

Record of Proceedings

Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on November 27, 2023 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, Adam Fisher and Bo Fortune were present. Jessie Tubbs and Jason Hursey were also present.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Brittany Howell to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on November 13, 2023. Roll call 6 yes.

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

Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the December Council meetings are scheduled for December 11th and December 25th and entertained a motion to change the December 25th meeting. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to change the December 25th meeting to December 18th. Roll call 6 yes.

Citizens' comments: None

Zoom Log-in

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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 that Ordinance 2023-54 will receive its third and final reading with updates to the income tax code for the Village. Ordinance 2023-55 regarding dilapidated structures is updated to remove old "600" codes and will receive its second reading. Ordinance 2023-56 is to establish the 2024 pay and benefit schedule for Village employees and will receive its second reading. Ordinance 2023-57 is to establish the 2024 appropriations for expenses and will receive its second reading. Mayor Bordenkircher will address the final two pieces of legislation. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: No report.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, had nothing to report.

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Village Administrator: Village Administrator Tammy Hicks reported that leaf pickup will be done on December 1, 2023. Residents may then bag the leaves and leave them on the curb strip for pick up. Sidewalks on Russel Ave. from Johnson Ave. through Oak will be completed before Christmas. The remaining sidewalks East of Fair St. will be completed in the Spring. The Neighborhood Revitalization project is officially completed. The playground was installed last Monday and will be available for use soon after the concrete sets. Work is being done on the new website and should be done by the end of the year. A Building and Property committee meeting was requested to discuss updating the Building Permit document.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No report.

Community & Business Development: No report.

Community Relations: Chairwoman Brittany Howell reported the Chamber Christmas parade in the Village will be Saturday, December 2nd at Noon.

Finance: No report.

Fire Dependency Board: Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported meeting this evening at 5:30 and set up the committee for 2024. The citizen is Martin Glazier, Glenn Hill the chairman and Christie Maurer is the Secretary.

Ordinance: Chairman Bo Fortune had nothing to report regarding committee meetings. Fortune addressed Council with a timeline of progression for the Photo Traffic Enforcement System ordinance being presented. On October 19, 2023 a Public Safety committee met and was advised of the school zone speeding issues and the proposal to use the traffic system and there were no objections from the committee. Next, it was presented to the Ordinance committee and there were no objections from the committee. It was then run past the Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, and he presented it to the County Prosecutor and was given a green light to move forward. There has been 39 days lapse since it was first brought before the committees and by the time the legislation is passed, it will have been 60 days since it was first brought to Council. Fortune questioned Council members if any of them feel it is being rushed through. He also asked Council if any of them feel that the safety of the school children does not need to be addressed. No comments were made or any further discussion.

Park Board: No report.

Planning Commission: Rich Wheeler reported on the Regional Planning Commission to say that they did meet, but they did not have a quorum. They did discuss going from a Regional Planning Commission to a County Planning Commission because it would require fewer people to be present.

Public Safety: No report.

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Public Works: No report.

Records Retention: No report.

Rules: No report.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2023-54 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX CODE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024 Third Reading

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to adopt Ordinance 2023-54. Roll call 6 yes.

2023-55 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-26 TO PROVIDE FOR MAINTENANCE OF ANY DILAPIDATED STRUCTURE OR ANY UNSANITARY PREMISES OR NOXIOUS REAL ESTATE, PROVIDING FOR ERADICATION OF NUISANCES, PROVIDING DEFINITIONS, PENALTIES, AND PROVIDING FOR ABATEMENT Second Reading

2023-56 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2024 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

2023-57 AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 Second Reading/Emergency

2023-58 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A PHOTO TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM WITHIN SCHOOL ZONES AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES First Reading

2023-59 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND POLICE CHIEF TO SIGN AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY WITH BLUE LINE SOLUTIONS, LLC First Reading

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property- December 6, 2023 at 6:00pm

Community & Business-

Community Relations –

Fire Dependency Board-

Finance-December 11, 2023 at 6:30pm

Ordinance-

Park Board- November 30, 2023 at 5:00pm

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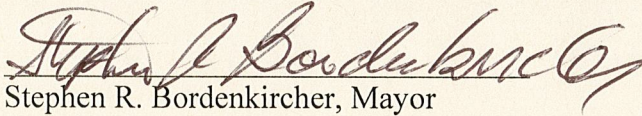
Planning Commission –
Public Safety –
Public Works –
Records Retention –
Rules –
Tax Review Board –

Other Business:

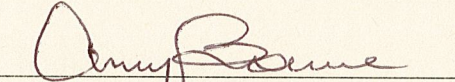
A motion was made by Adam Fisher and seconded by Christie Maurer to pay the bills. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Adam Fisher and seconded by Rich Wheeler to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, December 11, 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 and clicking on the recorded minutes tab.


Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

Attest:


Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer