Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on August 24, 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 Ron Lusk and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2020 regular council meeting. Roll call 4 yes. Tim Cheney and Bo Fortune abstained.

Mayor's Correspondence:

Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving an email from the Ohio Municipal League announcing a release of more CARES Act funds in the amount of \$175 million dollars. The money will be distributed to municipalities in the same manner that the first round of funds was distributed from HB 481, through the county. No further information was given yet on when it will be disbursed or what the guidelines will be. A letter was received from the Muskingum Valley Educational Center regarding the pick of an exemplary educator and all educators were chosen. A short video was created, and the link is available to view.

Citizens' comments: A conference call line was made available for the public and media as well as council members that were not able to physically attend the meeting. This number will be used for all future council meetings until further notice. There were no citizens comments. Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher, was present on the call.

Dial-in number (US): (515)606-5438

Access Code: 169938#

Department Reports:

Fire: No report

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported Resolution 2020-58 is being presented to Add Funds for outside legal advice on some personnel matters as well as the first installment payment for the OPWC Johnson Street Sewer project loan. Amy announced that she will be out on vacation next week and will return to the office on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: No report

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Julie Dreher, was not present to report.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator, Chris Menapace, reported having a Public Hearing this evening to discuss the vacation of an alley. Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving a petition from Sandra Mills of 412 W. Russell Ave and Linda Wingard of 408 W. Russell Ave requesting the village to vacate the alley between their properties. A Public Hearing was held prior to the council meeting to review the request and there were no negative comments given. A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve the vacation of the alley between the residences belonging to Sandra Mills at 412 W. Russell and Linda Wingard at 408 W. Russell. Roll call 6 yes.

Menapace presented a thank you letter and resolution from the City of Mount Vernon thanking the city for the donation of a sewer camera to the village. 2-way radios were purchased to assist in emergency communications such as the recent straight-line windstorm that was experienced in the village a couple of months ago. Menapace reported that there are currently zero residents with their water shut off and there will only be 46 notices posted for upcoming shutoffs. Coshocton will be having some infrastructure work done within the village to the water grid beginning the week of August 31st. Ordinance 2020-51 is up for the third reading and sets the water and sewer rates for next year. Resolution 2020-57 is up for the second reading since there were not enough council members present at the last council meeting to pass it waiving the rules for three readings. This will allow Menapace to issue the citation for the dilapidated building at 422 E. 4th St. Resolution 2020-60 was presented requesting that a temporary Water Tech position be created to cover the boil advisories, locates, and work an adjusted work schedule to coincide with Tuscon's work schedule. John Newell would be assigned this new position at a rate of \$15.67 per hour and the wage would be reallocated according to the extra work done in the Water department. After the Coshocton Water project is completed and this position is deemed to be no longer necessary, Newell will return to his regular rate of pay. Menapace requested a Zoning & Building Codes, Public Works and Ordinance committee meetings. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that he along with Menapace, Chuck Ellis, the County Commissioners and County Engineer will be meeting on Thursday to discuss the Pearl Valley sewer issues.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No report

Community & Business Development: No report.

Community Relations: No report

Finance: No report.

Fire Dependency Board: No report

Ordinance: No report

Park Board: No report

Planning Commission: No report

Public Safety: No report

Public Works: No report

Records Retention: No report

Rules: Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had nothing to report.

Zoning and Building Codes: No report

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2020-51 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO, AMENDING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH Third Reading

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Ordinance 2020-51. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-56 A RESOLUTION REGARDING CREDIT CARD USE Second Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Tim Cheney to suspend the rules and the three required readings for Resolution 2020-56. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Resolution 2020-56. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-57 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE GARAGE AT 422 EAST 4TH STREET, WEST LAFAYETTE, TO BE A DILAPIDATED STRUCTURE AND IN VIOLATION OF VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE ORDINANCE NO. 2020-17, DIRECTING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ISSUE A NOTICE AND CITATION TO THE PROPERTY OWNER, DIRECTING THE VILLAGE SOLICITOR TO FILE A COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTION IF THE ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS ARE NOT ABATED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to suspend the rules and the three required readings for Ordinance 2020-57. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Ron Lusk to adopt Ordinance 2020-57. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-58 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2020 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2019-57, ADDING FUNDS Second Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to suspend the rules and the three required readings for Resolution 2020-58. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Resolution 2020-58. Roll call 6 yes.

2020-59 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR, AND FISCAL OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND AND MODIFY THE APRIL 23, 2018 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND THE COSHOCTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

Ordinance 2020-59 was tabled.

2020-60 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO MAKE A TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND AUTHORIZE THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ADJUST PAY ALLOCATIONS RELATIVE TO THIS TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to suspend the rules and the three required readings for Resolution 2020-60. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Resolution 2020-60. Roll call 6 yes.

Committee Meetings:
Building & PropertyCommunity & BusinessCommunity Relations Fire Dependency Board-.
Finance- September 14, 2020 at 6:30 PM
Ordinance- September 8, 2020 at 6:00 PM
Park BoardPublic Safety —
Public Works- September 3, 2020 at 4:00 PM
Records Retention —
Rules —
Zoning & Building Codes — September 8, 2020 at 7:00 PM

Other Business:

Mayor Stephen Bordenkircher had no other business to report.

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

A motion was made at 7:32 PM by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to go into executive session to discuss the purchase of property with the Fiscal Officer and Village Administrator remaining. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made at 7:50 PM by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk 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, September 14, 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.

Attest: