

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OHIO
Monday, August 21, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.
Mayfield Village Civic Hall-Mayfield Village Civic Center**

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Regular Session on Monday, August 21, 2023 at Mayfield Village Civic Hall at the Mayfield Village Civic Center. Council President Schutt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council President Schutt asked, Mrs. Betsa, may I have a Roll Call, please?

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Arndt, Mrs. Jurcisek, Mr. Marquardt,
Mr. Meyers, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Schutt and Mr. Williams

Also Present: Mayor Bodnar, Mr. Wynne, Ms. Calta, Mr. Cappello,
Chief Carcioppolo, Chief Matias, Mr. Marquart,
Mr. Russell, Mr. Tierney, Ms. Wolgamuth and Mrs. Betsa

Absent: Mr. McAvinew

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

Council President Schutt asked, may I have a motion to amend the agenda to consider Resolution 2023-53 – change order – Worton Park Culvert Replacement?

- . **Motion to amend the agenda to consider Resolution 2023-53 – change order – Worton Park Culvert Replacement.**

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Williams, made a motion to amend the agenda to consider Resolution 2023-53 – change order – Worton Park Culvert Replacement.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Agenda Amended

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

. **Regular Council Meeting – July 24, 2023**

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Meyers, made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 24, 2023 as written.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Minutes of July 24, 2023
		Meeting Approved as Written

Comments From Mayor Bodnar

Thank you, Council President. Tonight I have a couple of comments. First of all, our State Representative Dan Troy is coming to the Grove this Thursday night. As you probably know, the State is giving a \$200,000 grant for some leaf mulching equipment. I will take the opportunity to thank him. If any members of Council or people in the audience this evening would like to come to the Grove on Thursday night, it's a Disco group. Hopefully it won't rain this time. Last time it did. Also, I invited our State Senator Jerry Cirino to come to the Grove some time. He has indicated he is going to come out, but he hasn't picked a date yet. That's what's going on this week.

Tonight, I have the pleasure of administering the oath of office to Mr. Robert LaRiche for our Architectural Review Board. Bob has lived in Mayfield Village for over 30 years on Wilson Mills. He has extensive experience in construction, supervision and management. With his background, experience and very nice temperament, I think he's going to be a great addition to the Board. I will ask Council to approve that tonight. Thank you.

. **Motion to approve the appointment of Robert LaRiche to the Architectural Review Board to complete the unexpired term of Thomas Lawler through December 31, 2024, and to waive the requirement that he be registered as an architect with the State of Ohio.**

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Meyers, made a motion to approve the appointment of Robert LaRiche to the Architectural Review Board to complete the unexpired term of Thomas Lawler through December 31, 2024, and to waive the requirement that he be registered as an architect with the State of Ohio.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Appointment Approved

Mayor Bodnar administered the oath of office to Mr. LaRiche.

Comments From Council President Schutt

I would like to welcome back Chief Carcioppolo. It's good to have you back. I would also like to welcome back Mrs. Betsa. Hopefully you enjoyed your nice trip with your husband Joe on your 40th Anniversary.

Next, I would like to welcome and thank Northeast Ohio Sewer District representatives Michael Blair and Donna Friedman for attending this evening's meeting to provide an update on the Worton Park Culvert Replacement project and the need for the change order contained in Resolution 2023-53 which has been added to tonight's agenda for consideration. Mr. Blair and Ms. Friedman, please come up to the podium for your presentation.

Presentation by Michael Blair and Donna Friedman Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District

Mr. Blair stated, good evening. Thanks for the opportunity to present to you tonight. Back in 2020, the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District finished the last of its four major stormwater master plans. This last one was the Chagrin River Watershed direction tributaries. As part of that, we looked at Beecher's Brook watershed which eventually leads into Chagrin River. That is the watershed that extends into Mayfield Village at the Worton Park Drive neighborhood. As part of that study, what we asked our consultants to do is go through their daily collection and record where we have impacts of buildings and transportation units and where we started having first floor flooding and where we have flooding that's either past the road or begins about 9 inches where it's impassible. When we identify those areas, we essentially designate those as what we call problem areas. As part of this master plan for the Beecher's Brook area, most of the Worton Park Drive neighborhood was identified as a problem area 1. As part of that goal once the problem area was identified, we asked them to come up with two solutions to try and alleviate the flooding we are seeing. I would say that one flooding while it's a priority, it's a lower priority compared to those two major ones. We asked them to develop alternatives. We tried to solve for the 100 year storm event. That's kind of our brass ring that we try to reach. In some instances we can instantly achieve that goal. In some instances either because of logistics or financial or other concerns, we may not be able to reach the 100 year, but we try to reach it as best as we can to try and alleviate those concerns that impact those assets and people.

Getting back to Beecher's Brook, we identified the problem area and came up with two alternatives. The preferable alternative was basically to replace the crossings and upsize the crossings on Worton Park Drive, on North Woodlane Drive, Norman Road, South Woodland and Woodland Drive to the west. We had been working with Mayor Bodnar and Tom Cappello from the Engineer's office early on when we were doing the master plan because we knew that they were planning on upsizing the crossings and we wanted to get the proper sizing for Tom so he could keep moving on his design and eventual construction. Working with Tom and the engineer's office, basically it was decided that we would break this up into two phases. He's taken the lead on that.

The first thing you see on the slide right now essentially is Phase 1. That involved the upsizing of the crossing on Worton Park Drive just south of Hemingway Road. It involved the upsizing of the crossing at North Woodlane Drive. Originally it was going to be replacing one of the culverts from Mr. Mackey's driveway to make it one long crossing but to meet the resident's expectation, we broke that up into two and both of those crossings were of size. During the study, we identified that this is a problem area. We identified one house as having flooding. That was at 6213 North Woodlane Drive which is that area in the yellow square there. We proposed to purchase the home, level it, do the demolition and widen the flood plain in that immediate area. What that would allow us to do is when that flow comes underneath North Woodlane Drive, it would spread that water around and slow it down a little bit so that you wouldn't have that rush of water continuing north and over on Worton Park Drive itself and to the neighbors further to the east where it takes that 90 degree bend. That's basically what's presented on this aerial right here. I will talk about Phase II in just a moment.

We did have a storm as everyone is aware of on the afternoon of August 11th going into early afternoon of August 12th. From what we saw on our rain gages, we looked at all those and the closest one to Mayfield Village is located in Mayfield Heights. When we took a look at the information it looked like over the 24 hour period, you had about 2.64 inches of rain fall down. It's a decent amount of water that's going through that area, especially in the Worton Park Drive neighborhood where there's a very small creek. The floodplain has been developed with residential homes. There's quite a bit of water trying to get through there.

One of the things that we did as part of the master plan study is that we actually modeled what Worton Park Drive would look like during existing conditions during various stormwater events including the two year storm event. What you are seeing here on the image above is the extent of the flooding that was predicted in existing conditions. That's even before the culverts were done near the northern part of the Worton Park Drive neighborhood. As you can see there, the channel goes from west to east in parallel with North Woodlane Drive. It goes underneath the crossing and then continues up a southwest and northeast trend going up to Worton Park Drive itself. We noted that one house was going to experience first floor flooding according to the model. We did note that there would be either passable or impassible flooding of Worton Park Drive and North Woodlane driving during the storm event and also the roads to the south of that. We did note that the other houses would experience flooding coming up towards the homes in the rear lots. But

based on the model, we did not see it was going to be entering any homes. With that in mind, that's how we develop those alternatives.

During the 100 year event which is shown in this image here, basically the 100 year storm event is illustrated by this dark purple color here. What we noticed is that the 100 year storm event, again based on the modeling, is that we would expand that flood plain. It would get up against the houses but it would not enter the houses either through the doorways or windows. We would have flooding there, but again, it would not be impacting the buildings. We would have further inundation of the roadways. That's why we wanted to develop these alternatives, to deal with the roadways and to deal with that house. I mention the house because of its location. It was advantageous for us to take that down and use it as an area for the floodplain.

As I mentioned, on August 11th and 12th, we had a two year storm event. About 2.6 inches of rain fell during that 24 hour period. We were fortunate enough that the homeowner at 971 Worton Park Drive took some photos for us so we could see what the extent of the flooding was. We saw how that looked in relation to the maps that we have for that particular event. To the west of this on the left would be where that floodplain is. The middle there would be the Beecher's Brook channel itself. This is looking northeast eventually towards Worton Park Drive. What we are seeing here is flooding in the middle there and a lot of flooding approaching the houses in this area. Just take a look at where the water is. Basically it looks like that was the extent of the flooding in this particular area. When we compare that to what we saw in the model, we seem like we are getting a correlation between the model where the boundary was based on this photograph. Again, you look at both the channel going through there and the flood going on the backyards. When you look to the southwest what you are looking at here is a new crossing at North Woodlane Drive and you see the floodplain that was created with the purchase and demolition of the house on this parcel. What was interesting to see with this photograph is that North Woodlane Drive right where the crossing is appears to not be overtopped by any large amount of water that would be a concern of getting the police, fire and ambulatory in there. And also for residents to be able to go in and out. What we didn't know and we again appreciate the homeowner for providing this, is that if you look a little bit to the west you can see some overtopping occurring both over North Woodlane Drive and working its way northeast towards this image to a new floodplain area. What we believe is happening there is that there are two driveway crossings in that location. Those are actually slated to be upsized as part of the Phase II work that Tom is looking at right now. Once that takes place, we do expect that we will no longer see this overtopping of North Woodlane Drive as you can see in this image.

To give you an idea of what we are looking at in terms of Phase II, in this image, what we are looking at doing is upsizing the crossings at Norman Lane, South Woodlane Drive, Woodlane Drive and then the two driveways just to the south of North Woodlane Drive. In addition to that, there's an area of extensive erosion that is coming near the home at 6206 North Woodlane Drive. We are looking at doing some stabilization there to prevent that from further eroding towards that home. There is a hope that with the crossing on Woodlane Drive, by expanding the floodplain there, the water will slow down so we can manage the water as it goes through the neighborhood.

With that, that's the presentation I have. I would be happy to try and answer any questions the Mayor or Council or the audience may have.

Tom Egan
1035 Worton Park Drive

I think somebody needs to look at the high school water coming from the back. It had to be almost 2-3 feet deep coming across that concrete pad in the back there. They made a 3 foot trench and it just went berserk from that point forward. The high school is our culprit that's causing it on the Woodlane side.

Mr. Blair stated, as part of the work that Tom is looking at is that. We discussed it with them. We put in three water level meters in the neighborhood. There's one right at that concrete that exits the basin. There's one on Woodlane Drive. There's one as it exits Worton Park Drive and goes into Progressive Insurance's property. We do actually actively monitor that. We get readings approximately 10-30 seconds. We do have the measurements over there from what happened during the August 11th and 12th rain. We also recognize that that basin is in need of some work. We want to try to work with the vegetation that's in there and do something with that. Basically it's just designed to be a dry detention basin so it provides some capacity for retaining water and stormwater. We are working with your engineer's office to address that. While the upstream area with the high school and the fact it is a culprit, it's not the sole culprit. You also have the branch that goes straight through the middle of the neighborhood and extends further upstream. Basically through the Worton Park Drive neighborhood and the neighborhoods up above, there's really no stormwater control measures that were installed when these areas were built to manage that water. That's what we are trying to do now, basically take into account that those are not in place and get the logistics and the finances to do something without totally wreaking havoc with the impact on the neighborhood. We are trying to adjust all of that. With our study, we are looking to manage it to try to prevent as much as possible any first floor invasion of buildings and roadways. I appreciate what you said, Mr. Egan. That's one of the things we want to look at with the flooding you mentioned. There is a basin at the high school and then there's a very narrow cinderblock channel that's very restrictive. In fact the walls are actually starting to collapse. It goes into a culvert in front of your house and it goes to that crossing. We do have a plan to try to address that. We are in talks with the property owner to see if we can try to acquire the property and if we can do that, then what that would allow us to do is to relocate that stream, get it out of that cinderblock lined channel that's falling down. We can widen it and bring it over to the south and route it in a way that we can get a different approach as it goes under Woodlane Drive. That would hopefully address the concerns with Woodlane Drive and with the restrictions we have with that open stream site and the culvert. Again, you are going to see lawn flooding. I can commiserate with everyone. I live in Olmsted Township. They killed all of my development. We get a lot of lawn flooding. What we want to try to do is address the roadways and buildings as much as we can and then deal with lawn flooding. That's on a second tier than the infrastructure is.

Mr. Meyers asked, have they entertained trying to put a retention basin at the school along the east side?

Mr. Blair replied, we had some initial discussions with the school district about trying to expand the basin for this. There's an athletic practice field in there. We could potentially try and modify that a bit so it'll hold water during the storm events.

Mr. Meyers stated, that's a potential problem.

Mr. Blair replied, it's part of it. When we talked with the property owner, they were not inclined to do that.

Mr. Meyers stated, if you went back to your picture that you just had up, is that the new box culvert driveway across the street?

Mr. Blair replied, that's the new one right there.

Mr. Meyers asked, that's the new box culvert driveway? It was a foot over that driveway coming across the road in the videos we saw. A foot. Over that box culvert. In the driveway.

Mr. Blair stated, if you can send it to me. I haven't seen it.

Mr. Meyers stated, but you're saying it wasn't over the road. It was definitely over the road in the pictures. That's why I am asking. The water coming down needs to be addressed more than downstream.

Mr. Blair stated, all I can say is that the images you have here are the images we received.

Mr. Cappello asked, Al? Are you talking about the property just west of Mr. Mackey's?

Mr. Meyers replied, straight across from that. The driveway with the new box culvert.

Mr. Cappello asked, Mr. Mackey's box culvert was overflowing?

Mr. Meyers replied, yes. It was that high over his box culvert. That's why I'm asking. It's not like it's the water downstream. It seems like it's the water upstream that needs to be addressed a little bit so they can slow it down. Water doesn't run uphill. The problem is there's so much force. It was crazy. Maybe deepen it and widen it at the other end, but it's not going to help the top end. At least the way I am looking at it. If you saw the pictures and were actually hands-on there, it was coming through the fence of the school like a spray. It was three feet up on the fence.

Mr. Blair stated, if you can send us the pictures, we would be happy to take a look.

A member of the audience stated, I can send you what I have.

Mr. Blair stated, if you wouldn't mind. That would be great. We are looking at stuff based on measurements. We definitely appreciate getting any pictures. For now and in the future. That

helps us see if we need to tweak anything or anything further we need to address. Getting pictures and video is very helpful. We do appreciate that.

A member of the audience stated, you guys came out the week before. This happened on the 12th. It was the week before. It was a Friday. The sewer district was in my front yard, a gentleman and a lady. He asked me did the water come up over the road yesterday and I said, no, in front of my house on Woodlane. He asked if it came over the pad of the high school and I told him the answer was no and he said good, that's what our meters showed. Fast forward to the 12th, they were out front the 13th in the morning, but they don't knock on any resident's doors to ask questions. If someone is outside they will talk to them. Had they come to me the 13th in the morning when they were out there to say what did this look like, I could have stood there and showed them everything, the water flooding out over the pad, all of the water rushing in, taking out a neighbor's backyard. It was a lot. But no one asks when they show up to the scene to say we are checking our meters. They don't knock on anyone's doors to ask questions.

Mr. Blair replied, that's correct. What they are normally out there to do is to check the meters. One of the other things they will do is our stormwater installation maintenance crew will go out to pre-designated areas. We take a look at those intakes for the crossings to make sure they are clear so if there is another rain event, especially after that, we could try and maintain it. They are looking at that and trying to deal with that and if there are any others they have to look at, they do. We usually don't ask them to go and talk to neighbors.

Ms. Friedman stated, we do have someone specifically assigned to Mayfield Village. His name is Francisco Rivera. He is the watershed team leader. His e-mail was at the end of this presentation. Please, anytime you guys have flooding in your house or on the road or in your yards, send those photos because that field verification is very very important for us to know what's going on in your neighborhood. We have 62 communities that we serve. We can't be everywhere all at once. So it is really helpful for us when you report it either to your Village, your Village Engineer or to us directly. Francisco is our person. Even if you want to call him up and talk to him for 45 minutes about where it's flooding and see if you can get it through to us where you are seeing these issues. We want that. Please get that information to us. If you see folks out on the field, you are welcome to go talk to them. It's just that's not specifically what their job is which is why they are not knocking on doors.

Mr. Blair stated, we bring this up in our Committee meetings in March and October. We have a new report a flood tool that allows the communities to basically fill that information out. It is sent over to us. We can get that report. You can attach images and video to that as well. That allows us to get that information and make those assessments. If we can get that information, it helps us.

James Rundo
6200 Hemingway

I'm right behind the retention basin. I will say with the high school real quick. We looked at the house four years ago when it was for sale, the one that you are monitoring, it abuts against the high school.

A member of the audience stated, it's my house.

Mr. Rundo continued, when we looked at it it had rained somewhat hard, not like this, but we went there and I watched all of the water just shoot off the high school. It's almost like having the world's largest plastic sheet. It just hits that and it's gone. It doesn't retain anything on the lot. That's one thing that stopped me from wanting to buy there. I saw it and I'm like, wow, that's going to be like a wave. Even when we bought out house on Hemingway I said, hey, that wave is going to come down here. We were a little concerned about it but we were high enough that I felt it wouldn't be an issue. I would think working with the high school, even if they, I don't know if you can use eminent domain or legal recourse because they kind of created the problem on the high school by making that plate to shed the water. They need to help slow it down. It would be nice if they did. It would help everyone in the neighborhood that's dealing with it. The high school is a big one. The question I had and I know this is water terms, so I will keep it short on this one. The landscaping and what they are going to do afterwards, I know it just got seeded, what's the long term plans, especially at Dale's yard, facing Worton and the whole retention area itself. It's going to be dry 90+% of the time, what are the plans to make it more palatable? Who's going to be more responsible for that?

Mr. Cappello replied, it is going to be lawn. The Village will mow it. Next year, we will work at the Service Department to see if they want to plant some trees here and there but otherwise, that's going to be a depressed lawn area.

A member of the audience asked, no tree replacement?

Mr. Cappello stated, next year they are going to look at possibly placing some trees here and there but not a ton.

Dan Hall

South Woodlane

The scale of those crossings is massive compared to the road. I was told they were that big because the roads may be expanded or widened down the road or years out, but I am guessing that is not accurate. Is it that oversized because that's what's needed to manage the water?

Mr. Cappello replied, the width of the culvert is to manage the water. There are no plans to expand or widen the road on South Woodlane. We made it longer because traditionally you go from right of way to right of way. The original runs were just a little bit past the roadway.

Mr. Hall stated, it's like 30 feet.

Mr. Cappello replied, on South Woodlane, Norman and Woodlane, the size of those box culverts are going to be 10 feet wide, not 14 and 16. Those are smaller because you have two different flows coming, one from Ridgebury down the middle of South Woodlane and Norman and it meets

at Mr. Mackey's house. The other one comes from the high school and meets together. The remaining Phase II culverts are going to be 10 feet wide.

Mr. Hall stated, my concern is the aesthetics. On Worton Park, they put the façade on one side but not on the other. I'm just curious if that was intentional or if they will come back and repair that.

Mr. Cappello replied, that was their mistake. But to go back and try to make it look like rock is not something worth for that short of a distance of height. One other thing, you are going to be getting a three foot high aluminum railing between the two pillars.

Mr. Hall stated, with a pillar, it seems out of scale. You could knock off that top block to the site lines of the properties so there's better scale. I don't know if those could be knocked down and lower. It would aesthetically be a lot more attractive. I don't know if I am making too much out of nothing, but it's a request.

Mr. Cappello stated, we will look into it.

Gerald Kasunic
6214 Norman Lane

I am just curious if you have pictures of the last storm on Norman Lane where the water was actually over the river.

Mr. Blair replied, the only photographs we received from this event are the two I had today. We received a video. If you have pictures, I can give you my e-mail or we can get an e-mail to you. We would really appreciate that. Thank you.

Dale Marston
940 Worton Park Drive

I have pictures on my phone. I don't know how to get them to you.

Mr. Blair replied, we can figure that out after the Council meeting.

Mr. Marston stated, I've lived in Mayfield Village for roughly 20 years. I have seen it flood one other time like it did the other day. It was almost equal. It looked as though hardly any good had been done. That's one thing I wanted to mention. Secondly, my neighbor across the street from me, 939 Worton Park, she's got erosion problems because of the rain. Her name is Connie Kellers. She couldn't make it here tonight. She had a problem with the rain too. She has a bridge that goes over the creek. It went completely over the bridge. You couldn't even see the bridge.

Mr. Blair stated, she's the one where it takes a 90 degree turn.

A member of the audience stated, I have videos from her as well.

A member of the audience stated, hers goes down to here so you have all of that volume accelerating into this narrow channel and then a hard left.

Mr. Williams asked, could you go back over the current floodplain that you recently put in. Could you explain the dynamics of that again?

