VILLAGE OF ASHVILLE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FEBRUARY 13, 2023

Nelson Embrey called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Answering roll call were Steve Welsh, Roger Clark, Randy Loveless, David Rainey and Matt Scholl. Also present were Franklin Christman, Samantha Pemberton, Greg Sturgill, Adam Kehoe and Colton Henson.

MINUTES: Randy Loveless moved, seconded by Roger Clark, to approve the January 23, 2023 minutes as presented. All votes were yay.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

STREET/SERVICE: Greg Sturgill said that he would like to expedite the Randolph Street paving. Sturgill also stated that he has an old, unusable, chain-link fence at the Service Department that he would like to dispose of. Nelson Embrey said to declare it as surplus and dispose of as necessary.

WASTEWATER: Adam Kehoe reported that the electrician is pulling wires and is almost finished with the fiberoptic repairs. Roger Clark asked if Kehoe had a timeline of when the totality of the repairs will be completed. Kehoe said he hoping by summer.

FINANCE: The Fiscal Officer requested a Finance Committee meeting for Monday, March 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM. The Finance Committee approved the request.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS: Roger Clark reported that the Parks Committee met prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the local K of P Lodge building a new lodge on the property south of the WWTP near the Westside Park. Clark said the committee felt comfortable moving forward with the project with certain stipulations in place.

MAYOR: Mayor Embrey reported that he is shifting some responsibilities in the administrative offices, has been working with Jim Welsh on policy changes on handling water meter issues, and has Samantha Pemberton organizing a Council retreat.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:10 PM, Matt Scholl moved, seconded by Randy Loveless, to go into Executive Session to discuss the purchase of property. All votes were yay. The meeting resumed at 7:16 PM with the recommendation to move forward with the Village purchasing property.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

 Roger Clark said he would like to really focus on road repair. Clark also asked if the dilapidated barn behind 3 Long Street was in the Historical District. Clark said it appears to be a hazard and thinks it should be torn down.

David Rainey moved, seconded by Randy Loveless, to adjourn. All votes were yay and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

ACCEPTED AND ATTESTED

Nelson R. Embrey II - Mayor

April Grube – Council Clerk