Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on May 29, 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 Craig Bordenkircher to approve

the minutes of the May 14, 2018 regular council meeting. Roll Call 6 yes.

**Mayor’s Correspondence:**

None

**Citizens’ comments**:

None

 **Department Reports:**

**Fire:** No Report

**Fiscal Officer:**  Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne passed bills around for review. Request was made for approval for Amy Bourne to attend a Public Finance Officers training. Next opportunity for training will not be until October and then March, other than CMI training coming up.

**Police**: No Report. A thank you letter was received from the Janusian Club for the Police Department involvement in the community as well as a $500 donation to the food pantry. Schedule of events for the summer was received. Movie night in the park on June 6, 2018 from 9-11pm, a Kids Event on July 14, 2018 from 11am – 12:30pm and a movie night in the park on August 7, 2018 from 9-11pm. Flyers to follow for the upcoming events.

**Solicitor:** No report

**Village Administrator**: Village Administrator, Heather Stoffer made a request to declare surplus of vehicles that are unsafe for operation to be placed for sale or bid for the following vehicles from the Utility department: 1994 F47 dump truck (diesel), 1993 Ford Ranger, and a 1998 Ford Ranger. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to approve the sale of surplus vehicles. Roll Call 6 yes. More information was received regarding special assessments for residents not paying utility bills. The amount past due can be added to their property taxes and our bill will take precedence over the property taxes due. Amounts that can be added are for past due water, sewer and mowing bills. More information coming soon. We will be taking over the billing for Fresno/Pearl Valley for the County Commissioners beginning in July.

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher noted that 2 public hearings for aggregation were held that evening, May 29, 2018 at 4pm and 6pm. No one attended the 4pm meeting other than the Mayor, Bob Staley and Heather Stoffer. There were some in attendance for the 6pm hearing with several questions asked and answered. Next steps include some agreements and ordinances that need to be passed, which will be addressed at the next council meeting.

 **Committee Reports:**

**Building and Property**: No Report. Meeting scheduled for May 30, 2018 at 5pm.

**Community & Business Development:** Chairman Bo Fortune reported that they met on May 21, 2018 and continued discussions on business opportunities.

**Community Relations:** Chairman Tim Cheney reported that the Chamber is still working on the homecoming.

**Finance:** No Report

**Fire Dependency Board**: No Report

**Ordinance:** No Report

**Park Board:** Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported that they met on May 16, 2018. The committee met with an architect and looked at the band stand porches on both sides. The architect is going to provide some basic drawings and ideas. They also went to the Water Works fields to have preliminary discussions about the building of a restroom. The Chief would like to have 4 signs in the park posted with the hours closed of 11pm-6am. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to purchase 4 signs for Burt Park listing the opening hours of the park. Roll Call 6 yes. The Police Department had an incident with a resident in the village at the Water Works fields over the weekend and would like to have this resident barred from the fields so they can charge with trespassing in the future if it happens again. Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher recommended that the committee run it by the Village Solicitor from a legal standpoint since it is public property. Village Administrator, Heather Stoffer will reach out to the Solicitor.

**Planning Commission**: No Report.

**Public Safety**: No Report. Chief Klopfenstein requested a meeting to be scheduled.

**Public Works:** Chairman Rich Wheeler reported that they met on May 25, 2018 with representatives from RCAP and discussed their rate survey and the asset management program for the water department. They also discussed the questions and answers for Coshocton.

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

**Rules:** Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

**Committee Meetings**:

**Building & Property**-

**Community & Business-**  June 5, 2018 @ 5:00 PM

**Fire Dependency Board**-.

**Finance**- June 11, 2018 @ 6:30 PM

**Ordinance**- June 5, 2018 @ 6:00 PM

**Park Board**-

**Public Safety/Fire-**  June 4, 2018 @ 6:00 PM

**Public Works**-

**Other Business:**

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Christie Maurer to waive the residence requirement for the Village Administrator Roll Call 6 yes

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to waive the residence requirement for the Fiscal Officer Roll Call 6 yes

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher noted the concern for the village elected officials and village officers safety due to a recent threatening email and has asked council to consider the 4 village officers (Police Chief, Fire Chief, Village Administrator and Fiscal Officer) and elected officials be permitted to conceal carry provided they meet the requirement of the state of Ohio to do so. The Mayor has turned it over to the Ordinance committee to review and they will look into it further.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Rich Wheeler to authorize OAPT Public Finance Officer training for the new fiscal officer, Amy Bourne, as presented. Roll Call 6 yes.

The mayor had no further business to discuss.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to pay the bills as presented. Roll Call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Rich Wheeler and seconded by Ron Lusk to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, June 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.

A full recording of this evening’s minutes can be heard by visiting [www.westlafayettevillage.com](http://www.westlafayettevillage.com) and clicking on the council tab then selecting recorded minutes.

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 Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

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 Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer