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## Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on November 25, 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, Craig Bordenkircher and Bo Fortune were present.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2019 regular council meeting. Roll Call 6 yes.

### **Mayor's Correspondence:**

Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving a letter dated November 20, 2019 from Ed Wright and Mike Finton requesting being connected to the village sewer system. Mayor did speak with David Kadri and it is possible and was passed along to the Public Works committee to discuss further. An informational letter was received dated November 6, 2019 from Bricker & Eckler and was passed along to the Village Solicitor for review. A copy of the FCW magazine was received. A letter was received from the Department of Commerce regarding permits for alcoholic beverage sales expire on February 1, 2020 and renewal applications need to be submitted. A letter dated November 19, 2020 from Dominion Energy was received. A letter from Atty Bill Owens regarding Ed Chapdelaine requesting an oral hearing for his citation. The Village Solicitor will be reaching out to Atty Owens to schedule the hearing at the next council meeting.

### **Citizens' comments:**

### **Department Reports:**

**Fire:** No Report

**Fiscal Officer:** Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported meeting with the Finance committee on Monday, November 18, 2019 to further discuss the 2020 budget and raises for all employees. Ordinance 2019-57 is establishing the 2020 budget appropriations and will receive its first reading. 2019-58 defines a 2% pay increase for all employees as well as an additional \$1,000 for each village officer. Bourne also reported meeting with Dennis with Dinsmore Bond Counsel on Friday along with representatives from Home Loan to discuss the bonds for the skid steer and truck purchases. Ordinance 2019-59 is on the table for approval to authorize the issuance of an \$18,000 bond for the skid steer. Bills were passed around for approval. Mayor Bordenkircher commented that the Village Officers, Police Chief, Fiscal Officer and Village Administrator, are grossly underpaid compared to other villages of our size and has recommended the additional \$1,000 raise for each officer.

**Police:** See Attached



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**Solicitor:** Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher reported informing the ordinance committee of discussions she has had with American Legal regarding adding village specific ordinances to the Ohio Basic Code online in our own section and the cost will be \$20 per page. This will be discussed further.

**Village Administrator:** Village Administrator, Chris Menapace, reported that he has been proactively knocking on doors regarding nuisances and will be proceeding with some citations. A Coshocton Water Advisory Board meeting was held on November 19, 2019 and original draft of bylaws were circulated. The next scheduled meeting is January 7, 2020 at 5pm at the Coshocton City Hall and the meetings are public. Christmas lights will be put up this week. The new skid steer has been delivered. It still needs the light kit, which will be delivered and installed here on site. Last day of leaf pick up will be Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at 4pm. After that day, leaves will need to be bagged and will then be picked up. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the Johnson Street Sewer project is now complete, and he has signed off on the project. Ron Lusk offered to purchase and plant a live Christmas tree in Burt Park and possibly for the lot next to council chambers. The rest of the Christmas decorations and Jones Metal tree need to be put out but would like to find a way to light the tree since there is no electric to the lot. The Mayor and Village Administrator will discuss further. Mayor Bordenkircher reported meeting with an engineering company out of Canton last week regarding a project to repair sidewalks. There are 3 pots of money to go after: a Federal grant for critical infrastructure with 0 matching funds up to \$500,000, Safe Routes to School money and ODOT Tap Fund (which takes 2yrs to get this money). There are specific steps that need to be followed to go with the Federal grant, starting with advertising the bid process, which will begin next week, if approved. It will be a 3-phase project. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to authorize the Fiscal Officer and Village Administrator to prepare the ads for the bidding process for the Federal grant process. Roll call 6 yes. Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving an update from the Program Director of the Coshocton Soil and Water Conservation District regarding the Kirk drain. Surveying of the Kirk drain water shed began after permission from the landowners was received. The surveying is expected to be completed by the end of the year and will be used to draft alternative designs for the water shed.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Building and Property:** No Report.

**Community & Business Development:** No Report.

**Community Relations:** Chairman, Tim Cheney, reported the Chamber of Commerce will be meeting on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 6:30PM.

**Coshocton Water Advisory Board:** No report. Next advisory board meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2020 at 5:00 PM.

**Finance:** Chairwoman, Christie Maurer reported meeting on Monday, November 18, 2019 to discuss the 2020 budget and pay increases.



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**Fire Dependency Board:** No Report

**Ordinance:** Chairman Craig Bordenkircher reported meeting on November 25, 2019 and discussed the possibility of adding ordinances to the Ohio Basic Code for a fee. The golf cart and side-by-side ordinances.

**Park Board:** No Report

**Planning Commission:** No Report

**Public Safety:** No Report

**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:**

**2019-57 AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020** First Reading

**2019-58 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2020 PAY AND BENEFIT SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH** First Reading

**2019-59 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$18,000 OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING PART OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING A SKID STEER AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Rich Wheeler to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2019-59. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Ordinance 2019-59. Roll call 6 yes.

**2019-60 AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ALL-PURPOSE VEHICLES ON THE STREETS, HIGHWAYS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PROPERTY UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE** First Reading

**2019-61 AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF UNDER-SPEED VEHICLES (GOLF CARTS), UTILITY VEHICLES, AND MINI TRUCKS ON THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE** First Reading



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## **Other Business:**

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher mentioned that if anyone wants to see the new skid steer, it can be seen at the Street Department. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to have the second council meeting of December on December 16, 2019 rather than on December 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

## **Committee Meetings:**

**Building & Property-** December 3, 2019 @ 6:30 PM

**Community & Business-**

**Community Relations -**

**Fire Dependency Board-**

**Finance-** December 9, 2019 @ 6:30 PM

**Ordinance-**

**Park Board-**

**Public Safety/Fire –**

**Public Works-** December 2, 2019 @ 7:30 PM

**Records Retention –**

**Rules –**

**Coshocton Water Advisory Board –** January 7, 2020 @ 5:00

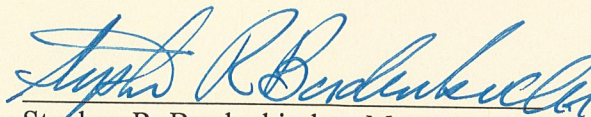
A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to pay the bills. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation, property purchase and personnel at 7:42PM with the Village Administrator, Village Solicitor and Fiscal Officer to remain. Roll call 6 yes.


A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to continue in open session at 8:30PM. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, December 9, 2019 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 recorded minutes tab.

  
Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Attest:

  
Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer