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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on July 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Mayor Stephen R. Bordenkircher presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer

Roll Call: Christie Maurer, Rich Wheeler, Ron Lusk, Tim Cheney, and Bo Fortune were present. Councilman Craig Bordenkircher was absent.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to excuse councilman Craig Bordenkircher. Roll Call 5 yes.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Rich Wheeler to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2019 Regular council meeting. Roll Call 4 yes, 1 abstained.

Mayor's Correspondence:

Mayor Bordenkircher received an invite for Legislative Luncheon at River Green's Golf Course on August 16, 2019 at a cost of \$15. A letter was received from the Village of Buckeye Lake thanking the Village of West Lafayette for the donation of a door prize from the General Store at the recent Mayor's Conference. A copy of the Daily Prevention journal was received.

Citizens' comments:

None

Department Reports:

Fire: No Report

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported that the 2020 Tax Budget was delivered to the county auditor's office. Mosquito spraying is scheduled to happen again tonight, July 22, 2019 by Newcomerstown, weather pending. A \$500 donation was received from the East Ohio Conference of United Methodist Church to go towards labor costs for the office manager doing the work of gathering documentation from village residents that were affected by the recent flooding. The State Auditor's office advised that council formally approve that the \$500 be used to pay labor costs for the office manager's work of gathering documentation.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve the \$500 from the East Ohio Conference of UMC be dedicated to labor costs for the office manager to gather documentation for the flood victim's loss. Roll call 5 yes.

Resolution 2019-31 Adding Funds is on the table to add the \$23,000 for the police vehicle discussed at the prior council meeting, \$500 as mentioned earlier to cover labor costs for the office manager, and \$8,283 to cover the Kimble dumpster invoice, using donations received.

Resolution 2019-32 is to approve a Then & Now purchase order for Kimble.

Resolution 2019-33 Adding Funds is to add \$3,000 for the additional village portion of the HRA for Family coverage. Originally, council approved the village to pay the first \$1,000 of the deductible for a Single employee and \$2,000 of the deductible for the Employee + Child,

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Employee + Spouse and Family coverage. Invoices have recently been received and show that the village is being charged for \$3,000 for the Family coverage rather than the submitted \$2,000. There are currently 3 employees that have the Family coverage. Discussions have been had with the insurance agent and Medical Mutual and there is nothing that can be done to change the policy. The options to correct are to either obtain council approval to increase the HRA funding from \$2,000 to \$3,000 for the Family coverage OR set up a payment plan for the employee to pay back the additional \$1,000. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve increasing the HRA funding from \$2,000 to \$3,000 for the Family coverage deductible, which would currently total \$3,000. Roll call 5 yes.

There is an Essentials of HR Law conference in Columbus on Wednesday, July 24, 2019 that Amy will be attending. Amy will also be taking a test next week to become a notary. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: No Report

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher reported she has been reviewing the mosquito contract with Newcomerstown and suggesting that the contract term be changed to reflect just the 2019 season rather than ending on 1 year after executed. Julie also reported on the condemnation order for 101 W. Main St., owned by Chapdelaine and she spoke with the inspector with Mid-East Ohio. Baughman, with Mid-East Ohio, stated that if he does not hear back from Chapdelaine soon, he will issue a second condemnation order with a specific deadline and more detail on actions that need taken by the deadline. Discussions were had with the Police Chief regarding citations for Ronnie Johnson and Randy Moore regarding property conditions and the first court appearance will be on July 31, 2019. Julie will be attending the Ohio Municipal Attorneys Association conference on Wednesday, July 24, 2019.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator, Jon Hardesty reported meeting with the contractor and engineer of the Johnson St. Sewer project a couple of times to review outstanding issues. Drains will be put into better drain standing water in yards as well as risers placed on a couple of manholes. A meeting was held last week with Richard Wall with ADR & Associates engineering firm regarding possibly using them in the future. There was an issue last week with the asphalt buckling on Main St. and William Albert has provided a quote to repair, but no date set on when it will be done. Grinding have been put down in the alley between N. George and Fairview on Friday. The Police Chief purchased Temporary No Parking signs for the homecoming. Jon requested that the ordinance committee look at creating an ordinance regarding fences on the property and how close they can be to the property line. He has had several people ask if there are guidelines and there are no ordinances or anything specific in zoning that give details other than how to handle fences on a corner lot. A water bill was presented on behalf of the office manager from 136 E. Wood St that had a water leak in their yard after the meter that finally showed itself. Approval of a credit is being requested by council since the amount is greater than the approval of the office manager. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to agree with the office manager's recommendation and approve a credit in the amount of \$686.89, leaving a balance of \$70 for the water bill at residence located at 136 E. Wood. Roll call 5 yes. Jon has been researching applying to the EPA for a reduction in hours for the wastewater plant to help with the overtime being used.

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Mayor Bordenkircher reported the deadline to request funding for 2020 street paving is August 16, 2019. A small clog was found in one of the manholes at the Johnson St. sewer project and work will be done to drop the line coming in to improve the flow. An email was received from the engineer stating that there will be no change orders needed for the additional work being done. Another walk-through will be done next week. Some residents have expressed some concerns with the lift station waters that backed up into their basements and are looking for ways to prevent the backups in the future. Backflow devices on the mains into the lift station was discussed but the engineer and Dave Kadri were against this option as there will be very high maintenance involved. Floor drain plugs were also discussed and seem to be the most reasonable option. Cost would be \$5.61 for each drain and would hold back 40' of water and could be funded within the project, costing roughly \$300-\$400. The Mayor also addressed the Main St. road buckling and ODOT did say that the state is not responsible for repairs. A proposal was received regarding replacing sidewalks in the village and will be looked at further for the future. Mayor Bordenkircher also explained findings regarding the recent flooding that an old drainage system behind the softball fields at the high school has collapsed in an area out in Shurtz field several years ago, around 2006. With the collapsed drain, and the force of the waters from the flood, caused the drainage system to explode the tiles at the entry point as well as create a very large hole. The township and county commissioners have been looking into ways to address the issue.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve moving forward with purchasing the floor drains for the Johnson Street sewer project residents. Roll call 5 yes.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No Report

Community & Business Development: No Report.

Community Relations: Chairman, Tim Cheney, reported that things are going well with the planning of the Homecoming. The Chamber of Commerce will be meeting tomorrow, July 23rd at 7:00PM at the eat stand. Fireworks are set to go. A boot drive was held on Saturday and \$2,655.66 was raised for the flood victims.

Coshocton Water Exploration: No report

Finance: No Report

Fire Dependency Board: No Report

Ordinance: No Report

Park Board: Chairwoman, Christie Maurer reported that the gazebo roofs have been completed and look good. Councilman, Ron Lusk, requested that our summer help do some weeding around the gazebos in the flower beds as well as trim the bushes to have ready for homecoming this week. Village Administrator, Jon Hardesty, will have the summer help take care of the park.

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Planning Commission: No Report

Public Safety: Councilman, Ron Lusk, reported that the fire department presented new boots and uniforms to look at for the future.

Public Works: No Report

Records Retention: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

Rules: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

Resolution No. 2019-31 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2019 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2018-68, ADDING FUNDS First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2019-31. Roll call 5 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Resolution 2019-31. Roll call 5 yes.

Resolution No. 2019-32 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE ORDER 19330 TO KIMBLE RECYCLING, A "THEN & NOW" PURCHASE ORDER 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 2019-32. Roll call 5 yes.

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Committee Meetings:

Building & Property-

Community & Business-

Community Relations -

Fire Dependency Board-.

Finance- August 12, 2019 @ 6:30PM

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Ordinance-

Park Board-

Public Safety/Fire – Fire August 14, 2019 @ 7:00

Public Works-

Records Retention –

Rules –

Coshocton Water Exploration –

Other Business:

Councilman, Ron Lusk, thanked the council and village for the support with the recent loss of his wife.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to go into executive session. Roll call 5 yes.

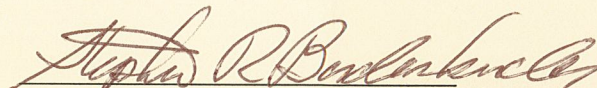
A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to continue in open session. Roll call 5 yes.

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had no further business to discuss.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to pay the bills. Roll call 5 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 5 yes.

A full recording of this evening's minutes can be heard by visiting www.westlafayettevillage.com and clicking on the recorded minutes tab.


Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Attest:

Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer

