Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on September 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Council President Pro Tempore Roger Warne presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer

Roll Call: Christie Maurer, Ron Lusk, Roger Warne, Rich Wheeler, and Craig Bordenkircher were present.

- Also attending were Sara Warne-Fiscal Officer, David Kadri-Village Administrator,
   Village Solicitor Bill Owens and Ken Smailes-WTNS.
- A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Rich Wheeler to excuse Councilman Tim Cheney. Roll Call 4 yes.
- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to approve as written, the minutes of the September 14, 2015 council meeting. Roll Call 4 yes.
- A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Ron Lusk to recognize Councilman Tim Cheney's arrival at 7:28 p.m. Roll Call 5 yes.

### Mayor's Correspondence:

None

### Citizens' comments:

Steve Bordenkircher commented on the condition of the sewer drain located beside the Beverage Barn. Program Manager/ Education Specialist Jeff Wherley was present on behalf of Coshocton County Recycling & Litter Prevention. Mr. Wherley discussed acceptable recyclable materials and provided information on the amount of material being recycled.

### **Department Reports:**

Fire: No representatives were in attendance to report.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer Sara Warne reminded council of the Municipal Finance Officers of Ohio Annual Conference being held October 29, 2015 and October 30, 2015. The cut-off date for reserving a hotel room is October 7, 2015. Fiscal Officer Sara Warne requested a motion granting her permission to attend the conference costing approximately three hundred dollars.

 A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to allow the Fiscal Officer to attend the Municipal Finance Officers of Ohio Annual Conference October 29, 2015 and October 30, 2015 costing approximately three hundred dollars.

**Police**: Councilman Ron Lusk reported a citizen hit a pot hole by the Village Market causing damage to their vehicle.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor Bill Owens reported that a copy of the Tax Ordinance was emailed to the Mayor and Tax Administrator Shannon Hains today. The ordinance is not styled as an emergency and must be effective December 31, 2015. The ordinance was drafted exactly as requested. Tax Administrator Shannon Hains volunteered to attend any meetings necessary. A decision was made not to tax individuals under eighteen years of age. It was discovered that the village already had a Tax Review Committee listed in their Ordinance. Individuals now need to be appointed. Individuals cannot be appointed if they have been involved or contracted with the village in the last five years. With starting the approval process in October there should be no issue meeting the December 31, 2015 deadline. Shannon is investigating utilizing the Ohio Business Gateway which would allow individuals to pay their taxes online. The Solicitor Ordinance is due to be passed. A copy of that ordinance was emailed as well. The Solicitor Ordinance is ordinarily passed in December as an emergency. Village Solicitor Bill Owens is drafting an opinion on the issue of detachment.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator David Kadri reported the Main Street paving was reaching an end. The raising of the water boxes and valves should be completed in the next two weeks. Village Administrator David Kadri discussed the Issue II paving projects starting Thursday or Friday depending on rain. New guardrail reflectors are being put up outside the village on County Road 16. Councilman Ron Lusk reported that he had a traffic concern on Main Street. Individuals traveling east on Main Street turning left by the laundry mat are not obeying the law. The two signs posted by Dick Lorenz were also discussed.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Building and Property**: Chairman Tim Cheney reported annexation was discussed at the committee's last meeting. Village Solicitor Bill Owens provided information for the committee to review this evening. Councilman Ron Lusk expressed his concerns regarding the safety of the old bank building roof being held up by a pole and brick.

Community Relations: Chairwoman Christie Maurer had nothing to report.

**Finance:** Chairman Roger Warne reported the committee met prior to today's council meeting. The village's revenues and expenses were evaluated. Anthem insurance credits were reviewed. No action will be taken at this time. Fiscal Officer training was also discussed.

Fire Dependency Board: No representatives were in attendance to report.

**Ordinance:** Chairman Craig Bordenkircher reported that the committee met last week and discussed the Fire Department Ordinance change. The request was forwarded to Public Safety.

Park Board: Chairman Ron Lusk reported that the committee will be scheduling a meeting this evening.

Planning Commission: Chairman Ron Lusk reported the meeting was cancelled.

**Public Safety**: Ron Lusk reported that a meeting will be scheduled. A village subdivision lot split was briefly discussed. Ron Lusk verified the amount of cross walks that were to be painted on West Main Street and Maple Street.

**Public Works:** Chairman Rich Wheeler reported the committee met September 22, 2015 to discuss a couple of property issues and the Village Administrator's ideas on selling water.

Records Retention: Mayor Jack Patterson was not in attendance to report.

### Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2015-14: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2015-14. Roll Call 5 yes.
- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Resolution 2015-14. Roll Call 5 yes.

### **Committee Meetings:**

Finance- Pending
Public Works- Pending
Ordinance- Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 6 p.m.
Park- Monday, October 5, 2015 at 10 a.m.
Public Safety/ Fire- Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 5 p.m.
Building & Property- Monday, October 5, 2015 at 5 p.m.

#### Other Business:

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Rich Wheeler to pay the bills as presented. Roll Call 5 yes.

A motion was made by Rich Wheeler and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 5 yes.

ack L. Patterson, Mayor

Attest:

Sara Warne, Fiscal Officer