Present – Members Ken Aselage, Gary Strasser, Darla Bender, Randy Van Horn, Andy Baldonado, Riley Schumpert; Fiscal Officer Stacy Meyer, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Police Chief Goudy, Public Works Superintendent Jake Schumpert, Solicitor Eric Ambos, Jenny Maurer, Cindy Naseman, Andrew Higgins, Kristen Johnson, Todd Garrett.

Council President Ken Aselage called the meeting to order with roll call followed by opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Strasser made a motion to waive the reading of the June 28, 2022 meeting minutes, seconded by R. Schumpert. Roll Call – All Yeas.

R. Schumpert moved to approve the minutes from the June 28, 2022 meeting, seconded by Van Horn. Roll call – Baldonado Abstained; Remaining, All Yeas.

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

Strasser moved and Van Horn seconded to approve the bank reconciliation and reports. Roll Call – All Yeas.

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

**Citizen Concerns:**

- Naseman thanks public works for replacing the pump at the park. Gravel is needed to be brought in around the fountain area and surrounding. There are three large trees that are dead near the entrance that could become a liability. Aselage notes, the trees will be addressed in the fall or winter. Various corporation signs need to be moved to their appropriate locations. Sidewalks around the Timber Trail detention basin are possible and the responsibility of the Village. Naseman inquires on the status of the letters that were going out to the residents needing sidewalks on Timber Trail. Aselage states that the Ordinance requiring sidewalks in new developments will be changed. Naseman urges council to rethink changing the Ordinance that requires sidewalks in new developments. She questions, why are we waiting to hire a Village Administrator? Aselage notes, when Pulfer returns there will be a vote on which applicant to hire at the next council meeting. Goudy notes, 308 N. Pike Street is not operating a boat business out of the residence. 302 S. Pike Street will receive a letter based on the condition of the property.

**Legislation:**

Ordinance 21-1797 Third Reading – AN ORDINANCE MAKING REVISIONS TO THE APPENDIX OF THE PUBLIC WORKS SECTION, VILLAGE OF ANNA CODE OF ORDINANCES

Strasser moves and R. Schumpert seconds to postpone the Ordinance due to the fee structure not being updated. Roll Call – All Yeas. Pulfer will update the fees.

Ordinance 21-1798 – AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 18-1755 MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES

Strasser moves and Van Horn seconds to bring the Ordinance off the table. Roll Call – All Yeas. The Ordinance fails for lack of motion.

Ordinance 22-1811 Second Reading – AN ORDINANCE LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR THE 2022 South Street Phase Two AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Strasser moves and R. Schumpert seconds to suspend the rules. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Strasser moves and D. Bender seconds to adopt the Ordinance. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Ordinance 22-1812 AN ORDINANCE MAKING REVISIONS TO THE HUMAN RESOURCE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL, LATEST REVISION OF MAY 10, 2022, IN REGARDS TO VARIOUS SECTIONS AND PROVISIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

D. Bender moves and Strasser seconds to suspend the rules. Roll Call – All Yeas.

D. Bender moves and R. Schumpert seconds to adopt the Ordinance. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Resolution 22-925 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Appropriations for the police K-9.

Van Horn moves and Strasser seconds to suspend the rules. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Van Horn moves and Baldonado seconds to adopt the Resolution. Roll Call – D. Bender, Nay; All Remaining, Yeas.

**Reports:**

Fiscal Officer – Monthly reports were included in council packets.

Fire Chief – July 4th the department responded to a grass fire. There was a lot of help and was put out quickly. While returning from that, there was a structure fire in another district. There was a lot of damage to the house. Everything went ok however, the top of a ladder was melted and needs replaced.

Police Chief – Various property maintenance letters have gone out for violations. A resident on Second Street has been notified they can’t have farm animals in their district and they have agreed to take care of it. National Night Out is August 2nd and we are anticipating a large turnout with several activities planned.

Public Works Superintendent – The new HVAC system has been installed and is working well. Sommers Inc is close to being done with the infrastructure on phase II of Timber Trail. The road and curbs look good. Looking at the middle of the week of July 25th to start hydrant flushing. Safety lighting for most of the vehicles has been installed. Summer help will be painting at the park.

Finance and Personnel – Next meeting is August 9, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

Public Works – Next meeting is July 26, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Safety and Refuse – Next meeting is July 26, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

Parks and Recreation – Next meeting is August 9, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. There were not enough members for quorum. National Night Out was discussed.

Planning Commission – Next meeting is August 2, 2022.

**Old Business**

**-** Council is waiting on Pulfer to return and a vote will take place at the next council meeting for the open administrator’s position.

- Pulfer will sign the Choice One Engineering document approved at the June 14th meeting, to proceed with engineering for the OPWC paving project.

- Aselage inquires regarding the status of the park west drive repaving. J. Schumpert has not heard from Wells Brothers regarding the sewer line extension or reached out. Van Horn requests J. Schumpert to follow up for the next meeting.

- Stop light sensors will not be looked in to at this point, contrary to previously requested.

- Strasser notes, the school will be redoing the basketball courts next to the football field. He will verify with Bixler what the plan is.

- R. Schumpert purposes the Village purchase 3-4 live traps for residents to trap and relocate stray cats roaming the Village. The police department will be responsible for the traps and loaning them out to residents for trapping cats. Council agrees.

- Mayor’s Court will be dissolved. Ordinances will follow to close it and distribute the funds.

- Meyer reviews the financial aspect of the water and sewer funds and how the proposed utility bill discount could impact them. Both water and sewer funds had a negative net revenue for 2021 and the water fund is currently at a negative net revenue for 2022. The goal council is looking for, is to get more residents signed up for ACH and email billing. If a 3% or 5% discount is offered on the utility bill, it would amount to approximately $9,800 to $16,000 in discounts over a year, based on a percentage of participation. Aselage requests figures on discounting water only, if residents sign up for ACH and email billing to obtain a discount. Meyer will adjust the spreadsheet to discount water only versus water and sewer. Our solicitor will verify if there are any laws prohibiting a municipality from discounting a utility.

**New Business**

**-** 2023 sidewalk program letters should go out in November. Engineering will need to be complete prior to letters being drafted.

- T. Bender notes the department will be losing a member at the end of the month and Isaac Egbert is a certified firefighter. Strasser moves and R. Schumpert seconds to accept Isaac Egbert. Roll Call – All Yeas.

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: 7:38 P.M.

Mark Pulfer, Mayor Stacy Meyer, Fiscal Officer