Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on March 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Mayor Stephen R. Bordenkircher presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer

Roll Call:

Rich Wheeler, Bo Fortune, Ron Lusk, Christie Maurer, Tim Cheney and Craig

Bordenkircher were present.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Bo Fortune to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2021 regular council meeting. Roll call 6 yes.

Mayor's Correspondence:

Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving a letter Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage regarding the acquisition of Dominion Energy by Berkshire Hathaway Energy. A mailing from Geneva Carroway from Columbia, South Carolina was received with a packet of scriptures and readings.

Citizens' comments: Hannah Diewald with CDC of Ohio explained the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant process and the need for community feedback and involvement. The grant is for up to \$750,000 and is to include various projects throughout the Village. The Village is asking residents to fill out a survey to provide input on suggestions to improve the Village. Surveys can be found online on the Village website at www.westlafayettevillage.com as well as printed copies at the Library, Post Office and the Village Administration Office.

Zoom Log-in

https://zoom.us/j/96595775556?pwd=eVJIY04vaFFmbU9GSEISRU9kNnRjOT09

Or Dial: 1-301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 965 9577 5556

Passcode: 571265

Department Reports:

Fire: See attached. Chief Gould provided an update on the new rescue vehicle and the expected completion date to be mid-July.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported on Resolution 2021-21to add funds to the General Fund in the amount of \$5,000 to cover equipment needed for the K9 and handler. The February month end cash summary was presented to the Finance committee this evening. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: See attached. Chief Fohl reported attending a Chief's training in London, Ohio and that it was very beneficial. Chief Fohl reported receiving a check in the amount of \$7,700 from Jessie Tubbs and Kaycee Newell that was raised within the community via various fundraisers. The goal set to cover all K9 start-up expenses was \$25,000 and to date, \$28,270 has been raised.

Officer Mans started week #2 with the K9 training this week. The Police truck is awaiting equipment to be installed before it can be ready for the road. The Ford Explorer is out of commission and awaiting estimates for repair at the Ford dealership in Coshocton. Chief Fohl provided current information on the old Crown Victoria showing the value and needed repairs before it could be used on the road again. His request is to deem the vehicle as surplus with no road value and to be sold at the convenience of the Village. Mayor Bordenkircher requested that an Ordinance be prepared for the next council meeting to declare the vehicle as surplus.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, reported speaking to Mr. Samuels regarding the sewer contract. Joel also spoke to the Coshocton County Prosecutor regarding the house forfeiture and stated that it would be upside down once all legal work is finalized therefore was decided to let it go.

Village Administrator: Chris Menapace reported he would no longer be performing any public service announcements regarding the Coshocton water project due to the timeliness of the information received as it has been confusing to the residents. If residents have any questions about their current water bill, they can call the office at 740-545-7834. Any other questions should be directed to the City of Coshocton at 740-622-2626. Water meter installation will begin the week of March 15, 2021 with installing 18-20 meters per day. The Residents MUST call the plumber, which is outlined in their welcome packet from Coshocton, to schedule the meter installation. The bids were closed for the restroom project at the Waterworks ball fields and there was a lowest bidder selected. Work should begin within the next few weeks. Pictures were passed around of an old shed at the Wastewater plant showing damage to the roof, holes in the floor and walls. Chris requested that the shed be deemed as surplus in order to knock it down and destroy. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to destroy the dilapidated structure. Roll call 6 yes. Zoning & Building Codes and Public Works committee meetings were requested.

Mayor Bordenkircher displayed a photo of Village owned property near the Waterworks ball fields. A request was made by Dean Leimbacher to lease property at the base of Plain Hill that squares up to his property and to allow him to farm the land. Council members did express interest in pursuing the lease agreement, looking to lease on an annual basis.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No report

Community & Business Development: No report.

Community Relations: Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported the Chamber of Commerce will begin meeting again on March 23, 2021 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers. There will be a limit of 10 people to physically attend the meeting and others may join via Zoom.

Finance: Chairman Bo Fortune reported meeting March 8, 2021 and reviewed February month end cash summary. A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the February Cash Summary. Roll call 6 yes.

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: No report

Zoning and Building Codes: No report

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2021-20 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, CITY OF COSHOCTON WATER SYSTEM TRANSFER AGREEMENT Second Reading/Emergency

2021-21 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2021 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2020-87, ADDING FUNDS First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2021-21. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Craig Bordenkircher to adopt Resolution 2021-21. Roll call 6 yes.

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property-

Community & Business-

Community Relations -

Fire Dependency Board-.

Finance-

Ordinance-

Park Board-

Planning Commission –

Public Safety – March 17, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Public Works-

Records Retention -

Rules -

Zoning & Building Codes – March 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Other Business:

Mayor Bordenkircher reported no other business to address.

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

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation at 7:51 PM with the Village Administrator and Solicitor to remain. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Tim Cheney to continue in open session at 8:46 PM. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Tim Cheney to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, March 22, 2021 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



February 2021 Fire Report

Incident Type;	Fire 111 Building Fire	1
	Rescue & Emergency Medical Incidents	
	311 Medical Assist	1
	322 Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries	1
	324 Motor Vehicle Accident with No Injuries	3
	Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	
	412 Gas Leak	1
	Good Intent Call	
	651 Smoke Scare, odor of Smoke	1
	False Call	
	733 Smoke Detector Malfunction	2
	Total	10

	February 2021		Year-to-Date
Location of Incident;	Village of West Lafayette	5	9
,	Lafayette Township	3	8
	Linton	0	1
	Oxford	1	1
	White Eyes	1	1
	Out of District	0	4

	Febr	uary 2021	Year-to-Date
Call History;	Total	10	24
	Last Year	12	21

Activity;	Type	Firefi	ghters	Hours
	Emergency Calls Meetings Building Maintenance Tools & Small Engines Vehicle maintenance Training	49 10 7 16 6 23		32.25 20 14 20 12 49.5
			Total Hours	147.75
Payroll;	February 2021		\$490.00	
	Payroll YTD 1/2021		\$3,240.00	
Fire Loss;	February 2021		\$5,000.00	
	Year-to-Date		\$905,500.00	
	Last Year, Year-to-Date		\$337,310.00	



MONTH: February, 2021

WONTH: February, 2021	
Calls for Service	419
Reports Taken	22
Felony Arrests	0
Misdemeanor Arrests	5
Juvenile Arrests	0
Traffic Stops	25
Traffic Citations	5
Traffic Crashes	4
OVI Arrests	0
Warrant Arrests	0
Civil Paper Service	12
Fuel Used	302.481

Chief Matthew Fohl