

West Union Village Council

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West Union Village Council met in a Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on 5-9-2023, at the Municipal Building. Mayor Jason Buda presiding. Call to order, roll call and pledge to the flag: Mark Brewer – present, Jimmy Nichols - present, Jason Francis – present, Mary Jane Campbell – present, Randy Brewer – present, Donna Young – present, also in attendance: Melissa J. Hall – Fiscal Officer, Shelley Gifford – Treasurer, Jerry Kirker – Village Administrator, Danni Studebaker – EMS Director, JR Kirker – Fire Chief, Tom Mayes -Village Solicitor, Kent Bryan, CT Consultants.

Motion by Randy Brewer, second by Donna Young, to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting on 4-25-2023 as distributed, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Mark Brewer, second by Jimmy Nichols, to accept the statement of receipts for Mayor’s Court for the month of April in the net amount of \$1,265.00, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Jason Francis asked the status on the clearing out of the old files in Mayor’s Court?
Mayor Buda – she is through “P” now.

Mayor Buda – Discussed the duplication of numbers on Ordinance 2023-11. Asked council for a motion to suspend the rules. *Tom Mayes* – we do not need to suspend the rules. We just had a duplication of the Ordinance number, so we just need to clarify that. The ordinance has already passed we just need to fix the numbers.

Motion by Donna Young, second by Mark Brewer, to change the “Ordinance number only” on Ordinance No. 2023-11- Authorizing the sale of Personal Property of the Village of West Union no longer needed for any municipal purpose and declaring an emergency: to Ordinance No. 2023-13, all language in the body of this Ordinance shall remain the same, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2023- – A RESOLUTION TO PAY BRION HOWELETT AND CARLA HOWELETT FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE FROM SPECIFIED FUNDS FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST UNION, ADAMS COUNTY, OHIO:
(TABLED)

Mayor Buda stated the Howeletts may be at the next meeting to discuss this matter. *Jason Francis* – had questions as to whether a contract was needed to eliminate any further issues that may arise from this occurrence in the future. *Tom Mayes* – we don’t have a contract, but I can prepare a release of liability. Council has approved it in theory, this was to approve the payment from the funds and also for the water/sewer for the three-year agreement. *Jason Francis* – I want to clarify this would be the only payment the Village would be paying out. *Tom Mayes* – I can prepare the release of liability, but the Village is not liable to pay them anything, you are just trying to do right by your people. As far as any liability, you do not owe them anything. I think doing right by your citizens is always the top priority. I think it is a good way to do business and conduct Village business. The reason the insurance isn’t covering it is because per law, per case law, for all of these things, it wasn’t a known issue, and Jerry fixed it as soon as it became a known issue, to which is why the insurance policy didn’t cover it and because you all have immunity from those things. If it was a known issue and you ignored it, then you would be liable. But that is not the situation here, it was tree roots in a part of the line that never had any issue before, right Jerry? *Jerry Kirker* – yes. *Tom Mayes* – It never had an issue and as soon as it was discovered you all fixed it. You are not liable now, so I don’t know how a year from now you would be liable, but if it makes you all feel better, I can do that. *Mary Jane Campbell* – but by paying them, is this saying you are liable? *Tom Mayes* – I can put in the resolution that there is no admission of guilt. *Mary Jane Campbell* – right, you need to put in there that there is no admission of guilt or liability, that it is a goodwill gesture. There have been a couple of cases where they thought it was assuming guilt because people have

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paid and they have come back and sued. *Tom Mayes* – but was that governmental entities that already have immunity? *Mary Jane Campbell* – yes. *Tom Mayes* – I can do that before you pass it, if you want me to add a not admission of guilt or liability provision to it. *Mary Jane Campbell* - I would feel better to add the language to protect all of us. *Mayor Buda* – You want to table this until next meeting? Further discussion continued and the resolution was tabled until the next meeting. *Tom Mayes* will add the language in the resolution and prepare the release of liability.

EMA Lease agreement - the last contract term was dated September 8, 2015, and ended on September 8, 2020. The lease amount was for \$3,600.00 a year or \$300.00 a month. Council had discussions on the requirements for the EMA having to have an office space to conduct business and council discussed rates and determined that the rent fees needed to be raised. *Mark Brewer* suggested \$550.00 a month for that space. *Jerry Kirker* suggested \$600.00. *Mark Brewer* – I would like to make a motion to charge the EMA \$600.00 per month for two years beginning immediately. There were questions as to whether this had to be by an ordinance. *Tom Mayes* – you are just going to give me guidance and I will prepare a contract and an ordinance for you to pass at the next meeting. You do not have to do that by motion as long as you all agree with that. I will prepare the documents for the next meeting. *Mayor Buda* – we can do it by emergency next meeting. *Tom Mayes* – yes, and it will begin June 1, 2023, to May 31, 2025.

Report from Jerry Kirker, Village Administrator –

- 1) *Resolution Phase II Sidewalk Path* – we need a resolution passed for Kent. *Kent Bryan* – It is a resolution for the phase 2 of the sidewalk. We have ODOT funds coming into it and we have to follow their procedures for acquisition. We need to back up and do this and it will be posted on the ODOT website and we will see where we go from there. Mayor Buda explained that we are adding a new section from where it ended down to the end of the corporation limit.

RESOLUTION 2023- 16 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATION (SOQ), AND AWARD AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE DESIGN OF THE STATE ROUTE 41 PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY PROJECT – PHASE 2:

MOTION by Mark Brewer, second by Jason Francis, to accept Resolution 2023-16, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Jerry Kirker – we had planned on taking the sidewalk down to the Adams County Manor, but that depends on what the funds will cover. *Kent Bryan* – I just want to remind everyone that this is monies from 2 years ago and prices have gone through the roof. We have been talking about it for a long time. We are going to take it as far as we can. For Melissa’s benefit, ODOT posts everything on their website, we don’t think we will have to advertise it in the paper, so we won’t have that expenditure. We have asked by email and they will let us know. *Tom Mayes* – so by posting it for future projects, posting it on the ODOT website for these types of projects may be good for advertising, so we don’t have to pay to have it in the paper. *Kent Bryan* – right. ODOT has gone instead of requiring you to publish them in the papers, it is on their website in a certain area and that is how they are handling it. *Tom Mayes* – that is something to know about for the future of advertising costs because we had just talked about that at the last meeting. *Jerry Kirker* – I think the only ones that don’t do that are when we are doing the sewer projects. We have to advertise them. The EPA requires it.

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- 2) *Water meters* – We have been installing new meters. We have put that on our website letting people know that we are updating the meters. We have 100 in and 1,300 more to go.
- 3) *Ohio EPA visitor* – we have had a visitor from the Ohio EPA again down at the sewer plant checking things out. They are making sure things are running like they should be. They are well satisfied with the plant.
- 4) *Blacktopping* – we got a late start on blacktopping. We did do SR 125 below Community Fuel today and got it all done. We are going to do SR 247 tomorrow and then SR 41. I am having to borrow trucks. We have a truck that is broken down. It is not road worthy. It is a one-ton 2001 model. I have been talking with Shelley to help me find money, but the price of trucks and money is tight, but we are working on it.
- 5) *Sewer Projects* – Seems like everything is going well. Panhandle – hopefully in a couple of weeks, we will be hooking people up. *Mary Jane Campbell* – I heard that some part didn't come in and it is going to be August. *Jerry Kirker* – the only thing we do not have in is the upgrade on SR 125 by the Spencer's Farm for the lift station there. It has not come in yet, so it is kind of on the back burner. For the Panhandle project, we are just waiting on them to come in and start the pumps up and make sure they are all okay. *Kent Bryan* – we were waiting on some equipment a while back. The power is now in at the main pump station. The equipment is there. We are just waiting on people to come in to do the start-up on it. Then we can start connecting them. *Mary Jane Campbell* – can they work even though the other lift station up there... *Kent Bryan* – the other lift station is still working, so when that comes in, we will be able to work around it. That will not keep us from hooking people up. There is another screen that goes in at Copeland, we have got the screen, but we cannot get the concrete. It is a well casting structure for the screen. As soon as it comes in, we will put that in.
- 6) *Splash-Pad* – we will start it up on May 26, 2023. *Mark Brewer* – the kids were asking about it. *Jerry Kirker* – If they don't quit tearing it up, I am going to shut it down. It is costing us money.

Mayor Buda – does anyone have anything else for Jerry?

- 7) *Sign on North Street* – *Jason Francis* – North Street at the corner by the old Interfaith House, the sign for the Fair is upside down. *Jerry Kirker* – I wish there was a way to get Fair traffic to come in on Mulberry Street and come up Boyd Avenue. The semis have trouble turning off of North Street and they are hitting poles and knocking the signs down. On Mulberry Street you have the wide swing either way. I know it would be hard to do it and I don't know how we would do it. *Jason Francis* – can we do a temporary ordinance not allowing trucks on that road? *Jerry Kirker* - It has been posted years ago, that North Street has where trucks are prohibited on that road.
- 8) *Painting lines around the Courthouse square* - *Jason Francis* – Is that something we are still working on? *Jerry Kirker* – yes, we are going to start painting crosswalks and stop bars at all the enter-sections.
- 9) *Parking 20 feet from a Stop Sign* – *Jason Francis* – Ryan is not here but I have brought this up a few times in a few different committees that parking is supposed to be 10 to 20 feet from the stop sign. It is almost every corner that we have on the Courthouse square, people are parking right next to the stop signs. *Jerry Kirker* -

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we have got the signs, and as soon as we get back to painting, we will put the signs up.

10) *Parking Meters or Pay Tolls* – *Jason Francis* – I know we haven't had this conversation in a while, but has there been any other thought to putting in pay tolls or parking meters around the square? Did we ever get a cost on that? *Jerry Kirker* – I never really got a firm cost on it, but I can. I think I looked it up. *Mayor Buda* – one of them I looked up was \$4,700.00, I believe. I went up and counted the parking spaces one day. Just around the Courthouse not the other sides. *Jason Francis* – I will say I worked at the precinct for a few days, doing some Chamber stuff and I was thinking about the influx in traffic that is going to be around the Courthouse with that new café starting up. It just worries me that you can't get a parking space now and I don't know what we can do to prepare for that, but I want to make sure that that small business has the opportunity to have parking. What can we do as government officials to make sure that happens? *Jason Francis* - asked Mayor Buda if he had a chance to write the letters to the elected officials. *Mayor Buda* – I have written them. I didn't know if you all wanted to look at them first or if you just wanted me to send them. I meant to ask that at the last meeting. *Jason Francis* – you can send them. It is up to you. I drive by there every morning and I see elected officials getting out of their vehicles and their employees right next to their offices. *Donna Young* – it is not just the elected officials. It is on both sides of the road. It is not just right there where you see them, it is also the Home Health the Insurance, it is all of them parking right there. The bank employees park behind the bank and Blakes employees park behind Blakes or in their parking lot. It is not just one spot it is all of them. It is not just the elected officials. It is all of them. *Jerry Kirker* – it would be nice if we had property to build a parking lot, but we do not have the land to do it. *Jason Francis* - the parking lot behind the massage parlor on the square, on the other side of Rent to Own, they have a nice parking space behind that. Do you think they would lease us that? *Jerry Kirker* – I can call Tom Parton and find out. I will get a price on the parking meters for the next meeting and then you can decide. *Mark Brewer* – there are a lot of parking spaces down South Cross Street, across from the old laundry mat. *Jerry Kirker* – There are six handicapped parking spaces that they put in for the doctor's office years ago. I don't know if they are legal and if there is an ordinance or a resolution for them or not. The doctor's office is not there anymore. You could leave one and make the others regular parking. *Tom Mayes* – we could just do an ordinance allocating one or two of those spots as Handicapped and the rest is just general parking and rescinding any other previous ordinance that would be a conflict. A short discussion continued.

11) *Street Signs* – *Donna Young* – Jerry did you get the sign for Ballard Street? *Jerry Kirker* – yes, and I also got the sign for Virgil Dryden Way. I will get in contact with them and let you guys know when we can set up a time that we can put them up.

Report from Kent Bryan, CT Consulting –

1) *ARC Fund* - next Friday a letter of intent that is due for the ARC Funds. That is the one we talked about submitting for the curb gutter, and sidewalks on North Street. I did not bring a resolution because what we are planning to do is leverage the money that you already agreed to spend on the waterline part of it and use that as the commitment. The money, the local money that is being invested there, we will leverage it to try to get some additional money. That is in the works and we will put that in and see what happens. Also in September, we will submit it as OPWC because we don't want to miss that application if we don't get the ARC grant. We will try to get some grant money at least, to do that.

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Report from Danni Studebaker, EMS Director, WULS reported the squad had 54 runs for the month of April, and 730 runs for the year.

- 1) *Contract for Medicare/Medicaid (handouts provided)* – I received this email, where we are required to revalidate our enrollment through Medicare, and Medicaid. I spoke to someone this afternoon to clarify who needs to fill out this ownership form. She said since we do not have a board formed for just the squad itself, it would be all of you. Anyone who makes any type of decisions, billing, pays monies out or anything like that. This has to be turned in and mailed back to her because she has to have it all completed by May 31, 2023.
- 2) *Billing Rates (handout provided)* - We also discussed the rates current vs. suggested rates. We are pretty close on all of the pricing. There are a couple of them that are actually over, but she said if there is anything that Council wants to change, just to be sure to let her know, so we can get that started. She did ask and we did talk about the treatment and no transport since COVID is over. Since all that is gone, I asked her if there was a suggested rate that we could use. She said not necessarily, it would be totally up to us on what we would want to do. *Jason Francis* – could you explain how does it work with a larger adjustment rate on the Blue Shield, do you have a larger adjustment balance? *Danni Studebaker* – Medicare and Medicaid are only going to pay you a certain reimbursement rate. If you have a contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield, most of those use close to the Medicare, and Medicaid, guidelines, so therefore, we have to write all of that off. The ones we do not have contracts with, of course they are responsible for the full balance. If we increase our rates, then our actual adjustments are going to be more than what they are now. Last year I think we wrote off around six hundred and some thousand dollars in adjustment rates. I can bring a copy of the breakdown to Council if you all want to see it. There is a breakdown of how much each patient’s write-offs are according to their insurance. Insurance requires us to write off and those numbers are pretty large. There were further discussions on the rates that were listed on the handout. *Jason Francis* – can we pick and choose the suggested rates we want to do? *Danni Studebaker* – yes.

Motion by Jason Francis, second by Jimmy Nichols, to increase the rate for mileage from \$14.42 to \$15.00 per mile and increase the cost of ALS non-emergency from \$843.00 to \$850.00 as well as ALS emergency from \$843.00 to \$850.00, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Jason Francis asked if there was a conflict with the motion since he works for the hospital. *Danni Studebaker* - “No.” *Tom Mayes* –No. You all do not pay the bills, those are passed through the insurance companies, Medicaid/Medicare and the patients.

Danni Studebaker - Requested an executive session – *Tom Mayes* – you can give us the facts and I will let you know.

- 3) *Employee went to the ER after a severe reaction to something* - An employee had to go to the ER this morning for a severe reaction to something on a run. They thought maybe the employee had a reaction to a dog, even though he has never had any reaction to animals, other than cats. They did a urine sample at the hospital since they were not sure if the patient may have had some type of drug on them. They did not do the worker’s comp. process because they were not sure if it was something covered since it was more like a reaction or if it was just something with the employee. *Tom Mayes* – Do they know what happened at this point? *Danni Studebaker* – no, evidently the drug screen came back okay because we have not heard anything. But they usually send it in the mail. *Tom Mayes* – we will have to wait and see what the results are. *Danni Studebaker* – I am not sure if this will be a worker’s comp claim or

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if it was just some type of reaction that the employee has that they were not aware of. The employee had become unresponsive and we ended up with 2 patients in the squad. There were discussions on when the employee had worked and the types of runs the employee had been on during that shift. *Tom Mayes* – you are at the information-gathering part of the process right now. I think we need to wait and see what the cause of the issue is. *Danni Studebaker* – Do we only have 24 hours or something like that? *Jerry Kirker* – you have 72 hours that you can file. It could be something from the night before. It might not have been today. *Tom Mayes* – I think you are going to have to wait and find out. If they feel like they need to file, they can file, but at the same time, it may come back that it has nothing to do with the runs that the employee was on. *Shelley Gifford* – you do have the time and all documented? *Danni Studebaker* – yes. Misty has all the documentation on it. I will not need an executive. *Tom Mayes* – as long as you are documenting and going through that process. If they feel they need to file, they can.

Report from JR. Kirker, Fire Chief, reported the Fire Department had 13 runs for this month, and 169 runs for the year.

Mayor Buda – does anyone have anything for JR.?

1) *Burning Season* – *Mary Jane Campbell* - when is the no burning season? I know there is no burning in West Union, but is it this month? *Tom Mayes* - It is March, April, May and then in the Fall I think it is September, October, and November.

NOTE: Ohio Fire Laws: Open Burning is prohibited during the months of March, April, May, October and November between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Buda – Chief Myers is not here tonight, I excused him because he had another engagement tonight. He wanted me to tell you that he has had 620 calls for the year. If anyone has anything for Ryan, I can pass it on if you need me to.

1) *Homeless People* - *Randy Brewer* – a neighbor said they thought there were homeless people living in the woods across the street from me. I went by there several times and they are not in there. But now they tell me they might be at the Fairgrounds. That new part they bought. *Jason Francis* – there was a camp at one point, about 50 people. *Randy Brewer* – yes, I heard they have campfires. *Jerry Kirker* - I go by there every morning and I have not seen anyone. *Randy Brewer* – they have said they have steps made and everything going down there. *Mayor Buda* – I will tell him to check it.

Report from Tom Mayes, Village Solicitor –

1) *Camping Ordinance* – I provided a copy of the camping ordinance for you all to review so if you want to do something like that, just let me know. *Jason Francis* – the Fair offers camping for families during Fair week, would that have anything to do with this? *Tom Mayes* – No, this is essentially camping on public property. We can refine this and add something in there to state “any allowable camping.” There are permits for camping out there, right? *Jerry Kirker* – yes. *Randy Brewer* – the Bluegrass Festival. *Mary Jane Campbell* – SkinnyFest. *Jason Francis* – we do not sell them personally. It is through the organization sponsoring that event. *Tom Mayes* – we could put in there that anything that is on public property is to be through a permitting process or something. This is geared towards people just living on public property. Take a look at it and let me know if that is something you want to look at doing. *Jason Francis* – In a vacant property, squatting, is there so many days they can take ownership? *Tom Mayes* – not on public property. No. They cannot eminent domain public property. Squatting is a real issue that I deal with, with a lot of clients.

2) *Liquor License* - *Mark Brewer* – the Mexican Restaurant is now selling alcohol but the Mexican food truck that is up the street, are they selling alcohol? *Tom Mayes* – They shouldn't be. *Jerry Kirker* – they can't. *Tom Mayes* – they have to have a liquor

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license and the license has to be tied to a physical location. *Mark Brewer* – it was brought up to me because there is a Modelo’s sign in the tree. Do they live in the house? *Jerry Kirker* – no. They bought that house to put a Mexican Restaurant in. They were not making very good headway, so they put the food trailer there to sell taco’s out of it. *Jason Francis* – do they have a permit for the food truck? *Jerry Kirker* – I have not checked on that. *Jason Francis* – can you have Ryan check on that? *Mark Brewer* – everyone that has driven down by there has seen it and they were wanting to know if they were selling alcohol out of it. *Tom Mayes* – liquor licenses are difficult to get and they would have to be tied to a physical location. If they are, they shouldn’t be. It may just be a decoration. *Jerry Kirker* – I think the only ones that can sell alcohol is the Mexican Restaurant for now.

To the floor for each elected official:

Mayor Jason Buda –

- 1) *Facebook posting* – received an email about our Facebook page and our website. They were asking in the future, if we could make it to where our community could advertise yard sales on the page and things that are going on up at the square and different things like that. *Jason Francis* – We have to pay Bill Lewis to put that stuff on the website. I handle the Facebook page. *Jerry Kirker* – We put stuff on our website. *Jason Francis* – the Chamber of Commerce has created a website where people can go on and put community events on there. That would be my suggestion. That way our employees and staff are not using time for that. *Tom Mayes* – on one hand that is a good thing to promote things that are not village related, but on the other hand if you don’t promote someone’s event and you promote someone else’s event, you are setting yourselves up to catch heat. *Mayor Buda* – do they just need to call the Chamber? *Jason Francis* – you can go on the website and all events. I also do not want it to turn into a trash and treasure kind of thing. When I worked for the Informer, yard sale listings were free. That may be another resource they can use.

Shelley Gifford – Nothing to add.

Melissa J. Hall – Nothing to add.

Mark Brewer – Nothing to add.

Jimmy Nichols – Nothing to add.

Jason Francis –

- 1) *Wire for Banners on Main Street* – *Jason Francis* – I just wanted to know about the wire from Rent to Own to the Courthouse. *Jerry Kirker* – I have not got it put up yet. *Jason Francis* - I don’t know if we could come up with guidelines for that. Do you have any villages that have a place where people can advertise? *Tom Mayes* – not like that, but if people want to put up signs or banners, it is usually on a case-by-case basis. I think that is the way to approach it. If people want to use it, they would have to come and ask. You could approve it case by case, but if it becomes an issue at every meeting, we can develop some guidelines or permitting or something to go with it. I think at first, it would just need to be on a case-by-case basis. Other than Fair, Chamber, Lions Club, Memorial Day events, and village events, I don’t see a bunch of people wanting to use it. Most things like that in other villages where people put up banners or what not, it is for community events. It is pretty limited so they do it case-by-case and they approve it by motion.
- 2) *Air-Evac memberships* – Ripley offered memberships to their entire village. I think when the salesman came here, he told us that we could not do that. *Tom Mayes* – they have done that for years. It comes up every year. The village pays for all the

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employees to get it and then if the village signs up with them, all the citizens in the village can get it at a reduced rate. I can call and ask who their representative is.

Jason Francis – I can call. *Tom Mayes* – It has been five years since I have done that, so I do not remember the terms for that.

- 3) *OVRDC Grant* – I did not hear back from them on the OVRDC Grant and they have not announced any information on the website. Before the meeting started, I did email them just to ask.
- 4) *Treatment Center* – earlier today I saw a Facebook post from an employee of Cardinal Treatment Center, which I believe is going into the Studio 101, the old dance center. I could be wrong on that but I am pretty sure that is where the location will be. The post talked about how they will soon open and also open a male treatment residential home within the Village. That is what the post said, so I called the facility in the Scioto County area and they said that all of their residential properties are located within 10 minutes of their treatment facility. I don't know if we should send the Ordinance or a letter or a cease and desist or something to that effect to this organization letting them know that we have a moratorium on that. What I don't want to happen is they place people within their homes that are seeking treatment and then we have to have them all leave the site. I don't know if we could go ahead and send a letter just to let them know because if they open one, the likelihood of them opening another to keep that business going. If they can get a house in the Village of West Union for a reasonable amount that is closer, they are going to do that. I want to be prepared to let them know that we have this in place. *Tom Mayes* – yes, we can. Short discussion continued. *Mary Jane Campbell* – found the post and read it aloud. *Tom Mayes* – I will send them an email if that is okay with everybody. Council responded yes, please do.

Mayor Buda – does anyone have anything else for Jason?

- 3) *OVRDC - Kent Bryan* – which grant was it with OVRDC that you were discussing?
Jason Francis – it was their planning. It was up to \$20,000.00 or traffic active transportation planning. *Kent Bryan* – Jerry didn't you say Danielle is coming at 6:00 p.m.? We are a part of that. I have not kept track of the OVRDC planning. *Jason Francis* – so are we still having the meeting even though Holly Johnson is no longer with the County? *Kent Bryan* – yes. *Jerry Kirker* – Danielle, from their office, is the one that was coming down and Holly was coming with her. *Kent Bryan* – She was in Winchester tonight. She set up appointments with all of the villages to explain the program. It is an opportunity for understanding. *Jason Francis* – I had a meeting with a planner from the Cincinnati area for a different organization that I help. They said the likelihood of the small projects, like the ones that we have submitted, are not very likely to get funded. *Kent Bryan* – nobody knows. I will let Danielle explain it to you. *Tom Mayes* – The thing the planners can also do, correct me if I am wrong, but once they get your projects, they can match them with other entities and bundle them even if they are small projects, to try to get them all approved. Part of the Planner's job is to try to match like projects to like projects.

Mary Jane Campbell –

- 1) Had a question for Jerry about a bill. Nothing else to add.

Randy Brewer – Nothing to add.

Donna Young –

- 1) *Revisit the Yard Sale Ordinance* – I want to add one day to it, to make it three days. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday instead of just Friday and Saturday.

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Motion by Donna Young, second by Mark Brewer to add Thursday as another day that a yard sale permit is not needed, roll call vote: Nay - Jason Francis, Randy Brewer, 4 yea, motion passed.

NOTE: Anyone within the Village of West Union must obtain a Yard Sale Permit for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. No yard sale permits are required for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, or a Holiday. (No Yard sales are permitted within the Village of West Union on any Sunday.)

Mark Brewer – I had a question for Danni. Did the cat’s stuff get moved? *Danni Studebaker* – no, it is still in the building. Ryan has not had the opportunity to talk to the employee. The employee is doing better by not leaving the cans. *Donna Young* – do you still have the same number of cats hanging around? *Danni Studebaker* – yes, the employee is just not leaving the trash. *Jerry Kirker* – I will see Ryan tomorrow and if he doesn’t want to take care of it, I will do it.

Mayor Buda – we will need a motion to approve the payment of bills as submitted.

Motion by Mark Brewer, second by Randy Brewer, to approve the payment of the bills submitted, roll call vote: abstain for a conflict – Mary Jane Campbell, 5- yea, motion passed.

Identification Badges – Tom Mayes – you can adjourn and get the badges. I trust you all not to violate the open meetings act.

Motion by Jason Francis, second by Donna Young, at 8:09 p.m. to adjourn, roll call vote: all yea. motion passed.

Mayor, Jason Paul Buda

Fiscal Officer, Melissa J. Hall