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## Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on April 26, 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.

### **Opening of bids:**

Bids were received from Michael Poland for \$502 with \$51 enclosed, from Garry Green for \$575 with \$60 enclosed, from Jason Conkle for \$1,200 with a personal check for \$120 which was disqualified as no personal checks are accepted, from Sharier Salvage for \$90 with \$9 enclosed. The winning bid was Garry Green for \$575.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2021 regular council meeting. Roll call 6 yes.

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

Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving a card from Leadership Coshocton County. A letter from Drown Law Offices dated April 15, 2021 with an invitation to the Village of Conesville Service Center and Village Hall groundbreaking. An advertisement for commercial roofing was received.

### **Citizens' comments:**

#### **Zoom Log-in**

<https://zoom.us/j/96595775556?pwd=eVJIY04yaFFmbU9GSElSRU9kNnRjQT09>

**Or Dial: 1-301-715-8592**

**Meeting ID: 965 9577 5556**

**Passcode: 571265**

### **Department Reports:**

**Fire:** No report.

**Fiscal Officer:** Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported on Resolution 2021-30 to approve adding funds into the 101 General Fund for police wage reimbursement in the amount of \$4,597.50, into the 602 Sewer fund for legal counsel for the sewer contract from Frost, Brown & Todd \$8,785 and \$1,000 into the 101 General Fund and 220 Fire Fund to reimburse safety equipment purchased using the PEP safety grant received. Resolution 2021-33 is to express our opposition to HB 157 and if approved, will be sent along to our State Senator and State Representative. Bourne will be attending a couple of webinars on the American Rescue Plan Act funding to be received and hoping to get more insight on how the money can be spent. Bills were passed around for approval.



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**Police:** Chief Fohl reported the new police truck is in service and is on sight for anyone that wants to look at it. Officer Mans and K-9 Stryder were in attendance for Council members to meet Stryder. Matt Dickson and Amanda Rossiter were also in attendance to be sworn in. Dickson will be the auxiliary officer approved at the last council meeting and Rossiter will replace part-time Officer Lindig that is no longer with the Village. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to approve Amanda Rossiter as a part-time officer. Roll call 6 yes. Officer Dickson and Officer Rossiter read their Oaths of Office.

**Solicitor:** Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, was in attendance but had no report.

**Village Administrator:** Chris Menapace reported that Friday, April 30, 2021, the Village residents will be using Coshocton water on a regular basis. If residents have a quality issue with the water, they are to call 740-622-2626 and if they have an issue with the reclamation of their property, they are to call 330-345-6556. Newman's Plumbing has installed around 530 water meters to date, averaging 20-25 each day. The installations are expected to be completed by the end of May. If residents have not called Newman's Plumbing, they need to do so immediately. There will be a cut-off date to have this done and if not, water disconnection notices will be sent to those residents. For residents that had meters changed out on or before April 16, 2021, the bill received will be the final bill from the Village and all future bills will be from the City of Coshocton. If there are any questions with the bills from the Village, residents can call 740-545-7834. The Coshocton water project asphalt work will be completed this week. Tucson will be sweeping the streets as soon as the project is complete. King Street is scheduled to be paved starting on Friday, April 30, 2021 and complete on Monday, May 3, 2021. The cleaning of the storm and sanitary sewers has been completed, other than a small section behind Jones Metal to be done on Tuesday. Throughout this project, a lot of grease was found during the cleaning. A grease audit will begin June 1, 2021 in the Village. Businesses that have commercial kitchens or garages where vehicles are worked on or washed, a grease trap must be installed. Postings were posted on 19 homes for high grass 2 weeks ago and only 3 did not comply and had to be mowed by the Village and thus were invoiced \$100. Another 19 postings were done last week and most have already been mowed. Menapace stressed that according to state law, grass is not permitted to be blown into the streets. With Spring on its way, residents are asked to begin cleaning up yards of trash, dilapidated structures, junk motor vehicles, etc. It is not permitted to throw a tarp over a junk car and be in compliance. ODOT has begun the study of the stop light at Kirk St. and Main St. and results will be shared after 90 days to determine if the light is needed. Ordinance 2021-27 is set for its 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading and is requested that the ordinance be tabled for an indefinite period to allow the County time to make corrections to the contract.

### **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 April 27, 2021 PM in Council Chambers at 6:30 PM. The Chamber has voted to start the Spring Yellow Flag Sales to be held on May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> from 9am-5pm with a \$5 entry fee. Registrations can be found on the chamber website.



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**Finance:** No report

**Fire Dependency Board:** No report.

**Ordinance:** Chairman Craig Bordenkircher reported meeting on April 20, 2021 and reviewed the Pay & Benefit ordinance regarding vacation and sick time as well as reimbursement policy for the Police Department.

**Park Board:** No report

**Planning Commission:** No report

**Public Safety:** Chairman Craig Bordenkircher reported meeting on April 15, 2021 and discussed the personnel and scheduling and possibly adding another full-time officer.

**Public Works:** Chairman Rich Wheeler reported meeting on April 19, 2021 and discussed the possible purchase of a vac truck, results of the storm cleaning and deficiencies in the storm sewer system.

**Records Retention:** No report

**Rules:** No report

**Zoning and Building Codes:** Chairman Bo Fortune reported meeting on April 19, 2021 and continued working on updating codes.

**Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:**

**2021-27 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR, AND FISCAL OFFICER TO EXECTUE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE TO ASSUME OWNERSHIP OF THE FRESNO/PEARL SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM, REPEALING ORDINANCE 2020-59, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** Third Reading/Emergency - **TABLED**

**2021-30 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2021 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2020-87, ADDING FUNDS** First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2021-30. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Craig Bordenkircher and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2021-30. Roll call 6 yes.

**2021-33 A RESOLUTION OPPOSING SUB.HOUSE BILL 157 AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING WITHHOLDING MUNICIPAL EARNED INCOME TAX FOR THOSE WORKING VIRTUALLY AND/OR AT HOME** First Reading/Emergency



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A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2021-33. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Resolution 2021-33. Roll call 6 yes.

### **2021-34 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2021 PAY AND BENEFIT SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH First Reading**

#### **Committee Meetings:**

**Building & Property-**

**Community & Business-**

**Community Relations -**

**Fire Dependency Board-**

**Finance-** May 10, 2021 at 6:30 PM

**Ordinance-**

**Park Board-** April 28, 2021 at 5:00 PM

**Planning Commission –**

**Public Safety –** April 29, 2021 at 5:00 PM

**Public Works-**

**Records Retention –**

**Rules –**

**Zoning & Building Codes –** April 28, 2021 at 6:00 PM

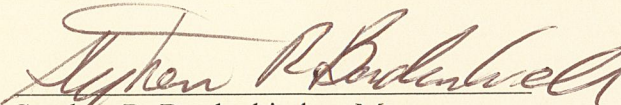
#### **Other Business:**

Mayor Bordenkircher reported that Burt Park is open starting on May 1, 2021 and residents are to follow state guidelines for social distancing.


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 Rich Wheeler to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, May 10, 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](http://www.westlafayettevillage.com) and clicking on the recorded minutes tab.

  
Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Attest:

  
Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer