The Byesville Village Council met in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 27th, 2019, at 5:30 pm, at Village Hall.

Those in attendance included Mayor Jay Jackson, Administrator Brennan Dudley, Fiscal Officer Brandon Gregg, Police Chief Jason May, and Solicitor William Ferguson.

Mayor Jackson led the reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrator Dudley offered a prayer.

Roll Call: Motes -p., Neff - p., Albright -p., Foraker -p., Kenworthy -p., Warner -p.

Clerk:

Mrs. Foraker made a motion to approve the bills, as presented, seconded by Mr. Motes. Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Mrs. Warner made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13th meeting, as presented, seconded by Mr. Kenworthy.

Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Administrator: Water Operations

Routine Maintenance and Operation: Clean and maintain sediment basins, CIP filter units weekly, backwash at least one Aeralater per day, maintain chemical levels. Welding on Aerolators.

Water Treatment Improvement Project (WIP): We are currently advertising for bids. The deadline for submission is March 14.

Rehabilitate Backwash Filters: Village personnel completed a necessary rehabilitation of the external filters. We completed the other filter rehab in fall of 2018.

Well #5: We will wait for the 2019 budget to pass before moving forward with the contract process.

Personnel: We are still looking for a Class III operator and or Superintendent. I have two documents for Council's approval that would increase compensation and make the positions more attractive.

Distribution: Repair leaks as needed, service calls, shut offs, turn on, and OUPS tickets. Assist Street crew as needed.

Waste Water Operations

Routine Maintenance and Operation: Pressing and composting as scheduled, routine and preventative maintenance as scheduled.

Sewer Reline Project Phase II: Funds have been released and we will be moving forward with the bidding process in March.

<u>Street</u>

Routine Maintenance and Operation: Clean catch basins and culverts, repair leak holes, sweep streets, assist distribution crew as needed.

Glass Ave: RFQ's for engineering is due March 8.

Cold Patch: We will be proceeding with patching holes as weather permits. It must be dry for the cold patch to adhere to the surface.

Traffic Light Pole: Has been replaced per the previous insurance claim.

Misc. Work: Maintain streets, repair, clean, maintain equipment and facilities, cold patch as available, trim trees.

General Administration

Routine Administrative Functions: Oversee operations at the Street, WTP and WWTP departments, review and sign PO's and invoices, H.R. functions, payroll preparation, work cooperatively with the Mayor, Fiscal Officer, Income Tax, Utilities Clerk, Park Liaison, Building Inspector, Village Council, Police and Fire to ensure the day-to-day operation of the Village.

2019 Budget: Continuing work on the budget. Made the revisions discussed at the finance meeting on 2/21. As always, if you have any questions please feel free to call or come in to the office.

GPS: Attended a meeting with the developers and contractor to discuss the sewer line extension. In order to limit traffic on Seneca Lane, the project may be completed in phases with the first phase being the work on Seneca Lane.

Contracts: I will need a brief executive to follow up with the contractual discussion from the previous meeting.

Mayor:

Mayor Jackson attended a meeting regarding the Guernsey Power Station.

In addition, Mayor Jackson is continuing to work on getting grants.

The NatureWorks Grant paperwork has been submitted.

A networking event for local businesses has been scheduled for March 14th at 6:00pm at Village Hall.

A beautification meeting has been scheduled for March 11th at 6:00pm at Village Hall.

Park:

Mid-East students are expected to start construction on the new garage in a couple weeks.

Councilman Neff wants LED bulbs installed at the old basketball court.

Gun raffle tickets are being sold as a fundraiser for the Byesville Blast.

Summer league flyers have been distributed to the local schools.

Police:

Members of the police department have been receiving training at no cost to the Village.

Chief May reported that his department has responded to 223 calls year-to-date.

Chief May has reported that his office has been focusing on code enforcement.

Solicitor:

Nothing.

Village Services:

Councilman Albright heard that the asphalt plant is expected to open earlier this year.

Finance:

Councilwoman Foraker asked that council review a health insurance opt-out proposal.

Councilwoman Foraker expressed her support for a vote on the budget this evening and asked if anyone had any questions.

Councilman Albright expressed his concerns over the level of staffing, notably within the street and distribution departments.

Council discussed the lack of funds for new positions and Administrator Dudley stated that the vacant positions are in the budget for when they are filled.

Councilman Albright requested the immediate hiring to fill a position vacated by a transfer, which is currently being delayed by union contract provisions which allow for the transferred employee to return to his previous position within ninety days.

Administrator Dudley provided assurance that all of the employees will continue to help each other out as needed and that safety is always a priority.

Mr. Motes made a motion to pass the 2019 permanent appropriations, as presented, (**Ordinance 2019-03**), seconded by Mrs. Foraker. Yea (5) – Motes, Neff, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Nay (1) – Albright. Motion carried.

Legislative:

A motion to pass **Ordinance 2019-01** was made by Mr. Albright, seconded by Mr. Motes. The ordinance placed restrictions on garbage trucks and established inspection requirements. Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

A motion to pass **Ordinance 2019-02** was made by Mr. Albright, seconded by Mr. Neff. The ordinance set waste container fees.

Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

A motion to pass **Resolution 2019-05** was made by Mr. Motes and seconded by Mrs. Warner. Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Mr. Motes made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency for **Ordinance 2019-04**, seconded by Councilwoman Foraker. The ordinance increased compensation for the water and wastewater superintendents.

Yea (6) - Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Mr. Motes made a motion to pass **Ordinance 2019-04**, seconded by Councilwoman Foraker. The ordinance increased compensation for the water and wastewater superintendents. Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Mr. Motes made a motion to approve the **Memorandum of Understanding** between the Village of Byesville and AFSCME seconded by Mrs. Foraker. The purpose of the M.O.U. was to increase the incentive pay for holding Class II and/or Class III operator licenses. Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

A Legislative committee meeting was scheduled for Thursday, March 7th at 5:30pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Kenworthy, seconded by Mrs. Warner to enter into Executive Session for contractual matters at 6:45pm.

Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Council adjourned from Executive Session at 6:50pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Motes, seconded by Mr. Kenworthy at 6:52pm. Yea (6) – Motes, Neff, Albright, Foraker, Kenworthy, and Warner. Motion carried.

Mayor Jay Jackson

Fiscal Officer Brandon Gregg