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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on March 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Mayor Stephen R. Bordenkircher presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer

Roll Call: Rich Wheeler, Christie Maurer, Ron Lusk, Bo Fortune, Brittany Howell and Tim Cheney were present.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Ron Lusk to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on March 14, 2022. Roll call 6 yes.

Mayor's Correspondence: Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving the 2021 Annual Report from the County Engineers office. The 2021 Annual Report from the Coshocton County General Health District was received.

Citizens' comments: Josh Douglass addressed Council regarding the train that stops and idles for many hours, causing much frustration to many residents in the area. Douglass has obtained over 100 signatures so far against the train stopping and idling within the Village limits. He requested that the train stop outside of the Village limits where it will not be a nuisance to the Village residents. Mayor Bordenkircher and Solicitor Joel Blue both addressed Mr. Douglass agreeing that the train is a nuisance, but it does not violate any Village ordinances and train tracks are owned by the Railroad and the train is permitted to sit where it does, unfortunately. Mayor Bordenkircher advised that Mr. Douglass create a formal petition to include the signatures, videos and recordings and submit to the Railroad company since it is out of the jurisdiction of the Village.

Zoom Log-in

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Or Dial: 1-301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 965 9577 5556

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Department Reports:

Fire: No report.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne reported that Ordinance 2022-04 will receive its third and final reading to adopt the 2022 version of the Ohio Basic Code. Ordinance 2022-11 will receive its second reading requesting approval for wage increase for the Labor positions in order to be more competitive as the search begins for a part-time laborer. Resolution 2022-15 will receive its first reading to authorize the Village to enter into an agreement for the ODOT road salt program. Resolution 2022-16 is needed to add fund to the Police Department Community expense account for upcoming events being planned within the Village. Resolution 2022-17 is to request authorization to contract with William Albert Excavating for the Indian

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Circle sewer project. Bourne reminded residents that the Village tax filing deadline is April 18, 2022 and can be done online at www.RitaOhio.com. The Village does have a 1.5% income tax and up through tax year 2021, there is a credit of the full 1.5% if city taxes are paid to another municipality. Starting with tax year 2022, the tax credit will be reduced to .75% and for most residents working outside of the Village, there will be tax payments due. Any questions can be answered by calling the Fiscal Officer's office at 740-545-6541. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: No report. Mayor Bordenkircher announced that the Police Department will be holding an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 3:00 PM.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, apologized for any disruption to him not being able to reach his email once he returned to vacation. The Village offices were switched over to an exchange server to host email and Joel was unable to access until later Saturday.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Tammy Hicks congratulated Nathan Gress for completing his required hours to receive his Wastewater I license. Ordinance 2022-14 will receive its second reading for the sale of the street sweeper and the bucket truck. Bids were opened by Diversified Engineering for the Indian Circle sewer project and it was awarded to William Albert Excavating at \$86,461. Resolution 2022-17 is on the table for approval to enter into contracts with William Albert Excavating for the project work for the amount stated. Hicks will be reaching out to all residents that will be affected by this project to have them sign easements for the work. Potholes are expected to be filled this week. Interviews for the part-time street worker will take place this week. The City of Coshocton will be spraying for mosquitoes again this year in the Village in June, July, August and September. A reminder to residents that as the weather is getting nicer and home projects begin, a building permit is needed for any new construction, addition, fencing, porches, sidewalks, driveways, etc. Building permits can be obtained either in the Village Administration office or online at the www.westlafayettevillage.com. A local Girl Scout troop has requested to buy and plant a tree at Burt Park for a troop project. Hicks reported having various scrap metal and a refrigerator that she would like to have declared as surplus in order to scrap. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to declare the scrap metal and refrigerator as surplus to scrap. Roll call 6 yes. Safe Swimming at Home flyers were handed out reminding residents that pool fences are required for pools that hold 3 feet or more of water. The fence needs to be on the pool itself or around the pool. A smoke test of the sewer lines in the Village will be conducted in May or June. This will assist in locating breaks and defects in the sewer system. Mayor Bordenkircher reported learning of a possible grant that would allow the Village to extend the storm sewer lines out Oak St. all the way to 7th St. The application has been submitted and if awarded could be around a \$700,000 project.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No report.

Community & Business Development: No report.

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Community Relations: Chairwoman Brittany Howell reported there will be an Easter egg hunt on April 10, 2022 at 3:00 PM at Burt Park. The Chamber of Commerce will meet on April 26, 2022.

Finance: No report.

Fire Dependency Board: No report.

Ordinance: Chairman Bo Fortune reported meeting on March 21, 2022 to discuss the Pay & Benefit ordinance, which is on the table for its first reading. The dilapidated structure ordinance should be ready to present for its first reading at the next council meeting.

Park Board: No report.

Planning Commission: No report.

Public Safety: No report

Public Works: No report.

Records Retention: No report.

Rules: No report

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2022-04 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2022 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Third Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Ordinance 2022-04. Roll call 6 yes.

2022-11 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2022 PAY AND BENEFIT SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading/Emergency

2022-12 A RESOLUTION TO UPDATE THE DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN Second Reading

2022-14 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO SELL A BUCKET TRUCK AND A STREET SWEEPER Second Reading/Emergency

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2022-15 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE ODOT ROAD SALT CONTRACTS AWARDED IN 2022 First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Ron Lusk to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2022-15. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Resolution 2022-15. Roll call 6 yes.

2022-16 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2022 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2021-87, ADDING FUNDS First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2022-16. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Resolution 2022-16. Roll call 6 yes.

2022-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY WITH WILLIAM ALBERT EXCAVATING, INC FOR THE INDIAN CIRCLE SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2022-17. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made Tim Cheney and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2022-17. Roll call 6 yes.

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property-

Community & Business-

Community Relations -

Fire Dependency Board-

Finance- April 11, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Ordinance-

Park Board- April 6, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Planning Commission –

Public Safety –

Public Works-

Records Retention – April 6, 2022 at 11:00 AM

Rules –

Other Business:

Mayor Bordenkircher reported having no other business to discuss.

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

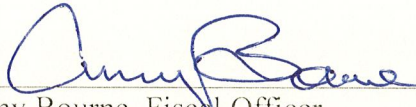
A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.

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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