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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting on September 27, 2010

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: Roger Warne, Kelly Gossett, Ron Lusk, Christie Maurer and Dean Wears were present.

Lusk made a motion to excuse councilman Rogers. Motion seconded by Wears. (RC 5 yes)

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2010 council meeting. (RC 4, 1 abstained yes)

Mayor's Correspondence -N/A

Citizens' comments -N/A

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

**2010-36 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 618 CODE OF ORDINANCES, ANIMALS** – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading

**2010-39 A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND (101) TO STREET FUND (201)** Lusk made a motion to suspend the rules. Motion seconded by Gossett. (RC 5 yes) Lusk made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-39. Motion seconded by Maurer. (RC 5 yes)

**2010-40 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2010 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS, ORDINANCE 2009-49, ADDING FUNDS.** Lusk made a motion to suspend Resolution 2010-40. Motion seconded by Warne. (RC 5 yes) Lusk made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-40. Motion seconded by Wears. (RC 5 yes)

**2010-41 AMENDED RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF PUBLIC FUNDS FROM DEBT SERVICE TO GENERAL FUND** Lusk made a motion to suspend the rules. Motion seconded by Wears. (RC 5 yes) Warne made a motion to adopt resolution 2010-41. Motion seconded by Warne. (RC 5 yes)

Reports:

**Village Administrator:** VA reported that the street department just finished putting new roof on the street building. The department is still working on the cleaning and painting the fire hydrants. The new lights for the park should be delivered sometime in October. CDBG grant was submitted. We should know if we will receive any grant money within 3 to 4 weeks. We are still waiting on ODNR to let us know why we didn't receive any grant money for the nature walk. VA would like to thank the residents for

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their patience with the problem with brown water. This should be all cleared up now. We had a problem with some filters.

**Police:** Chief Mardis read resignation letter from Corporal Opha Lawson effective September 24, 2010. Lusk made a motion to accept resignation letter of Opha Lawson. Motion seconded by Warne. (RC 5 yes) Chief recommends to council to hire Jordan Forbes as a full-time patrolman. Lusk made a motion to hire Jordan Forbes as a full time patrol man. Motion seconded by Wears. (RC 5 yes)

Monthly report:

Complaints filed	242	Follow ups	160
Traffic stops	23	Traffic arrest	6
Written warnings	11	Criminal arrest	10
Felony cases	3	Accident Reports	0
Total miles driven	1694		

**Annexation:** N/A

**Community Service:** Maurer wants VA to have the flowers basket on Main Street taken down.

**Finance:** N/A

**Fire:** N/A

**Fire Dependency Board:** N/A

**Grant Applications:** N/A

**Insurance:** N/A

**Ordinance:** Met on 9/20, discussed ideas about snow removal, boats and campers parking on streets for long period of time and blocking view of traffic, employee handbook, selling back vacations. The committee also is asking the finance committee to review wage increases for 2011.

**Planning Commission:** McConnell Contracting has requested two minor zoning changes because they want to build a 48 x 80 building. First of all, they will exceed the height limit. Also, they will exceed the 35% coverage fee. There was an error in zoning this area. It should have been zoned as B-1 for Business but was zoned as R-1 for residential. The zoning variances are in compliance with the B-1 rules. Lusk made a motion to approval McConnell's request to be reclassified as a B-1 with exception if there are any problems with the storm water, McConnell's agree to correct any problems. Motion seconded by Maurer. (RC 5 yes)

**Pool:** N/A

**Rep to Chamber of Commerce:** Meeting tomorrow evening at 6:00 pm at Lafayette Pointe. Trick or Treat will be Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 – 6:30 pm.

**Utility:** Committee met on September 20<sup>th</sup> and discussed staffing issues and reviewed bids received for the truck. After much discussion about staffing options, VA request authorization to hire two part-time people to use as needed until a full time person is hired to work in the water department. Council members asked several questions about the duties for these two part time positions. VA would like to hire retired water/sewer superintendent, Rich Wheeler. Rich has the licenses to operate the water and sewer plants until we find a full-time replacement. Rich would primarily be working in the water department. Lusk made a motion to hire Rich Wheeler as a part-time employee with hours not to exceed 20 hours per week. Motion seconded by Wears. (RC 4 yes, 1 no-Warne) VA then asked for council's approval to hire Tim Cheney as a part-time general

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laborer. He will be working on miscellaneous jobs with the street department such as leaf pick up and busting up concrete at the park area with John. Council members voiced their concerns and worries with this. Lusk made a motion to hire Tim Cheney as a general part time laborer with hours not to exceed 20 hours per week. Motion seconded by Wears.

(RC 4 yes, 1 no – Warne)

**Building:** N/A

**Clerk's report:** N/A

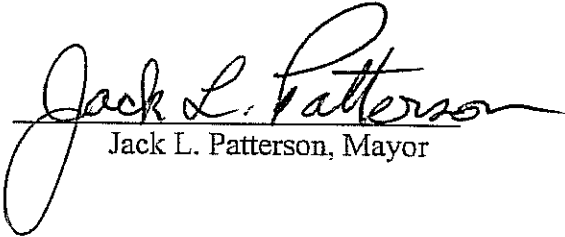
Committee Meetings:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the payment of bills as presented.

(RC 5 yes)

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn until the next regular meeting on October 11, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. (RC 5 yes)

Attest:

  
Jack L. Patterson, Mayor

  
Lisa M. Stiteler, Clerk