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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on March 9, 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, Bo Fortune and Tim Cheney were present.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to excuse councilman Craig Bordenkircher. Roll call 5 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Rich Wheeler to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2020 regular council meeting. Roll call 5 yes.

Mayor's Correspondence:

Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving a card from W.E. Quicksaw regarding the sidewalk project and requesting information on why they were not chosen for the project and thanking the Village for our time. A letter from RSV, Inc in Steubenville, Ohio was received dated March 4, 2020 referencing 101 W. Main St., West Lafayette, Ohio. The letter stated that they are reviewing the results from environmental report from Diamond Environmental and will be reaching out to Mr. Chapdelaine with his options for the demolition of his building. The Cities and Villages magazine and the FCW magazine was received.

Citizens' comments:

James Crawford, seeking the Republican nomination for the Coshocton County Sherriff in the primary, spoke to council about his background and experience for the position of Sherriff.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to recognize councilman Craig Bordenkircher. Roll call 5 yes.

Department Reports:

Fire: Fire Chief Glenn Hill reported having a new candidate for the volunteer Fire Department. Heath Ogle lives in West Lafayette and works at Jones Metal. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to approve bringing Heath Ogle on board the fire department. Roll call 5 yes. February Fire Report attached.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported resolution 2020-21 on the table for approval to reduce funds due to over appropriating funds for the new police cruiser payments in the 103. The 2019 Annual Financial report has been submitted to the State of Ohio Auditors office. The February month end cash summary was presented for approval to the Finance committee at the meeting this evening. Bills were passed around for approval.

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Police: See Attached. Chief Stephen Klopfenstein reported taking the delivery for the new Tahoe on Friday. He is waiting for the rest of the upfit kit to arrive as well as getting the striping done. Chief Klopfenstein also announced that the Easter egg hunt at Burt Park will be on April 4, 2020 at 11:00AM and the Easter Bunny will be there. Chamber of Commerce has volunteered to stuff the Easter eggs. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that ads have been placed to fill the position of Chief of Police. Mayor also reported that he has put together a committee to fill this position that will consist of Amy Bourne the HR Manager, Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher, Police Chief Stephen Klopfenstein to advise on the technical aspects of the police department as well as the chairman of the Public Safety committee, Craig Bordenkircher. If Craig Bordenkircher is not able to attend, councilman Tim Cheney will fill in for him.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher reported that she has been working on several matters and will wait to comment until after the Village Administrator has given his report.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator, Chris Menapace, reported there is a quote from Heartfelt Homecare LLC to treat the street garage, administration building and the police department on a quarterly basis for bed bugs. A single dead bed bug was found in the street department building and after further inspection it was determined that there was not an infestation. The Village contracted with American Road Salt in 2019 for road salt and we still have 29 tons to be delivered to meet that contract. That delivery has been set up for the week of April 6, 2020, after the street department has had a chance to move around the salt that we already have on hand to make room for it. Chris reported working a lot with the Village Solicitor on a new complaint code enforcement process, which was included in the packets for review by council. This new process will eliminate the need to tie up the time of the Police Department and potentially having to attend hearings on these citations. There were 16 shutoffs scheduled and all but 6 paid their bill in time to avoid the disconnection. Out of those 6 disconnected, all 6 paid and were reconnected. There are still 2 homes that are without water since December due to non-payment. Mayor Bordenkircher interviewed and filmed Chris regarding code enforcement, zoning, building codes, noxious weeds, etc. and placed the video on the village website to help residents understand their vision moving forward. An interview was also conducted with the Coshocton Tribune on the same topic. Diane with WTNS will also be interviewing Chris. A local owner purchased the residence at 213 W. Railroad St and is working on remodeling the home. Menapace reported receiving a follow up letter from the Coshocton County Health Department regarding our violation with the no smoking policy last fall. There was an investigation done at the time and found to be true. The issue has been remedied and new No Smoking signs have been posted on all village buildings. A review is being requested from the Health Department to confirm the village is now compliant. The trailer in the 200 rear block of Union will be addressed by Friday. Menapace will be meeting with a supervisor from the Army Corps of Engineers and his liaison from the Muskingum Water Shed about the Kirk Drain on Thursday to drive and walk the surrounding areas to determine the scope of the project to address the drain. Mayor Bordenkircher reported signing a letter of support for a grant the county applied for to repair the drain, but it is slow-moving. There is fear that if we get significant rain again this spring, as is expected, that the village will be hit with another devastating flood again this year. Menapace reported that Ryan Cottrell will be getting certified to spray for weeds and possibly mosquitos. If any village employee sprays weeds anywhere in the village, a citation could be issued since it is considered a commercial application and a

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license is required. Solicitor, Julie Dreher, reported on discussions with Bill Owens regarding the Ed Chapdelaine case with 101 W. Main St stating that since asbestos was found, the asbestos disposal may need to be approved by the Ohio EPA. The contractor is investing on what might be required other than the permit and final inspection. Things are moving slowly, but progress is being made.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No Report

Community & Business Development: No Report.

Community Relations: Chairman, Tim Cheney reported that the Chamber of Commerce will meet on March 24, 2020 in council chambers. Rotary will be holding a blood screening at the Baptist Church on March 14, 2020 from 7-9 AM.

Finance: Chairwoman, Christie Maurer reported meeting on March 9, 2020 and that finances look good. Approval for the February month end cash summary was requested. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to approve the February month end cash summary. Roll call 6 yes.

Fire Dependency Board: No Report

Ordinance: No Report

Park Board: Chairman, Ron Lusk, reported meeting and discussed restroom facility options for the Water Works ball fields as well as the Ridgewood Recreation contract.

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.

Zoning and Building Codes: Chairman, Bo Fortune, reported meeting on March 5, 2020 to discuss the updates to the zoning and building codes. A monthly update will be provided to allow council the opportunity for comments as they move forward.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2020-17 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,

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PROVIDING DEFINITIONS, PENALTIES, ADNN PROVIDING FOR ABATEMENT SECTION 660.14 TO 660.21 Second Reading

2020-20 A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN VILLAGE PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES AS SURPLUS AND OBSOLETE AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OF SAID SURPLUS AND OBSOLETE PROPERTY Second Reading

2020-21 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2020 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2019-57, REDUCING FUNDS First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules per the emergency clause added to Resolution 2020-21. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Ron Lusk to adopt Resolution 2020-21. Roll call 6 yes

Other Business:

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher reported having a meeting last week to discuss Mayor's Court and the decision was made to not pursue it any further. There are benefits for the village to have the court, but there is a significant cost to doing so. Mayor Bordenkircher noted that the village gas aggregation wording will be on the ballot next week. CodeRed training was attended last week by Mayor Bordenkircher, the Village Administrator, Fiscal Officer, Assistant Fire Chief and Police Chief. The link for residents to opt in to the system is on the village website as well as the Facebook page.

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property-

Community & Business- March 16, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

Community Relations -

Fire Dependency Board-

Finance-

Ordinance-

Park Board- March 10, 2020 @ 5:00 PM

Public Safety/Fire –

Public Works-

Records Retention –

Rules –

Zoning & Building Codes – March 18, 2020 @ 6:00 PM

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

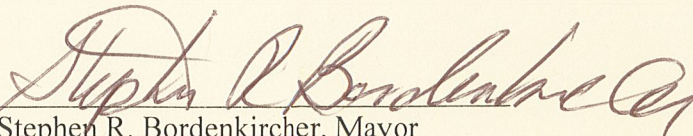
A motion was made at 7:45 PM by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to go into executive session to discuss personnel with the Village Solicitor to remain. Roll call 6 yes.

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

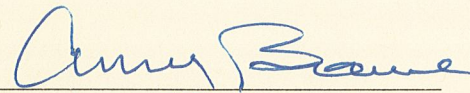
A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, March 23, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.

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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



February 2020 Fire Report

Incident Type;	Fire	
	111 Building Fire	5
	121 Fire in Mobile Home	2
	131 Passenger Vehicle Fire	1

Rescue & Emergency Medical Incidents	
324 Motor Vehicle Accident with No Injuries	2

Good Intent Call	
611 Dispatched & Cancelled en route	1
631 Authorized Controlled Burning	1

Total 12

	February 2020	Year-to-Date
Location of Incident;		
Village of West Lafayette	2	3
Lafayette Township	1	6
Linton	0	0
Oxford	8	8
White Eyes	1	2
Out of District	0	2

Call History;	Total	12	21
	Last Year	12	24

Activity;	Type	Firefighters	Hours
	Emergency Calls	78	119.53
	Non-Incident Activities		142
	Training		0
		Total Hours	261.53

Payroll;	February 2020	\$715.00
	Year-to-Date	\$1,285.00

Fire Loss;	<u>February 2020</u>	\$337,310.00
	Year-to-Date	\$337,310.00
	Last Year, Year-to-Date	\$25,000.00



WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

MONTH: February, 2020

Adult calls	52
Juvenile calls	9
Complaints	2
Follow ups	45
Criminal Arrests	7
Traffic Stops	4
Warnings	2
Traffic Arrest	6
Accidents	2
Felonies	0
Miles Driven	907
Gas	101.479 Gallons

Chief Stephen Klopfenstein

Note: Not all logs available for activity totals