Present – Members Ken Aselage, Gary Strasser, Darla Bender, Randy Van Horn, Andy Baldonado, Riley Schumpert; Mayor Mark Pulfer, Fiscal Officer Stacy Meyer, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Police Chief Goudy, Solicitor Brinkman, Todd Garrett, Bill Shoemaker, Sherry Shoemaker.

Mayor Pulfer called the meeting to order with roll call followed by opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Schumpert made a motion to waive the reading of the January 24, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by D. Bender. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Aselage moved to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2023 meeting, seconded by D. Bender. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Invoices were presented for payment. Schumpert moved and Aselage seconded to approve payments. Roll call – All Yeas.

Aselage moved and Baldonado seconded to approve the financial reports. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Amended agenda approved by verbal vote. Roll Call – All Yeas.

**Citizen Concerns:**

- Bill Shoemaker notes, he contacted then administrator Geuy in September, regarding a possible variance for the property he owns. Preliminary drawings have been started based on verbal approvals from Geuy. Final site plans are underway and various questions were emailed to the administrator with no response. He requests if someone could look into the questions so they can move forward with bringing business into the Village. After discussion, the tax abatement forms will be re-submitted for processing. Pulfer states, the questions will be answered and the variance and CRA application will be processed moving forward.

A list of questions was submitted, to be asked at this time. Letters for Timber Trail sidewalks have not gone out yet. Meyer gave all the necessary information to Geuy. The Village was charged $225 to have a firm fill out a preliminary grant application. There is no update on grants for the park. Letters have not gone out for the 2023 sidewalk program yet.

**Legislation:**

Tabled Ordinance 22-1820 **Tabled** – 2023 SIDEWALK NECESSITY

Resolution 23-933 – A RESOLUTION DESIRING TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE SHELBY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR A RADIO TOWER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Strasser moved and Aselage seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Strasser moved and Schumpert seconded to adopt the Resolution. Roll Cal – All Yeas.

**Reports:**

Mayor – The next Mayor’s meeting will be held in April. Choice One Engineering will be contacted regarding the sidewalk program status. Angela Hamburg will be contacted for the CRAs. Zoning board of appeals will meet for the Shoemaker variance. Letters will be looked in to for the sidewalk projects. A bucket truck was purchased for the public works department. Larger potholes have been fixed. Dead trees will be cut down. Maintenance on pumps is currently being done at the wastewater treatment plant. New public works employee decided this was not a good fit for him and his last day was February 3rd. Council approved hiring one public works employee last time and two were hired. Dawson would like to hire another full-time employee. CEU classes will be attended by employees.

Fiscal Officer – Received the certificate of estimated resources from the County Auditor. Currently working on the notes to the financial statement. End of year procedures are still progressing. Initial contact has been made by the firm completing the 2021 and 2022 audit. Endowment Fund applications are due March 2nd.

Police Chief – Coffee with the Chief this past Saturday went well. Questions and concerns were voiced and addressed. Statistics from 2022 have been finalized and were significantly higher. This is due to the increase in manpower and the bulk of the calls are being handled by the department. Information received from the courts indicates the Village of Anna being the most active Village in the County for cases submitted. Officers are being proactive and cases are being prosecuted.

Finance and Personnel – Baldonado, D. Bender, Schumpert, Strasser, Aselage present. Cost per page for records requests evaluated. Refuse contract will expire in February of 2024. Options need to be evaluated. Gear for the fire department was discussed. Next meeting is March 14, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Public Works – Next meeting is February 28, 2023 at 6:30 P.M.

Safety and Refuse – Next meeting is February 28, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Parks and Recreation – Next meeting will be held March 14, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.

Planning Commission – Next meeting is February 7, 2023.

**Old Business**

**-** Mayor’s Court funds will need a court order to be able to be moved. Brinkman will look into this.

- No update on the park grants.

- Committee vacancies will be looked in to.

- Jess Geuy contacted many contractors to submit bids for the Village sidewalks at Timber Trail. After multiple requests, only one quote was received. Pulfer recommends awarding the contract. Aselage moved and Schumpert seconded to award to Wannemacher Construction for $19,640.00. Roll Call – All Yeas.

**New Business**

**-** After discussion, it is recommended to increase the per page cost to $.25 for public records requests. An Ordinance will be drafted.

- A resident has inquired about a ‘senior rate’ for the water and sewer utility bill. Council is not in favor of this.

- The refuse contract with Republic Services will expire in February 2024. A letter will be drafted for potential companies and Pulfer will bring this up at the next Mayor’s meeting.

D. Bender moved and Schumpert seconded to go into executive session for personnel regarding employment. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Return to open session.

Jess Geuy’s last day with the Village was February 10th. Meyer will post the Village Administrator’s position tomorrow. First review of applications will be February 28th. Pulfer will contact other municipalities for leads.

There being no further business to come before the group, it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

This meeting is held in compliance with Amended Section 121.22 of the ORC.

Time: 8:33 P.M.

Mark Pulfer, Mayor Stacy Meyer, Fiscal Officer