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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting on November 09, 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 October 26, 2009 council meeting. (RC 6 yes)

Mayor's Correspondence –Letter from Coshocton County Firefighter's Association Toy Chest informing Mayor and Council that they are accepting new unwrapped toys, wrapping paper, scotch tape or monetary donations again this year to help Coshocton County Families in need for Christmas. Toy donations can be dropped off at Coshocton City Fire Department 325 S 7th St. Coshocton or Walhonding Valley Fire District 100 S. Bridge St. Warsaw. Monetary donations may be mailed to Coshocton County Firefighter's Association Toy Chest Drive P.O. Box 158, Warsaw, OH 43844.

The Mayor congratulated the Ridgewood Football team on their 11-0 record and wished them the best of luck in the playoffs. He also recognized the Ridgewood Marching Generals Band for a perfect season and Brad Olinger for doing great at State for the cross country team.

Citizens' comments – Doug Hothem was present and concerned about the follow up action on some of the reported dilapidated houses in the village. VA explained to him that this is a slow process and when each case is in the court system, it is then out of our control. Our village solicitor is following up on the current cases. VA explained about the possible funding available through the county for the tearing down of the dilapidated houses. They have a grant writer working on this. Some of the conditions are that the house must be vacant for 90 days, must not be a community building. The application deadline is the 1st of December.

Some residents had concerns about the recyclables that people set around the recycling trailer when it is full. It was mentioned that it gets blown around and may end up in streets. Someone mentioned the possibility of the village getting a second trailer do to the amount of recyclables collected.

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Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2009-42 RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT MAYOR TO

SIGN CONTRACT. 2nd reading was given. After much discussion about maintenance issues with the ball diamonds, all parties agreed with the contents of this contract. Janet Michaels, President of Ridgewood Recreation, stated that is was never the intention of the Recreation Board to have the village maintain the park. It was noted that if any point in this contract is not met, this contract will be annulled immediately. Rogers made a motion to suspend the rules. Motion seconded by Gossett. (RC 5 yes, 1 abstained) Rogers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-42. Motion seconded by Loos. (RC 5 yes, 1 abstained)

2009-44

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE WATER AND SEWER RATES, FOR 2010 FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO, AMENDING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTION IN CONFLICT HEREWITH. 1st reading given.

2009-45

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND (101) Rogers made a motion to suspend the rules for Resolution 2009-45 with corrections. Motion seconded by Lusk. (RC 6 yes) Lusk made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-45. Motion seconded by Loos. (RC 6 yes)

Reports:

Village Administrator: The first grant was submitted last week to OPWC for \$175,000. Both dump trucks are in shop for repairs. The yellow dump truck is getting transmission worked on and the little red dump truck needs a new fuel injector. Hoping both should be done within a couple days. VA also reported that we have received our salt supply. Travis Hahn took his waste water class II and Tye Twarog took his water class I last week. We are expecting results back within 4-6 weeks. The best of luck to both employees! VA explained to mayor and council that he had a resident that lives at 323 Johnson Street come to him and ask to be connected to the village water supply. She is out of the village limits. However, there are water lines to her house. She just needs to pay for a tap fee. Just recently, council passed the new ordinance to increase the tap fee to \$1,000 from \$600. VA is asking council's approval to charge her the old rate since there is no additional work needed for this particular tap. After some discussion, Rogers made a motion to charge this resident at 323 Johnson Road the old tap fee of \$600 rather than the new rate of \$1000. Motion seconded by Maurer. (RC 6 yes)

Police: Chief Mardis thanked the community for passing our 5 year operating levy. He is extremely grateful for all the support that his department receives from the community. Chief also reported that the department has received the new 2010 cruiser that was ordered in the spring. He welcomes all to come and look at it and ask questions if they wish. Mardis, along with other officers, attended a H1NI class to learn about symptoms of this virus. In addition, Chief reported that trick or treat night went well and he really enjoys being among the kids.

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Monthly report:

Complaints filed	248	Follow ups	83
Traffic stops	42	Traffic arrest	12
Written warnings	25	Criminal arrest	5
Felony cases	4	Accident Reports	1
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Total miles driven 1970

Annexation: N/A

Community Service: N/A

Finance: Met this evening and worked on the 2010 budget.

Fire: N/A

Fire Dependency Board: N/A Grant Applications: N/A

Insurance: Lisa reported that she received a quote just today from our current carrier but still waits on the other quotes. Lisa will have more to report at next meeting.

Ordinance: N/A

Planning Commission: N/A

Pool: N/A

Rep to Chamber of Commerce: November 24th at 6:00 pm at Lafayette Pointe is the next meeting. The Halloween party went really well.

Utility: N/A
Building: N/A
Clerk's report: N/A

Solicitor report: Committee met and recommends that the village continues with William Owens in 2010 as the village solicitor.

Committee Meetings:

Finance meeting originally scheduled on November 23, 2009 at 6:00 pm is changed to November 23, 2009 6:15 pm.

Pool Committee scheduled for November 12, 2009 at 4:45 pm at the pool. Ordinance Committee scheduled for November 16, 2009 at 5:00 pm

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

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn until the next regular meeting on November 23, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. (RC 6 yes)

Attest:

Jim M Stitolon
Lisa M. Stiteler Clerk