6:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Behnken. A roll call was answered aye by Trustee Kearns, Politsch and Feder. Also present was Chris Remick, Superintendent of Public Works. Trustee Newbold, Geppert, and Fitzgerald were absent.

VISITORS

Mark Schreder was present for observation.

READINGOF THE JOURNAL(MINUTES)

The minutes from the June 19, 2023, board meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Kearns, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2023, board meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

The minutes from the June 8, 2023, COW meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch, seconded by Trustee Kearns, to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2023, COW meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

MAYOR

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve a $500 donation to the Bicycle Brigade for homecoming participation.

A motion was made by Trustee Kearns and seconded by Trustee Feder to approve the $500 donation to the Bicycle Brigade for the homecoming parade. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the hiring of Cody Powell as a part-time police officer contingent upon a satisfactory background check.

A motion was made by Trustee Kearns and seconded by Trustee Feder to approve the hiring of Cody Powell as a part-time police officer contingent upon a satisfactory background check. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the purchase of ballistic shield from Arms Unlimited for $885.00.

A motion was made by Trustee Kearns and seconded by Trustee Politsch to approve the purchase of a ballistic shield from Arms Unlimited for $885.00. A vote was answered aye by all present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the purchase of an in-car video camera from 10-8 Video for Detective Renner’s squad car.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Politsch to have an in-car video camera from 10-8 Video for Detective Renner’s Squad car. A vote was answered aye by all present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the purchase of installing a fence around Marina power supply from Wm Wachtel Services.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Kearns to have a fence installed around the Marina Power Supply by Wm Wachtel. A vote was answered aye by all present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to ratify New Athens Ambulance Service and Monroe County EMS mutual aid and assistance agreement.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Kearns to ratify New Athens Ambulance Service and Monroe County EMS mutual aid and assistance agreement.

A vote was answered aye by all members present.

VILLAGECLERK

The Village Clerk requested to close Village Hall on July 21, 2023, to work on end of the year filing.

TREASURER’STIME

The Treasurer had nothing to report.

POLICECHIEF

Chief Buehler stated he has another applicant Cody Powell for the part-time police officer and would be interested in moving forward with hiring him.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Nothing to report.

AMBULANCE SERVICE DIRECTOR

Nothing to report.

 REPORTOFSTANDINGCOMMITTEES

STREETS AND ALLEYS

Nothing to report.

FINANCE AND AUDIT

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve to pay the bills in the monthly audit.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Politsch to approve paying the bills in the monthly audit. A vote was answered by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the transfer request.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Feder to approve the transfer request. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

WATERANDSEWER

Nothing to report.

PERSONNEL

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PARKS

Nothing to report.

CEMETERY

Nothing to report.

ORDINANCE

Nothing to report.

IMPROVEMENTS AND GRANTS

Trustee Politsch stated that the entrance at the triangle looks nice with the new landscaping.

PUBLIC SAFETY/ADA

Nothing to report.

MARINA

Nothing to report.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES

Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Kearns, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 Joe Behnken, Village President

Amy Ohlendorf, Village Clerk