

**August 19, 2025**

**At 6:00 pm., the meeting of the council was called to order by Mayor Douglas Plyler: followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**The following members answered roll call: Nicole Hilton, Mia Lane, and Tom Richter, Mia Lane.**

**Motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting by Tom Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nicole Hilton; roll call vote four (4) ayes.**

**Motion to pay bills totaling \$32,370.24 by Nicole Hilton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Richter: roll call vote four (4) ayes.**

**Motion to accept the financial report by Tom Richter and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Garret Kurtz; roll call vote four (4) ayes.**

**Motion to accept PNC bill totaling \$817.93 by Mia Lane and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Richter; roll call vote four (4) ayes.**

### **VISITORS:**

**Marvin Troyer, Marty Hershberger, Mike Schnell, Daryl Miller, Linda Riffle, Brian Trexler.**

#### **Mike Schnell-**

Tanker Truck- replacing old, selling 903 FFA pay with donation money. We pay down payment and fire dept pay monthly \$30,919.76 starting in December, then in May until its paid. Gary said that we would be set for the next 20-25 years. Mike suggested that they sell the old tanker on the govdeals.com. The dept is going to clean up the truck, and Mike is going to come down and take pictures, and we can get that posted on the website for sale, and whatever money we make on this, it will go back into the account.

**Motion to sell truck on govdeals.com by Garret Kurts; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mia Lane: roll call vote by four (4) ayes.**

#### **Marvin Troyer & Marty Hershberger-**

Both guys have a softball team, and they were curious about putting a big piece of turf down because there is always a big hole, and they said that it's not getting taken care of. Their proposal is getting this turf and paying for it, and having it installed, if that could be something that can be done. Keith asked how big the piece would be, and they said a 15x16 piece. Forever Lawn is who would do the install and dig out dirt, and place turf down. They would split this cost between Marving and Marty. The guys have a special request. They are curious if they can have the first pick of the schedule at the beginning of the season. The mayor told the guys that they would have to be the ones to maintain the turf and keep the upkeep on it that he didn't mind that they put the turf down on the home base plate.

**Motion to approve the turf at the ballfield by Garret Kurtz; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mia Lane: roll call vote by four (4) ayes.**

**Linda Riffle-**

She mentioned that she has lived at her house for 30 years now. In her dead, she thought that her alley was vacated and it was not her alley, that it was the cheese house alley that was vacated. She is proposing that they vacate that alley between 203-205. Linda said that it has not been taken care of for the 30 years that she has lived there and she has been taking care of that herself. She is considering putting a garage out back there. She has to do a survey, and we pay Doug for the paperwork.

**Motion to vacate alley between 203-205 by Tom Richter; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Garret Kurtz: roll call vote by four (4) ayes.**

**Brian Trexler-**

There is no maintenance in the off-season for the Little League field. Brian said that he is trying to build up more volunteers and not so many donations. He has mentioned that there are no lights on the field yet. The signage was installed on Sunday. The door at the storage shed was messed with. Filled in the holes with dirt and put the plugs in, and someone took the plugs out and threw them over the fence. People at the park need to stay off the Little League field. Brian wants clarity on who actually owns the ball field.

**FIRE:**

**Chief Gary Stein-**

Class at Mid East was cancelled for Dena and Dylan. Dena is now going to do Stark State and start Sept 13,14,20,21,27. It's actually cheaper here.

Caleb Meek is a new member who was voted on Monday night at the fire meeting.

**Motion the appoint Caleb Meek by Tom Richter; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Garret Kirtz: rollcall vote by four (4) ayes.**

New tanker down payment is going to be \$186,482, and the deposit is going to be making the monthly payment until paid off in the amount of \$30,919.74 starting in December and then again in May.

**Motion to approve tanker in amount of \$456,982 by Nicole Hilton; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Richter: roll call vote by four (4) ayes.**

**VIT:**

A deposit of \$41,481.65 was made on Aug 1<sup>st</sup>, and of this amount, \$21,572.32 represents the ½%. The deposit for Aug 15<sup>th</sup> was made in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, and of this amount \$\_\_\_\_\_ represents the ½%.

## **COMMUNITY INTEREST/PARKS/MAINTENANCE:**

### **Wayne Troyer-**

May 8<sup>th</sup> is going to be the community day next year for the Garaway Seniors.

Wood electric will be here to install LED lights in the next few weeks.

There are pictures being passed around about the dug out shingles being ripped off the dug outs at the baseball field.

## **STREET/EQUIPMENT:**

### **Thomas Richter-**

We are rep[airing] 2 catch basins in front of the Lutheran Church.

Street paving is supposed to be done 8/19. Gessner's will be here this week to seal and pave the path. They are also going to repair E Main St. Gerber's truck traffic will be reduced by mid-September in an amount \$1,083. They are also coming back in October to do McQueen Drive and a couple more.

There has not been any word on a Salt delivery as of yet.

We need to have an auction for the salt spreader and brush hog, and many more items that are needed to get rid of. Myron Miller charges 10% commission and 10 % buyer's premium.

Bushes at Craig & Sunset are trimmed and taken care of.

The drain at pavilion has a big hole where they dug out to put new catch basins. We are still cleaning up the tree on West Main.

## **FINANCE:**

### **Tom Richter (interim)-**

## **LANDS, BUILDINGS, DEVELOPMENT/ CEMETERY:**

### **Garrett Kurtz –**

Tree trimming is going to be the end of the month or in Sept for the dead trees at the cemetery.

Drainage is going across the Richardsons' property. Will need to look in the Omega grant.

Look into cameras for the park and ballfields at Southeast Security.

## **TREE COMMISSION:**

### **Mia Lane-**

Ray St tree needs to be removed, and sidewalk needs to be replaced.

## **ZONING:**

### **Keith Ely-**

There has been one urban Agri permit.

**FISCAL OFFICER:**

**Dena Jones Burrier-**

We are going to have an indigent Patricia Mayle through Smith Varns. Still waiting on more information.

**Mayor:**

**Doug Plyler-**

Nothing at this time.

**Motion** to Adjourn by Tom Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Garret Kurtz.

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