

# ***Record of Proceedings***

Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting on January 26, 2009

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session at 7:00 P.M., in the municipal building with Mayor Jack L. Patterson presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dave Rogers, Roger Warne, Kelly Gossett, Ron Lusk, Christie Maurer and Gary Loos were present.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2009 council meeting. (RC 6 yes)

Mayor's Correspondence –Letter from Coshocton County Commissioners regarding FY09 formula grant. The County will have a total of \$103,000 available for grants this year. Grant applications must be submitted to Commissioners office by April 1, 2009. Mayor also received a letter from the Commissioners informing Mayor and Council that they will not be able to give the pool any funding for FY09 due to budget cuts in the County.

Citizens' comments – There were two representatives present from Coshocton County Leadership Program to observe our council meeting.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2009-01 AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL EMPLOYEES IN THE Water/Waste Water Technician CLASSIFICATION AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. Rogers made a motion to suspend the rules. Motion seconded by Warne. (RC 6 yes) Warne made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2009-01. Motion seconded by Rogers. (RC 6 yes)

2009-02AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2008-42 ESTABLISHING 2009 BENEFIT, PAY SCHEDULE/SCALE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH. Rogers made a motion to suspend the rules. Motion seconded by Loos. (RC 6 yes) Warne made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2009-02. Motion seconded by Lusk. (RC 6 yes)

Reports:

Village Administrator: VA updated Mayor and Council on the Brownfield status. They want to do a pilot study soon. EPA agreed to pay for part of this project. VA also reported that he has contacted Larry Cornelius about insurance for the ball diamonds. Time Warner has agreed to donate the 1 acre lot that is on the north end of town. Bill Owens is working on all the legal issues. VA asked for council's approval to use Donnie Bradford on the street department when help is needed for emergency situations only. After much discussion, council agreed this would be good for the village to have some backup help during snow storms. Council Member Rogers made a motion to hire Donnie Bradford for the street department as emergency use only at \$11.65 per hour. Motion seconded by Maurer. (RC 6 yes)

Police: N/A

Annexation: N/A

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Community Service: N/A

Finance: N/A

Fire: N/A

Fire Dependency Board: N/A

Grant Applications: Lusk wants to meet with Council Member Rogers and Village Administrator to discuss available grants for park improvements.

Insurance: N/A

Ordinance: Still working on golf cart ordinance. Chief Mardis is working on packet of information to give to committee for review and approval.

Planning Commission: N/A

Pool: N/A

Rep to Chamber of Commerce: First meeting of the year will be tomorrow January 27<sup>th</sup> at Lafayette Pointe.

Utility: N/A

Building: N/A

Village Solicitor: Bill Owens updated Mayor and Council on status of several open issues with delinquent taxes and other outstanding matters.

Clerk's report: Lisa reported that she has been receiving some income taxes in the office and the forms are now available online, at the West Lafayette Post Office and Library and in the Administrative offices.

Committee Meetings: Finance Committee	February 9 <sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm
Building Committee	February 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm
Ordinance Committee	February 2 <sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 pm

A motion was made and seconded to approve the payment of bills as presented.  
(RC 6 yes)

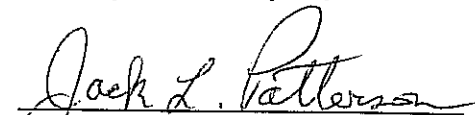
At 8:05 pm, Council Member Loos made a motion to move into executive session to discuss possible employment of village personnel. Motion seconded by Maurer. (RC 6 yes)

At 8:30 pm, Lusk made a motion to move into regular session. Motion seconded by Maurer. (RC 6 yes)

Council had a brief discussion about the Ohio Ethics Law regarding hiring family members for a public position. Council asked Village Solicitor, Bill Owens, to contact the Ohio Ethics Commission and ask if this situation is violating any laws. Owens agreed to research this matter further. Council Member Warne made a motion to authorize the Mayor approval to hire applicant pending a favorable decision from ethics commission and approval of village solicitor. Motion seconded by Loos. (RC 6 yes) A motion was made and seconded to adjourn until the next regular meeting on February 09, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. (RC 6 yes)

Attest:

  
Lisa M. Derr, Clerk

  
Jack L. Patterson, Mayor