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## Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on December 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Mayor Stephen R. Bordenkircher presiding.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Prayer**

**Roll Call:** Rich Wheeler, Brittany Howell, Christie Maurer, Tim Cheney, Bo Fortune and Ron Lusk 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 December 12, 2022. Roll call 5 yes. Councilman Fortune abstained.

**Mayor's Correspondence:** Mayor Bordenkircher reported no correspondence.

### **Citizens' comments:**

### **Zoom Log-in**

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

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### **Department Reports:**

**Fire:** No report.

**Fiscal Officer:** Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne, reported on the legislation being presented. Resolution 2022-75 will receive its third and final reading to add funds to the General Fund in the amount of \$3,407.50 to reimburse Police Department wages received from Ridgewood schools for working special events at the schools. Money is also needed in the 608 Pearl Valley Fresno Fund in the amount of \$30,356.86 in order to transfer funds to the 602 Sewer fund per approval from the State Tax Commissioner. Ordinance 2022-77 will receive its first reading to approve Joel Blue to continue as the Village Solicitor for January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. Joel Blue did request an increase in the minimum monthly amount paid for 12 hours worked to \$1,680 per month and the additional hourly rate up to \$140 per hour. This amount falls in line with what was already budgeted for 2023. Resolution 2023-01 will receive its second reading authorizing the Village Administrator to put out to be again the 1986 Pierce Mini Pumper. Resolution 2023-02 will receive its second reading authorizing the Mayor to prepare and submit an application for the TAP grant through ODOT. Ordinance 2023-03 will receive its second reading accepting the plat of the Garden Gate Extension Private Road Subdivision. Bourne requested prior approval to pay any outstanding invoices for 2022 that come in before the next meeting. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to permit the Fiscal Officer to pay any outstanding invoices before the end of the year. Roll call 6 yes. Bills were passed around for approval.



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**Police:** No report.

**Solicitor:** Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, reported the trial for the code violation was abated and did not go to trial. There continues to be issues with documents that need to be signed for the OneOhio group for the Opioid Settlement. Blue continues to seek guidance on what needs to be done on our side. Blue reported that the Shurtz attorney Weir is going to file another continuance in order to allow time for an estate firm quote on what the potential damages will be. The Village has already been awarded the ability to start the project with the easements in place and it is just the amount to be paid that is being questioned by the Shurtz family.

**Village Administrator:** Village Administrator Tammy Hicks reported being awarded the OPWC grant in the amount of \$50,000 to go towards the Village portion owed, which pushes the project begin date out to at least June. Columbia Gas will be finishing their project of the service lines on the East side of town with a new main line down Russell Ave. The work is projected to begin at the beginning of January and letters will go out to the residents to make them aware. Snow accumulations are expected Friday and residents are asked to park off street when there are expected snow accumulations in order to allow the plows to better clean the streets.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Building and Property:** No report

**Community & Business Development:** No report.

**Community Relations:** No report.

**Finance:** No report.

**Fire Dependency Board:** Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported meeting on December 14, 2022 for an organizational meeting. Votes were in favor of keeping the same officers as last year.

**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.



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## **Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:**

### **2022-75 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2022 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2021-87, ADDING FUNDS Third Reading/Emergency**

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Ron Lusk to adopt Resolution 2022-75. Roll call 6 yes.

### **2022-77 AN ORDINANCE TO HIRE A SOLICITOR EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024 First Reading/Emergency**

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Ron Lusk to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 2022-77. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to adopt Ordinance 2022-77. Roll call 6 yes.

### **2023-01 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO SELL A 1986 PIERCE MINI PUMPER Second Reading/Emergency**

### **2023-02 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP) THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FOR THE VILLAGE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading/Emergency**

### **2023-03 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE PLAT OF THE GARDEN GATE EXTENSION PRIVATE ROAD SUBDIVISION IN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO, AND CONFIRMING THE DEDICATION OF THE ROAD EXTENSION AND RIGHT OF WAY TO PRIVATE USE AS SHOWN THEREON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading/Emergency**

#### **Committee Meetings:**

**Building & Property-**

**Community & Business-**

**Community Relations -**

**Fire Dependency Board-**

**Finance- January 9, 2023**

**Ordinance-**

**Park Board-**

**Planning Commission –**

**Public Safety –**

**Public Works-**

**Records Retention –**

**Rules –**

**Tax Review Board –.**



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**Other Business:** Mayor Bordenkircher had no other business to report.

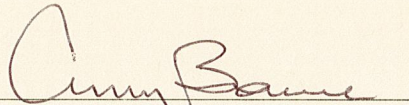
A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to pay the bills. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Ron Lusk and seconded by Tim Cheney to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, 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