Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

• West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on April 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Mayor Stephen R. Bordenkircher presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer

Roll Call:

Craig Bordenkircher, Ron Lusk, Christie Maurer, Rich Wheeler, Tim Cheney

and Bo Fortune were present.

• A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Rich Wheeler to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2018 regular council meeting. Roll Call 6 yes.

### Mayor's Correspondence:

The mayor noted having the complete Homecoming agenda for anyone's review. An invitation was received for the Our Town Coshocton Downtown Coshocton informational meeting at 6 p.m. on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The mayor reviewed and dispersed the additional correspondence he received as necessary.

#### Citizens' comments:

Kevin Sickles, John Newell, Bryan Carroll, David Kadri, Donald Bradford, Shannon Hains, Cindy Wiggins and Jordan Warne were present to observe.

### **Department Reports:**

Fire: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher noted having the privilege to work with the Executive Committee of the 911 Commission. Saturday at the Chamber of Commerce's Annual Banquet, Fire Chief Glenn Hill was recognized and awarded the 2018 First Responder of the Year for his lifetime achievements. Chief Hill was congratulated for doing an outstanding job and thanked for all that he does for the village. Assistant Chief Damon Gould reviewed the departments March report. The department's twelve runs were reviewed and broken down by location. Eighty-six firefighters responded for a payroll of \$800. There was a \$0 fire loss in March.

**Fiscal Officer:** Fiscal Officer Sara Warne noted that the month of March is closed. The cash summary was reviewed and signed. A \$10 donation was received from Victor Cardenzana and receipted into the Agency Fund. \$128.75 was spent to replenish the food bank.

Police: Police Chief Stephen Klopfenstein reviewed the department's March Activity Report. The Easter Egg Hunt was noted as being a success and participants were thanked. Councilwoman Maurer was thanked for her donation and Councilman Lusk was thanked for directing traffic today. Chief Klopfenstein requested council's

permission to hire Kevin Sickles noting his two years of experience and being a Specialist in the United States Army Reserve.

• A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to hire part time officer Kevin Sickles. Roll Call 6 yes.

**Solicitor:** Village Solicitor Brett Hillyer noted sending in the oil and gas leases since the last meeting. It usually takes two to three months to receive payment. The solicitor noted preparing a Resolution for salt and a Resolution for the Police Levy Renewal for this evening. The mayor noted that he will be requesting an executive session this evening to deal with legal and personnel issues.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Heather Stoffer noted fire hydrant flushing has been delayed due to weather. Once they do start, day one on their flyers is where they will begin and they will still continue in that order. The village administrator was contacted by Verizon Wireless and reviewed small cell. Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher discussed small cell. An email was received from Twin Green Traffic Signals. They replace older traffic signals at intersections free of charge only asking for the old parts from the other signals in town and the signal being removed that is now obsolete. The service offered and the process was discussed. They are looking at the light at Oak and Russell right now.

- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney for the mayor and village administrator to obtain additional information on the traffic lights and report back to council. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Christie Maurer to authorize the mayor and village administrator to proceed with Verizon. Roll Call 6 yes.

The mayor noted that the rest of the trees were taken down at the cemetery. They still need to grind the stumps. The mayor noted walking through the cemetery and its condition. With the Village Clean Up Day in May, the mayor would like to see getting community service groups to help give the cemetery the respect it deserves. Ideas and the work required was discussed.

### Committee Reports:

**Building and Property**: Chairman Tim Cheney reported that the committee met at 6 p.m. on April 5<sup>th</sup>. They discussed 215 West Railroad, 212 East Main Street, 217 East Main Street, 206 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street, 306 West Main Street, 209 West Railroad Street, 213 West Railroad Street, 105 South Oak Street, 409 Main Street, and 114 Main Street.

Community & Business Development: Chairman Bo Fortune noted the committee met April 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss some business opportunities for the village that they need to discuss further. The mayor suggested a special meeting aside from the one being scheduled regarding issues in the park.

Community Relations: Chairman Tim Cheney reported that the Chamber's website is almost set up. The person to contact regarding the site is Patty Griffith. The rides and band are under contract for the Homecoming scheduled for July 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Yellow Flag Days are scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Applications can be found at Dale Gress Real Estate, Statements by Shannon, and East Coast Risk Management. Debbie Rogers or Christie Patterson can be contacted with questions. The Chamber will be having their next meeting April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. in council chambers. The mayor noted working on designing the Chamber's webpage and the expected completion in the next week to ten days. Maps for Yellow Flag Days and Chamber forms will be downloadable from their website.

**Finance:** Chairwoman Christie Maurer noted that the committee met tonight and finances look good.

• A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Rich Wheeler to approve the March Cash Summary. Roll Call 6 yes.

Ohiocheckbook.com was discussed and the fiscal officer will provide additional information.

Fire Dependency Board: There was nothing to report.

**Ordinance:** Chairman Craig Bordenkircher reported the committee met on April 5<sup>th</sup>. They discussed the Benefits Ordinance, Weeds & Grass Ordinance and the Dilapidated Structure Ordinance. Updates were made to the Appropriations Ordinance and they talked about adopting the 2018 Basic Code.

Park Board: Chairwoman Christie Maurer noted that the committee met last Tuesday night. They are looking at awning pricing options for the band stand. They are also going to start looking into restrooms for the ballfields.

**Planning Commission**: Chairman Ron Lusk reported there was an executive meeting in Coshocton, but nothing pertained to the village.

Public Safety: Chairman Ron Lusk noted the meeting scheduled this Wednesday.

Public Works: Chairman Rich Wheeler noted the committee has not met but they will need to have a meeting regarding the Sewer Extension Project. The mayor confirmed a copy of the proposed agreement has been received and requested they come back with their final approval or disapproval. A meeting will need to be scheduled to talk about the Sewer Project. The mayor and village administrator have met with the engineers and have obtained additional proposals and suggestions. They are meeting with another engineering firm on Friday. A meeting was requested the following week. The mayor noted that they have not received any additional questions from the water presentation but do have around a dozen or so questions that need answered. The village

administrator and mayor talked about getting the questions and proposed answers on one sheet for the committee to make changes and discuss how to publish the information.

**Records Retention:** Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

Rules: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

#### Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

# 2018-18 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE TRIMMING OF WEEDS AND GRASS First Reading/ Emergency

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher clarified that only the forms were removed from the Ordinance.

- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2018-18. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Ordinance 2018-18. Roll Call 6 yes.

2018-19 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 77-94, 85-11, 2001-09, 2006-08 & 2007-07 TO PROVIDE FOR MAINTENANCE OF ANY DILAPIDATED STRUCTURE OR ANY UNSANITARY PREMISES OR NOXIOUS REAL ESTATE, PROVIDING FOR ERADICATION OF NUISANCES, PROVIDING DEFINITIONS, PENALTIES, AND PROVIDING FOR ABATEMENT First Reading/Emergency

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- A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2018-19. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to adopt Ordinance 2018-19. Roll Call 6 yes.

# 2018-20 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE REMAINING YEAR 2018 BASE PAY BENEFIT ALLOCATION FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE OHIO First Reading/ Emergency

- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2018-20. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2018-20. Roll Call 6 yes.

# 2018-21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE ODOT WINTER CONTRACT (018-19) FOR ROAD SALT First Reading/ Emergency

- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2018-21. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2018-21. Roll Call 6 yes.

# 2018-22 A RESOLUTION FOR CERTIFICATION OF MILLAGE FOR ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY First Reading/ Emergency

- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2018-22. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2018-22. Roll Call 6 yes.

2018-23 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE 2018 EDITION OF THE OHIO BASIC CODE, PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING CORPORATION, FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PUBLISHING THE ENACTMENTOF NEW MATTER; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. First Reading/ Emergency

- A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Rich Wheeler to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2018-23. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to adopt Ordinance 2018-23. Roll Call 6 yes.

### Committee Meetings:

**Building & Property-**

Community & Business- Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 5 p.m.

Fire Dependency Board-.

Finance- Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Ordinance-

Park Board-

Public Safety/Fire- Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Public Works- Thursday, April 19, 2018 6 p.m.

#### Other Business:

The mayor had no further business to discuss.

- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to pay the bills as presented. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to go into executive session to discuss pending legal matters and personnel issues with council and the solicitor to remain. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to come out of executive session at 8:33 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to accept the resignation of Fiscal Officer Sara Warne. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk for Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher to start the search for a new fiscal officer. Roll Call 6 yes.
- A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Tim Cheney to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.
- \*A full recording of this evening's minutes can be heard by visiting <a href="www.westlafayettevillage.com">www.westlafayettevillage.com</a> and clicking on the council tab then selecting recorded minutes.

Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Sara Warne, Fiscal Officer

Attest: