse Workforce. Hempfling stated that she had brought the idea as a part of the Council Goals discussion, and wished to revisit this idea in terms of Council adoption of diverse hiring practices.

Bates stated that there are provisions in place in the Employee Personnel Manual, but that the manner of outreach to affect diversity varies position to position.

Hempfling asked for a meeting with Bates at a later point.

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Simms reviewed Swinger's Planning Commission report, commenting that a minor subdivision was approved. He noted that the food truck at Kings Yard was approved, but that the discussion hinged around downtown parking as a critical issue. He noted that the Tom's parking lot is heavily used by downtown visitors. Simms asked that Council take a look at Village-owned land for potential public parking.

Wintrow asked that Planning Commission make a recommendation in this regard.

Simms agreed to bring the matter to Planning Commission (PC).

Hempfling stated that she did not see this as a priority.

Simms stated that he would bring a recommendation to Council from PC.

Hempfling stated that she thought the Airbnb/Short Term Rental recommendation was more pressing.

Housh reported that the Arts and Culture Commission has re-hung the Kind Ness banners on US 68, and will be discussing the recipient for the next VIDA (Village Inspiration and Design Award) at the meeting in July.

Hempfling noted that Anna Bellasari will attend a meeting of the Energy Board in August to talk about tree planting for cooling effects.

The Justice System Task Force discussed the Mayor’s Court Prosecutor idea. There was a report on the PD’s work with the Ohio Collaborative.

MacQueen stated that Village Mediation is planning a 30-year celebration.

MacQueen met with the School Board liaison to Council, Sean Creighton. The two shared information and discussed the possibility for a joint meeting with Council and Miami Township Trustees. Creighton will bring the idea to the School Board, looking at the possibility of October 30th as a meeting date.

The Environmental Commission is working on projects and needs assistance on the Climate Action Plan. MacQueen asked Council to direct the the Energy Board to assist with the energy portion of the CAP. They are looking for groups and individuals to outsource aspects of the CAP to ensure its completion.

Hempfling expressed that there was some interest on the part of the Energy Board, but that direction from Council would certainly assist in motivation.

Wintrow asked that the Energy Board take on the energy portion of the CAP.

MacQueen stated that the work entails setting goals with regard to specific actions, and gave several examples. Energy programs could be a part of this effort.

Wintrow stated that the last meeting of the Greene County Regional Planning heard a presentation from Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, and reported strong interest.

MVRPC had a very short, unmemorable meeting.

Wintrow reported a successful Street Fair for non-profits and local businesses.

AGENDA PLANNING

- June 28 Forum Regarding Future of CBE Land: Focus on Restrictive Covenants
- July 3: Resolution 2017-xx Adopting Guidelines for Policing for the Village of Yellow Springs
- Resolution 2017-xx Approving the Finance Director’s 2018 Tax Budget for the Village of Yellow Springs
- Resolution 2017-xx Approving Final Legislation Accepting a Grant from Ohio Department of Transportation for Safe Routes to Schools Improvements
- Resolution Waiving Tap Fees for YSHI Project
- Second Reading of Ordinance 2017-12 Adjusting Summer Sewer Rates:
- HRC End of Year Report
- 2018 Budget Schedule
- July 17 Fiber Advisory Board Report

MacQueen asked that information from the County be provided as well as information from staff regarding the impact on their time of a lodging tax inclusive of fewer than five rooms.

Wintrow commented that the legislation related to Airbnbs relates to the lodging tax issue.

Hempfling stated that she wanted a proposal.

Wintrow commented that MacQueen might wish to determine for future lodging tax discussion whether she would need to recuse herself.

The Clerk asked that the matter not return for discussion until Dodd has been able to gather requested information.

Bates stated that she would like the opportunity to discuss repercussions with Swinger and Dodd.

Hempfling asked for a recommendation from Planning Commission.

Wintrow reiterated that all issues should be clarified before the discussion returns.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:00pm, Simms MOVED and Housh SECONDED a MOTION TO ADJOURN. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

Please note: These notes are not verbatim. A DVD copy of the meeting is available for viewing in the Clerk of Council’s office between 9am and 3pm Monday through Friday or any time via youtube link from the Village website: www.yso.com.

Karen Wintrow, President

Attest: Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council