Present – Members Carol Ferguson, Gary Strasser, Laura Lentz-Fogt, Angela Wildermuth; Mayor Mark Pulfer, Administrator Mike Homan, Fiscal Officer Stacy Meyer, Fire Chief Tim Bender, Police Chief Scott Evans, Public Works Superintendent Lindsey Alexander, David Klopfenstein, Cheryl Kellogg.

Mayor Pulfer 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 July 23, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Ferguson. Roll Call – All Yeas.

Wildermuth moved to approve the minutes from the July 23, 2019 meeting, seconded by Ferguson. Roll call – All Yeas.

Invoices totaling $54,157.09 were presented for payment. Strasser moved and Ferguson seconded the motion to approve payments. Roll call – All Yeas.

Ferguson moved and Wildermuth seconded to approve the bank reconciliation and reports. Roll Call – All Yeas.

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

**Citizen Concerns:**

Cheryl Kellogg, partnership specialist for the 2020 US Census, gave folders to council members with information regarding the upcoming census. She highlighted some of the key details and encouraged participation.

David Klopfenstein, Anna Rescue Chief, noted their next board meeting will be held sometime in September. They are requesting to put a sign on the back side of the building, similar to the one on the front of their building. People have a hard time finding the building and they think a sign on the Pike Street side will help.

**Legislation:**

Resolution 19-887 First Reading – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REAL PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROJECT COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF UTILITIES UNDER AND ACROSS I-75 AS REQUIRED BY THE ANNEXATION AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY THE VILLAGE OF ANNA, OHIO (the “Project”) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Reports:**

Mayor Pulfer – Police statistics are available for review. Rotary report.

Administrator – The 2019 sidewalks have been staked by Choice One Engineering. The police department roof has been completed. The bid advertisement has been in the newspaper for the South Street reconstruction and the bid opening is scheduled for August 21st. There are a few things that Dominion Gas needs to do, prior to the start of reconstruction. The stop light poles at the intersection of Walnut and Pike Streets should be completed next week. The new employees had their 6-month evaluations and raises will be recommended at the next council meeting, when everyone is present. It was noted, that another municipality’s school, pays their Village $18,000 for the use of their park for activities. This money is used for the maintaining the park as that school uses the park for gym class, sports, and other school activities. Is this something the Village should look into proposing? More discussion will be had. Attorney Craig Albers will be handling the property maintenance issue with the Robert Roe property, 204/206 S. Pike St., as our attorney has a conflict of interest. The Puckett property, 302 N. Pike St., has not completed any improvements outlined in the original court documents. Affidavits have been signed to keep this case moving. Some of the other properties involved with property maintenance have made effort and have agreements in place. Ferguson inquired on the trash that CSX has left along the tracks and various pools without fencing. Some of the pools mentioned are considered temporary and do not require a fence. Ferguson would like to see the pool regulations revisited. Homan will contact CSX to see when they will have the intersection cleaned up.

Fire Chief Bender – The was a house fire that the department was called to in Sidney on August 6, 2019. There was a firefighter injury when a large piece of drywall, during overhaul, came down on top of him. He was in full protective gear and was transported to the hospital. A loss of work claim has been filed with BWC.

Finance and Personnel – New employee evaluations were highlighted and raises will be discussed at the next council meeting with all members present. The dual-duty between Homan and Meyer was evaluated. At this point, status and compensation will continue. The committee will review again in 3-months. The required assessment to the Anna Truck Stop property was reviewed. The final disbursement from OWDA has been made and the loan has been requested to be finalized/closed.

Public Works – Will meet August 27, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Safety and Refuse – Will meet September 3, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Parks and Recreation – The dog park still has some items to be completed. At this point, the Village might have to contract someone else to complete the work. Tom Albers is a potential advisory board member to fill the vacant seat. The board discussed potential charges for use, related to certain organizations. The Fall-fest is scheduled for August 31, 2019 from 2:00-10:00 P.M. There will be various inflatable toys, 9-hole mini golf and axe throwing available for a $5.00 wristband that can be used for all day fun. There will also be various food truck vendors and craft vendors.

Other Reports – Mayor Pulfer confirmed, he is running for another term in the upcoming election and praised his current staff.

Strasser moved and Ferguson seconded to go into executive session for the stated reason of pending litigation. 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: 7:54 P.M.

Mark Pulfer, Mayor Stacy Meyer, Fiscal Officer