Mr. Blair stated, the idea of a floodplain is that once the water comes out of the crossing at North Woodlane Drive, the idea is if you have a low wide floodplain as the water is starting to go through there you are getting more and more water coming through. It's also going to expand out. It actually helps slow that down a little bit. As it is widening out and slowing down, that prevents us from getting further issues with the crossing at Worton Park Drive and potentially causing a situation where you have erosion taking place. As you are having your storm event, the water is coming underneath the crossing. The water is staying in its channel. As the water is rising up, the idea with the low floodplain is that water has a chance to expand out into that area without affecting anything. That also takes a little bit of that velocity out of that particular spot.

Mr. Williams stated, the hindsight is what it is, but shouldn't it have been deeper?

Mr. Blair replied, there's things you can tweak better. There's opportunities still at that floodplain that you can tweak a bit.

A member of the audience stated, I am an engineer as well, but not civil. I understand what you are doing. It breaks the hydrostatic pressure and then it drops the pressure and slows down. If you go any lower, what is going to happen is you are going to make a lake. That's what you are trying to avoid right now which makes sense.

Mr. Blair stated, in the neighborhood, bedrock is shallow there. You probably have about 2 to 2 ½ feet to work it. What you want to do is slope it a bit so you are not retaining water there. One of the complaints we get when we propose putting in smaller detention basins is that it's a safety issue for kids. You don't want it holding water for more than 72 hours because it's a mosquito issue. We want it to basically spread the water out but we don't really want to hold water and have standing water there that presents either a safety or insect issue. With the design we have, we are trying to address the buildings and roadways. We are working with Tom and his office to see if there are ways we can address the channel between North Woodlane Drive to Worton Park Drive where we could maybe do some adjustments to try to get that water down a little bit.

Joe Fink

970 Worton Park

I am the one who presented the pictures for you guys.

Mr. Blair stated, thank you very much.

Mr. Fink replied, no problem. My concern is obviously the amount of water in our backyard. I think it's a little more than just lawn flooding. With the purchase of the house next door, it was

my understanding that would be a retention basin that would take on a lot of the water and alleviate a lot of the regular flooding we get. This was a pretty big event but two weeks prior to that I did get water in my basement for the first time in 15 years.

Mr. Blair asked, did the water come in through your drive? It helps us to know if it was back up from the sewer or did it come in from a window or doorway?

Mr. Fink replied, basically the red purple area there, the back of my house, that's where the water came in through the lower level. It wasn't sump pump back up. It was coming up from the base of the wall.

Mr. Blair asked, from this storm event?

Mr. Fink replied, not this particular storm event. There was one that was two weeks prior. Every time we get a heavy rain, we are seeing significant flooding. I would say it is more than just lawn flooding. The whole entire area back there starts to flood in all our yards. I have two small kids, a 2 and 3 year old. My understanding from when the property was purchased that that would take on a lot of that flooding.

Mr. Blair stated, I appreciate you letting us know. It was designed to hold the water. I appreciate getting any pictures or information that you can provide us, especially since it pre-dated that event. We are working with Tom. We will be in touch with him.

Mr. Fink asked, is there a way to make that property take on this amount of water without it flooding all of our backyards.

Mr. Cappello replied, the plan here is to deepen and widen the existing channel that we did not have as part of the culvert replacement. We are going to head northeast to where we stopped at the rock. There's a section of the creek that's flat. That's part of the problem too because it won't convey water. Water won't flow as fast as it needs to. We will excavate and widen the existing channel. We should be able to drop the water surface about a foot which would then significantly reduce some of that floodplain.

Mr. Marston asked, when?

Mr. Cappello replied, if the change order is approved tonight, they will begin after Labor Day.

Mrs. Jurcisek stated, Mr. Fink brought up a good point when he mentioned about lawn flooding. When does it become excessive? What's normal yard or lawn flooding compared to excessive?

Mr. Blair stated, we are focusing on buildings and transportation assets where it is basically getting in and getting into the house causing damage to the building. It's a safety issue for the resident. With the roadway, what we would like to do if we can in an ideal world, we would like to have the roadway dry during the storm event and have the roadway 12 inches above where the water is. It's very very tough, so we are trying to keep the roads above the waterlines.

Mrs. Jurcisek asked, so the yard is not taken into consideration?

Mr. Blair stated, we go to buildings and roadways.

A member of the audience stated, I think that lawn flooding is something that happens throughout the neighborhood. Is there a proposal that we can eliminate and make the floodplain smaller, deeper, more enforced that it isn't so widespread that the floodplain just expands to our decks, our windows, our homes.

Ms. Friedman stated, the stream is in the location it's in. It's going on the floodplain. This area as mentioned is very flat. The Village engineer's proposal is to deepen it and widen it a little bit. That will help with that but because of the natural topography of the land and the way this stream is located and then the houses were built around the stream. The stream was here first. The floodplain is there because of the topography. You are always going to have this floodplain here. The steps the Village is going to be taken should help in some of these storm events. Not all. You will always have a floodplain there because the stream is there and you have this water coming through the area.

Mr. Blair stated, we can try to see if there are ways we can reduce it. But as Donna mentioned it's relatively flat there. The infrastructure was built after the stream. You are going to have flooding during bigger storms that go outside the channel unless we build very large basins and take out homes. The other option I didn't bring up is that we were looking at the potential for taking out homes at South Woodlane and North Woodlane Drive and opening that all up and expanding the floodplain there. We will not do eminent domain.

A member of the audience stated, we live on the top where you have the two watersheds meeting right there. Is the high school sitting in a spot where it can shed toward Euclid instead of the Chagrin?

Ms. Friedman replied, based on what I was looking at today, only the back half of this whole property really goes there. The rest of it all goes north as you were saying to that other tributary. I don't think there is a way where we can curve the topography. It's usually pretty hard to jump watershed lines.

Mr. Blair stated, with the back part of the school parking lot, all that channels up towards Wilson Mills Road.

A member of the audience asked can you make it higher?

Ms. Friedman stated, we have really taken a lot of time tonight. I'm really grateful you had us out here. I am willing to pass out my card as well as a notebook if you want to write down a good contact. We can have more conversations outside of this one if that's okay to address your individual concerns.

Ms. Calta stated, I'm just the lawyer in the room, but unfortunately I have had to deal with too many stormwater problems through all of the communities I have represented. Are you able to re-route that stream so it is farther west so the floodplain is not as close to the residences there? Can you re-route it where the house was and then your floodplain is going to be more central through that area as opposed to where it is?

Mr. Cappello replied, by Joe Fink's house at 970 Worton, the creek actually went really close to his house as shown there. When we did the channel work and excavation for the floodplain, the angle moved the channel further to the west. A lot of this issue again is the fact that that creek is so flat. As part of this change order, we are going to go from the North Woodlane culvert and run half a percent grading all the way to Worton. That one section up until about the middle of 950 is very flat there. I am getting some grade in and widen the channel and we should be able to move more water and reduce the floodplain, but you will still get overbank flooding. It won't be as wide.

Mr. Murphy asked, Phase II is hoping to decrease the level of the water by 1 foot which would lessen the –

Mr. Cappello stated, when you say Phase II?

Mr. Murphy stated, Phase II that's starting right after Labor Day.

Mr. Cappello stated, Phase II for me is three culverts to the south. Anyway, yes, that's going to help us drop the water surface by approximately one foot.

Mr. Murphy asked, which would lessen the reach?

Mr. Cappello replied, yes.

Mr. Blair stated, what I am saying overall is that we are working with the Village to try and solve these issues. We are working on the buildings and roadways. I am meeting with Tom tomorrow. We are going to be in continued communications to try to relieve this flooding.

Ms. Calta asked, getting the information from the residents to you, it sounds like there's a good plan for that, do you do modeling with that information?

Mr. Blair replied, we have a data management group. With all these models we created with the master plans, what we are trying to do is basically treat those as living documents so we do do periodic updates with those so with that information, that would help us out.

Mr. Williams asked, what's the e-mail address?

Mr. Blair replied, it's actually on your handouts. I can give you mine as well so you have a way to get those photos over to us.

Mr. Williams stated, I have your card, Mike.

Mr. Blair stated, you can send it to Francesco or you can send it to me at blairm@neorsd.org. If there are any residents who would like to meet me afterwards, I would be happy to give you my information. We really do appreciate that.

Mayor Bodnar stated, Francesco Rivera's e-mail is riveraf@neorsd.org. He could not be here tonight but he would be an appropriate person for you to send those to and if you could copy members of this administration and Council on that so we can get the word out too, my e-mail is bbodnar@mayfieldvillage.com and dwolgamuth@mayfieldvillage.com. Any of us up here are happy to help you out. Thank you.

Mr. Blair stated, thank you.

Mayor Bodnar stated, thank you for coming out tonight. We are going to continue this conversation. Thank you very much.

Mr. Murphy stated, as the Mayor said, thank you for coming out. I appreciate everyone being so level-headed. I can tell there is a lot of frustration in the room. I can't believe there wasn't more kicking and screaming to be honest. Thank you for the effort from the sewer district.

Mr. Marston stated, thanks for having us. I have been here 20 years. It's only rained that hard where it flood that much one other time. I can't believe it flooded as much as it did in 2015.

An audience member stated, 2015 was the last bad flood. It came across the road from the high school. When the high school finished their new football field and moved everything back further, that's when the water started. If you talk to the people that live backing up to the high school, they will tell you that we never had water. There's a little creek between my daughter and I. We have never had water in that creek more than a foot prior to the football field renovation back there in the back. Now all of the sudden that little creek we have, her house had probably three to four feet of water in it Saturday. The garage flooded, the whole lot was under water. You would have to make a floodplain of four houses for the water we had on Saturday because her yard was totally under water. Every inch of her property was under water the way the water was coming off the high school. What you are doing with the Worton Park/Woodlane problem is attempting to make a repair, but somebody needs to go back to the school and say, listen, this is where our problem comes in we need to divert, re-route, detention, something, for the amount of water coming back through that wall. Three feet over that wall is a lot of water.

An audience member stated, the football field is tefloned with water. I witnessed it four years ago and it was only an inch of rain. It was like being in the right place at the right time and witnessing it. I lived in Geauga County for a number of years where I had a small creek in my background. I saw the dynamics of it. What I saw coming off that football field was nothing close to what I have seen being on a tributary in the Chagrin River. It never got anything near that.

Deeann Egan
1000 Woodlane

The stream comes between me and the neighbor off the football field. I had to deal with the high school over the summer and in May because there's trees that are just dying behind me on the high school's field that have snapped off and are just hanging there ready to fall on my house. I had to work with the Service Department and the high school to get a company to come out and put priority over taking trees down to prevent them from falling. Instead they are clearing land on Wilson Mills to put a road in. The priority on the high school side is, I understand the school and the students, but they also have to understand that they butt up against a community.

Council President Schutt asked, any other comments or questions?

Mr. Marston stated, I would just like to know that Connie Keller's yard will be looked at. It is suffering and eroding. She is concerned about it. She could not make it tonight. She is at 939 Worton.

Council President Schutt asked, any other comments or questions?

There were none.

Council President Schutt stated, as it was mentioned earlier, thank you all for coming. Thank you Mr. Blair and Ms. Friedman. We appreciate your hard work, Mr. Cappello as well. Thank you to our residents for coming and providing pictures and videos. Send them to the Sewer District as they mentioned and we will do everything we can in our power to help out. Thank you for coming.

Mr. Marston stated, thank you for having us.

Mr. Murphy stated, first and third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Come anytime you want.

Open Portion – For Public Comment (5-minute limit)

Council President Schutt stated, although we had a very good long conversation, we are at the open portion of our meeting now, so if there are any other comments or question or if anyone wishes to speak, please come up to the podium and state your name and address for the record.

There were none.

Department Head Reports:

Diane Wolgamuth (Administration) – Thank you, Council President. Just a couple of quick things. To follow up on this conversation, this powerpoint will be added to our website as of tomorrow morning. On the home page of the website is all of the information we provided through

this entire project. If you have videos or photographs we can include instructions on how to upload those. Citizen's Advisory is not meeting over the summer. Their next meeting is Tuesday, September 26th. I also wanted to mention that with regard to the microphones, we test them every time we are having a Council meeting. They work great. Then we have the Council meeting and they are cutting out. Our IT specialist Mr. Thomas said make sure that you turn your button on when you are speaking and turn them off when you stop speaking. They are wireless and they are always looking for a signal. I think that's why they cut out. They also think our cellphones hanging around probably interferes some too. Just keep that in mind. Also, a reminder that our Volunteer Appreciation Event is this Friday evening at 6:00 at Parkview Pool. If it rains and I am not saying it will, but if it does, it will be in this room instead. We will be scrambling to get word out about that. That's all I have. Thank you.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Ms. Wolgamuth.

Daniel Russell (Building Department) – Thank you, Council President. I have two items to report. Planning and Zoning was held on August 7th. There was only application on the docket. That application was approved with zoning approval. ARB met on August 10th. We received three applications. All three were unanimously approved. That's all I have.

Council President Schutt stated, thank you, Mr. Russell.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Third Reading of Resolution No. 2023-42 (Amended)**, entitled, "An emergency resolution declaring it necessary to improve the Aintree Park, Aintree North and Sandalwood neighborhoods by replacing damaged, cracked and uneven sidewalk blocks where necessary, all together with any necessary appurtenances thereto by the owners of the lots or land abutting thereon." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar. (Administration). (First Reading – June 19, 2023; Second Reading- July 24, 2023) (Amended 8/21/23)

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-42.

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

Ms. Calta stated, just a couple of things. This is the third read for this legislation. We amended it to include the list of sidewalks to be assessed. The homeowners were given some time to bring in payment. We have some that have trickled in since the legislation was amended. We had another one that came in late Friday and another one that came in today. Mary Beth, if you can take off the exhibit 6808 Wildwood and 6877 Deepwood. Because this was amended after the second reading, we also need a motion to suspend.

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Meyers, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-42.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-42.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated, Resolution 2023-42 passes as amended.

NEW BUSINESS

- **First Reading of Resolution 2023-48**, entitled, "An emergency resolution authorizing Mayfield Village to enter into a Service Agreement with Brandstetter Carrol, Inc in an amount not to exceed \$48,890.00 for design services and construction documents with respect to the Mayfield Village Civic Center ADA and energy efficiency improvements." Introduced by Mayor Bodnar. (Administration)

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-48.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-48.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated Resolution 2023-48 passes.

- **First Reading of Resolution 2023-49**, entitled, “An emergency resolution authorizing the Village of Mayfield to enter into an emergency services agreement with the Village of Gates Mills.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar. (Finance Department)

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-49.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-49.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated, Resolution 2023-49 passes.

- **First Reading of Resolution 2023-50**, entitled, “An emergency resolution supporting the *Kindland* initiative.” Introduced by Council as a Whole.

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-50.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-50.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated, Resolution 2023-50 passes.

- **First Reading of Resolution 2023-51**, entitled, “An emergency resolution authorizing the Village to accept funds in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$20,000.00) from the State of Ohio through its Office of Budget and Management for the Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program and make premium payments to eligible employees with those funds.” Introduced by Mayor Bodnar. (Administration)

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-51.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-51.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated, Resolution 2023-51 passes.

- **First Reading of Resolution 2023-52**, entitled, “An emergency resolution authorizing Mayfield Village to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program.” (Administration)

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-52.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Juncisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-52.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

Mr. Meyers asked, I have a question. Does this program go by the list of vendors that the State of Ohio sets forth? They have to go off of that list?

Ms. Calta stated, yes. What’s the rest of your question?

Mr. Meyers asked, so there is no bidding on purchases?

Ms. Calta replied, correct. It's similar to what we did a couple of weeks ago with Sourcewell Purchasing. This one allows us to go and use the contracts that have been already bid by the State of Ohio.

Mr. Meyers asked, so we use their vendors?

Ms. Calta replied, yes.

Mr. Meyers asked, can you deviate from that?

Ms. Calta asked, can you deviate from that?

Mr. Meyers clarified, if you find it cheaper from another vendor not on the list, can you have them do it?

Ms. Calta replied, I have done that before, yes. There is a process to go through to do that depending on what it is and the price. I have also had situations where you can find another vendor that is not listed with the State but they would match the State pricing. There may be a reason why you would want to go with a different vendor. Sometimes it has to do with availability of vehicles that has happened, where they are hard to find and you can find another vehicle that can get you a vehicle at the same price as the State bid even though they are not actually on the State bid.

Mr. Meyers stated, I just wondered if you could deviate from it. So you don't have to use there's?

Ms. Calta replied, there's a couple of variations, yes.

Mr. Meyers stated, okay. I know time is a factor any more. People order things and it's months and months and months. Another vendor could get it in two weeks. That's why I am asking. There's no sense waiting if you can get it at the same price.

Ms. Calta replied, correct,

Mr. Meyers stated, thank you.

Council President Schutt asked, are there any other questions or discussion?

There were none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All
NAYS: None

Motion Carries
Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated, Resolution 2023-52 passes.

- **First Reading of Resolution 2023-53**, entitled, “An emergency resolution authorizing Mayfield Village to approve a change order in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 to complete additional channel work for Phase 1 of the Worton Park Culvert Replacement Project.” (Administration)

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to suspend Resolution No. 2023-53.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Suspended

Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to enact Resolution No. 2023-53.

Council President Schutt asked, any discussion?

Mr. Murphy stated, mostly everyone has left, so they don't know if it will pass, but I imagine Mr. Williams can let his Ward know whether it passes or fails.

Mr. Williams stated, thank you Councilman Murphy.

Mr. Meyers asked, is this going to be enough or are they going to come back for more if this doesn't work?

Mr. Cappello replied, the amount is a discretionary addition to it. The original quote was about \$23,000 so just in case any unforeseen thing happens as the work progresses, they won't have to come back to Council.

Mr. Meyers asked, when they did this whole project, it was like they would work a couple of days and they were gone for a week and then they were there a couple of days, is this going to get expedited to fix this problem or is it going to take months? I got so many calls from the homeowners when they were doing it, that they would work two days and be gone for a week and then they would be there a day and they would be gone. I'm just asking, can we expedite this?

Mr. Cappello replied, they want to get off this job. They love it here, but they want to be done.

Council President Schutt asked, any other discussion or questions?

There were none.

ROLL CALL: AYES: All	Motion Carries
NAYS: None	Resolution Adopted

Council President Schutt stated, Resolution 2023-53 passes.

Council President Schutt stated, at this time, I would like to ask for a motion to table the next item as the request for approval of the recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission is premature. It includes a contingency pending BZA approval of a front setback variance. Once that issue has been resolved, the motion will be taken from the table for Council's consideration.

- **Motion to Table Motion to approve recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission concerning parking expansion, adding five (5) land banked parking spaces for applicant D.O. Summers & Wheely Clean Car Wash, 6447 Wilson Mills Road as proposed, contingent upon BZA approval of front setback. (Building Department)**

Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Jurcisek, made a motion to table motion to approve recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission concerning parking expansion, adding five (5) land banked parking spaces for applicant D.O. Summers & Wheely Clean Car Wash, 6447 Wilson Mills Road as proposed, contingent upon BZA approval of front setback. (Building Department)

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Motion Tabled

- **Motion to acknowledge receipt of financial reports for July 2023 and to approve of same as submitted. (Finance Department)**

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Meyers, made a motion to acknowledge receipt of financial reports for July 2023 and to approve of same as submitted. (Finance Department)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Financial Reports for July Acknowledged And Approved as Submitted

- **Motion to approve an expenditure in the amount of \$78,705 (1,500 tons x \$52.47/ton) to Cargill for road salt for the 2023-24 season. (Service Department)**

Mrs. Jurcisek, seconded by Mr. Arndt, made a motion to approve an expenditure in the amount of \$78,705 (1,500 tons x \$52.47/ton) to Cargill for road salt for the 2023-24 season. (Service Department)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Expenditure Approved

- **Motion to approve expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$13,000 to R. Tagg Exteriors for roof replacement on rental property located at 6500 Wilson Mills Road (Service Department)**

Mrs. Jurgisek,, seconded by Mr. Marquardt, made a motion to approve expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$13,000 to R. Tagg Exteriors for roof replacement on rental property located at 6500 Wilson Mills Road (Service Department)

Council President Schutt asked, discussion?

Mr. Meyers asked, is this a rental property?

Mr. Wynne replied, yes.

Mr. Meyers asked, is it something we need or something we can get rid of in the way of the property? We keep putting money into the house. What's the return? What's the rent? What do they pay?

Mr. Wynne replied, we have to fix the roof before we do anything with the property. Right now we are evaluating all of the rental properties to see what we want to keep and what we want to dispose of. We will be coming back to Council relatively soon with a request for approval to sell some of these properties.

Mr. Murphy asked, so there's no one in there currently?

Mr. Wynne replied, no, there's something living there.

Mr. Meyers stated, thank you.

Council President Schutt asked, any other discussion?

There was none.

ROLL CALL: AYES:	All	Motion Carries
NAYS:	None	Expenditure Approved

ANY OTHER MATTER THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL

Council President Schutt asked, are there any other matters to come before Council?

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Juncisek, seconded by Mr. Meyers, made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.