Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on August 8, 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, Brittany Howell and Tim Cheney were present. Bo

Fortune was on vacation and Ron Lusk was ill.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to excuse Councilman Bo Fortune who is on vacation. Roll call 4 yes.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Brittany Howell to excuse Councilman Ron Lusk due to illness. Roll call 4 yes.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on July 25, 2022. Roll call 4 yes.

**Mayor's Correspondence:** Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving a letter from Buckeye Hills Regional Council regarding forming a governance structure for the Opioid OneOhio Region 12 being formed and suggested legislation to be passed to become part of the group.

Citizens' comments: None

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### **Department Reports:**

**Fire:** Chief Damon Gould reported that his reporting software was not working properly and was not able to provide a full report for July but did provide what he could. The full report will be attached when it is available. Chief passed around pictures of the progress for the new fire truck and it is still expected to be completed by the end of August.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne, reported on the legislation being presented. Ordinance 2022-37 will receive its third and final reading and contains updates to the Village Employee Handbook. Ordinance 2022-40 regarding prohibiting fireworks in the Village will receive its second reading. Ordinance 2022-43 regarding the Village income tax code will receive its first reading. Changes were made to waive the potential penalties and interest this year on Estimated Tax Payments that are not paid in full by January 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. A monthly schedule has been set by the State of Ohio in the Ohio Basic Code that estimated tax payments are to be made quarterly, on April 15<sup>th</sup>, June 15<sup>th</sup>, September 15<sup>th</sup> and January 15<sup>th</sup> and that schedule can't be changed. The penalties and interest will remain for any withholding and

income taxes due by April 15th each year. Ordinance 2022-44 regarding Ohio Basic Code adopted earlier in the year and adding a missing piece of legislation to remain in force. Ordinance 06-98 was added to the list regarding standards for construction details and specifications in the Village. Resolution 2022-45 pertains to adding funds to the General fund for Police uniforms in the amount of \$1,235 to purchase a new vest for the new officers hired. Once purchased the money will be reimbursed by a Bullet-proof Vest grant received. Money is also needed to be added to the Street and Sewer funds for uniforms due to fuel surcharges now being added to the weekly invoices and the addition of the part-time street worker uniforms. Resolution 2022-46 is to give the Village's approval of forming the OneOhio Region 12 governance structure for the Opioid settlement disbursements. Ordinance 2022-47 contains changes to the Building and Zoning codes adding wording about allowing commercial vehicles to park within the residential areas in the Village. Resolution 2022-48 is authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to sign an application for OPWC funding for the sewer outfall project to cover design expenses. The annual County Budget Commission met and reported that there is an increase in the Local Government funding for 2022 of 15% and a small increase for 2023. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Real Estate money should be received by the end of August. The Finance committee met this evening and the July month end cash summary was presented. Bills were passed around for approval.

**Police**: See attached. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that he along with Chief Walters, Amy Bourne the Fiscal Officer and Mike Masloski, the Ridgewood Schools Superintendent, signed the School Resource Officer (SRO) MOU last week. Officer Jose Hernandez will begin working at the schools as the SRO on August 15, 2022, Monday through Friday from 7am-3pm.

**Solicitor:** Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, reported receiving emails regarding the Opioid settlement as well as from the Mayor regarding property issues.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Tammy Hicks reported that the second mosquito spraying happened in July 27<sup>th</sup> and there are 2 more scheduled for August and September. The Village "dump site" at the Waterworks ball park where leaves, limbs, etc. have been dumped, is going to be cleaned up and leveled to prepare for the parking lot that will be done in early Spring of next year. Residents are reminded that there is no dumping in that area and signs are posted. If there are bad storms, the Village will pick up limbs shorter than 3 feet if they are piled along the street, but any other debris is the responsibility of the resident to dispose of. High weeds are becoming an issue, especially along alleys, and preliminary citations will be issued this week. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the Village Administrator, submitted a Clean Ohio Green Space preliminary application for a grant to hopefully help with work that can be done with the Wetlands. He spoke to the Wetlands attorney, Bill Owens and stated that the final deed should be coming soon for final review and signatures. There is a grant from the Coshocton Foundation that is being looked at to possibly replace the decorative light poles on Main St. There are still several sink holes in the area of the Kirk and Union intersection in the Village stemming from the Coshocton water project last summer. The Coshocton Safety Service Director assured it would be taken care of quickly.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Building and Property: No report.

Community & Business Development: No report.

**Community Relations:** No report. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the Homecoming and fireworks were a huge success this year.

**Finance:** Councilwoman Christie Maurer reported meeting on August 8, 2022 at 6:30 pm and that finances are starting to get a little tight in a couple of funds, but still looking good. The July month end reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Rich Wheeler and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve the July month end cash summary. Roll call 4 yes.

Fire Dependency Board: No report.

**Ordinance:** Chairman Bo Fortune was absent. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the committee met on August 2, 2022 and discussed the pool ordinance, fireworks ordinance, building and zoning codes and the Ohio Basic Code ordinance with the addition of a missing ordinance to be added.

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:

2022-37 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE OHIO AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH Third Reading

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Brittany Howell to adopt Ordinance 2022-37. Roll call 4 yes.

2022-40 AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DISCHARGE, IGNITING, OR EXPLODING OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading/Emergency

2022-43 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX CODE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022 First Reading

2022-44 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 First Reading/Emergency

2022-45 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2022 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2021-87 ADDING FUNDS, First Reading/Emergency

2022-46 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ONEOHIO REGION 12 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE UNDER THE ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING First Reading/Emergency

2022-47 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2022-32, THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE BUILDING AND ZONING CODES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

2022-48 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE FISCAL OFFICER OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

Committee Meetings:
Building & PropertyCommunity & BusinessCommunity Relations Fire Dependency Board-.
FinanceOrdinance- August 16, 2022 at 6:00pm
Park BoardPlanning Commission —
Public Safety —
Public Works- August 10, 2022 at 5:30 pm
Records Retention —
Rules —
Tax Review Board —.

#### Other Business:

Mayor Bordenkircher had no further business to report.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Tim Cheney to pay the bills. Roll call 4 yes.

Christie Maurer announced that the West Lafayette Rotary Club will be holding a Health Fair September 10, 2022 from 7-9am at the First Baptist Church in West Lafayette.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, August 22, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 4 yes.

A full recording of this evening's minutes can be heard by visiting <a href="www.westlafayettevillage.com">www.westlafayettevillage.com</a> and clicking on the recorded minutes tab.

Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Attest:

Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer



### WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

MONTH: July 2022

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Calls For Service	395
Reports Taken	27
Felony Arrests	О
Misdemeanor Arrests	3
Juvenile Arrests	0
Traffic Stops	32
Traffic Citations	7
Traffic Crashes	5
OVI Arrests	0
Warrant Arrests	0
Civil Paper Service	1
Fuel Used	\$1,495.63