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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on January 27, 2020 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, Bo Fortune and Craig Bordenkircher were present.

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2020 regular council meeting. Roll call 5 yes, Bo Fortune abstained.

Mayor's Correspondence:

Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving an Ohio Asphalt Paving notification of the 45th annual conference on February 5, 2020. A flyer from the Operator Training Committee of Ohio with the workshops and training schedules for 2020 was received. A letter from the United States Department of Commerce US Census wanting to verify our village boundaries, which are accurate. A letter dated January 21, 2020 from W.E. Quicksaw & Associates was received with grant opportunities.

Citizens' comments:

Village resident, John Lint, addressed council requesting that the ordinance pertaining to property owner's responsibility to keep structures painted be reviewed and revised to include brick structures as well. Mayor Bordenkircher stated that Bo Fortune is the chairman of the newly formed Zoning & Building Codes committee and they would be reviewing the ordinance. Mr. Lint also inquired if anyone has received any complaints about the Thompson Power Washing company. The village has received no complaints to date. Mr. Lint stated that he is dissatisfied with the work performed by the company and has been waiting on a partial refund. Mayor Bordenkircher stated that this would be a civil matter and not within the jurisdiction of the village. Mr. Lint also inquired about how the water meters are read and why the usage is rounded. Mayor Bordenkircher stated that it is the way the software is set up. Village Administrator, Chris Menapace, offered to sit down with Mr. Lint to review his account if he would like to stop in the office on Wednesday afternoon.

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher delivered the State of the Village Address. (Attached)

Department Reports:

Fire: No Report

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported that the 2020-05 ordinance on the table is to retain Dinsmore as bond counsel for the purchase of the police cruiser. Ordinance 2020-07 is to adopt the 2020 version of the Ohio Basic Code of Ordinances. The hard copy of the updated code has been received and the online version will be available soon. Resolution 2020-10 is a resolution to add funds to the General Fund in the amount of \$10,000 to cover the additional

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police department wages and also money into the Street, State Highway and MVL funds to cover the skid steer loan payments for 2020. W-2's and 1099's have all been mailed out. Bourne has registered to attend a Public Records training session on May 1, 2020 and will be attending as a designee for council members Bo Fortune and Ron Lusk. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: No Report. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the Police Chief's mother-in-law passed away last week and will be out of the office for a few days for services.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher was not present.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator, Chris Menapace, reported that there was a sewer issue at the Administration building that took the bathrooms out of service. William Albert's construction responded to fix the issue and install a new sewer line. The lighting package has been installed on the new skid steer and works very well. Menapace thanked council for the approval of that purchase and encouraged them to stop by the street department to check it out. The Coshocton Water project timeline was provided, showing that it is fully funded, and things are moving along with the project. Heritage Cooperative recently started receiving water services from the village and a substantial leak was detected. Menapace requested approval for an adjustment on the account from \$1,828.83 to \$35.20. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the adjustment. Roll call 6 yes.

Menapace reported that the pothole at the curb box next to Circle K will be repaired within the next couple of weeks. The curb box at A&D Auto is also expected to be repaired on January 23, 2020. Dave Kadri provided an updated report on the recent leak in the village and stated the leaks have been found and repaired. Menapace presented ordinance 2020-08 for approval for Diversified to do a feasibility study for a potential sewer extension project. Also, ordinance 2020-09 was presented for approval of the Thrasher Group to move forward with the grant process for the school travel plan and sidewalk project. Ordinance 2020-11 was also presented to establish the powers and duties of the village administrator. Menapace reported attending the Ridgewood Recreation board meeting and is requesting a Park Board meeting to discuss their questions and concerns.

Mayor Bordenkircher reported that some of the reclamation with the Johnson St. Sewer project has not been done well. There is a 1-year warranty on that work, but there needs to be 2 mowing's that need to happen before anything can be done. Mayor Bordenkircher also reported that Ed Chapdelaine and his attorney are requesting that council hold off on any litigation for 2 weeks on the property at 101 W. Main St. Mr. Chapdelaine is waiting on a formal quote for the destruction of the property, but the business owner is out of the country. Chapdelaine has indicated that he will be selling some of his property to cover the cost of the demolition. A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to allow Chapdelaine until February 10, 2020 before any further litigation.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No Report

Community & Business Development: No Report.

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Community Relations: Chairman, Tim Cheney, reported that the Chamber of Commerce will meet on February 25, 2020 at 7:00pm in council chambers.

Finance: No Report

Fire Dependency Board: No Report

Ordinance: Chairman, Craig Bordenkircher, reported meeting on January 23, 2020 and discussed the Pay & Benefit ordinance regarding the police department wage increase.

Park Board: No Report

Planning Commission: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works: Chairman, Rich Wheeler, reported meeting on January 17, 2020 and discussed the potential sidewalk project and the sewer extension project.

Records Retention: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

Rules: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2020-03 AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR Second Reading

2020-04 AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR THE POLICE CHIEF, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2020-14. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Ordinance 2020-04. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-05 AN ORDINANCE TO RETAIN BOND COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE FISCAL OFFICER, MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR BOND COUNSEL SERVICES WITH DINSMORE & SHOHL LLP, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2020-05. Roll call 6 yes

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Tim Cheney to adopt Ordinance 2020-05. Roll call 6 yes.

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2020-06 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2020 PAY AND BENEFIT SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2020-06. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Ordinance 2020-06. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-07 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2020 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2020-07. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Ordinance 2020-07. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, FISCAL OFFICER AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY WITH DIVERSIFIED ENGINEERING TO PROCEED WITH A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A PROPOSED SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2020-08. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Resolution 2020-08. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE THRASHER GROUP TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Ron Lusk to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2020-09. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Resolution 2020-09. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-10 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2020 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2019-57, ADDING FUNDS 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 2020-10. Roll call 6 yes.

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A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Ron Lusk to adopt Resolution 2020-10. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-11 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Ordinance 2020-11. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Ordinance 2020-11. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-12 A RESOLUTION STATING APPOINTMENTS OF VILLAGE POLICE CHIEF AND POLICE OFFICERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2020-12. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2020-12. Roll call 6 yes.

Other Business:

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher reported he has been approached about the HGTV Hometown Makeover and stated that both Newcomerstown and Coshocton will be applying for the makeover but doesn't believe that the city/village itself is submitting and signing the application. Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher, reviewed the terms and conditions and stated that the Village would not be able to comply with the confidentiality requirements as a government body. Mayor Bordenkircher recommended that the Chamber of Commerce or another village organization pursue to submission and sign the application and the Village can support them. There was no motion made by council.

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property-

Community & Business-

Community Relations -

Fire Dependency Board-

Finance- February 10, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

Ordinance-

Park Board- February 5, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

Public Safety/Fire –

Public Works-

Records Retention –

Rules –

Zoning & Building Codes – February 4, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

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

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A motion was made at 8:11PM by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to go into Executive Session to discuss the purchase of property with the Village Administrator and Fiscal Officer remaining. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made at 8:34PM by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to continue in open session. Roll call 6 yes.


Bo Fortune stated that on Friday morning, Saturday morning and Monday morning, there was a truck parked up on the sidewalk up against the Village Market, blocking the whole sidewalk. Mayor Bordenkircher will advise the police department to keep an eye on the situation.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, February 10, 2020 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 and clicking on the recorded minutes tab.


Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Attest:


Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer