

Record of Proceedings

Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on February 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, and Bo Fortune were present. Also in attendance were Fire Chief Damon Gould, Adam Fisher, Gerald McKenna and Garry Green..

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on February 13, 2023. Roll call 5 yes.

Address Council Vacancy: Mayor Bordenkircher reported that after discussions with Councilman Bo Fortune, that they have an individual that they would like to appoint to fill the vacancy left by Ron Lusk. Councilman Bo Fortune reported that he and Councilwoman Brittany Lusk interviewed 2 qualified candidates on Thursday and after discussions feel that Adam Fisher is the best candidate to fill the vacancy. Mayor Bordenkircher mentioned that Fisher is currently a member of the Fire Department and Ohio Revised Code states that you can't be an employee of the Village and hold an elected position. However, if the appointee is willing to waive their wages as a member of the Fire Department, then the appointment on Council can happen. Fisher has signed a waiver to any wages with the Fire Department. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded to appoint Adam Fisher to fill the vacancy of Ron Lusk's unexpired term through December 31, 2023. Roll call 5 yes. Mayor Bordenkircher presented the Oath of Council to Adam Fisher. Councilman Fisher took his seat at the Council table. Mayor Bordenkircher stated that Councilman Fisher will be serving as a member on the Buildings and Property committee, Finance committee, Park Board committee, Public Safety committee and Chairman of the Planning Commission.

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

Opening of Bids for 1986 Pierce Mini Pumper: First bid opened was from Garry Green in the amount of \$7,340.50 and included a check for \$800. Second bid was from Ron and Stephanie Moore in the amount of \$8,500 and included two money orders totaling \$850.10. Third bid was from the Village of Newcomerstown in the amount of \$7,501.00 and included a check in the amount of \$750.10. Fourth bid was from Gerrald McKenna in the amount of \$10,500 and included a check in the amount of \$1,050. Fifth bid was from Larry Frye in the amount of \$9,317 and included a check in the amount of \$1,000. Gerrald McKenna won the bid at \$10,500 and will work with the Fiscal Officer to finalize the transaction. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to accept the bid of Gerrald McKenna for the 1986 Pierce Mini Pumper. Roll call 6 yes.

Citizens' comments: None

Zoom Log-in

<https://zoom.us/j/96595775556?pwd=eVJlY04yaFFmbU9GSElSRU9kNnRjQT09>

Record of Proceedings

Or Dial: 1-301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 965 9577 5556

Passcode: 571265

Department Reports:

Fire: See attached.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne, reported on the legislation being presented. Ordinance 2023-05 regarding changes to the septage hauling will receive its third and final reading. Resolution 2023-08 is to authorize the Mayor to sign the application for the Safe Routes to School application and will receive its second reading and was requested to waive the third and final reading and pass the resolution this evening due to the application deadline being March 3, 2023. Resolution 2023-09 is to update the list of authorized users for credit card use and will receive its second reading. Ordinance 2023-10 is to update various sections in the 2023 Pay and Benefit ordinance to reflect the Police Department change to 12-hour shifts and will receive its second reading. Ordinance 2023-11 is to update the Employee Handbook to reflect the changes to 12-hour shifts in the Police Department. Resolution 2023-12 is to state the appointment of officers Rossiter, Bishop, Berry and Wallace who have completed their 6-month probationary period with the Village. This will receive its first reading and is requested to waive the three required readings. Officer Cichon will be completing his soon as well. Resolution 2023-13 is to accept the terms of the latest Opioid settlement agreement and Solicitor Joel Blue will speak more to that in his report. Bills were passed around for approval. A Community Relations committee meeting was requested when it comes time to schedule committee meetings.

Police: No report.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, reported that the resolution is for an agreement with pharmacies such as Walgreens, Wal-Mart, CVS and contains the same language as the other agreements already signed. The Village will be receiving very little money from this settlement, if any.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Tammy Hicks reported issuing 6 more preliminary citations for property and code violations and will be asking for a Buildings and Property committee meeting to discuss 4 more cases to be sent to the Solicitor for further action. Hicks requested an Ordinance committee meeting to discuss pool fences and stated a Public Hearing needs to be scheduled to review a renewal application for placement of farmland in an agricultural district. Meeting will be held prior to the next Council meeting on March 13, 2023 at 6:00pm. William Albert will begin installation of the storm drain on Orchard by the Fire Department as well as Phase 2 of the sidewalk replacement on Russell. Tree and stump removal will begin next week. Letters have been posted to all affected residents in the work zone. Mayor Bordenkircher requested a Public Works committee next week to discuss the several projects involving Sewer.

Record of Proceedings

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No report.

Community & Business Development: No report.

Community Relations: Chairwoman Brittany Howell reported that the WL Chamber of Commerce will meet in Council Chambers on February 28, 2023 at 6:30pm.

Finance: No report.

Fire Dependency Board: Fire Chief Damon Gould reported that Trent Lingo applied at the Fire Department. Lingo is a full-time member of the Coshocton City Fire department and has his level 2 firefighter training and lives on Hal-Kar Rd. A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the appointment of Trent Lingo as a firefighter. Roll call 6 yes.

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.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2023-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PERMITTING AND REGULATING THE RECEIPT AND DISCHARGE OF APPROVED HAULED DOMESTIC AND/OR INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL SEPTAGE AND/OR WASTEWATER AT THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Third Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Brittany Howell to adopt Ordinance 2023-05. Roll call 6 yes.

2023-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY (LPA) TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) PROGRAM Second Reading/Emergency

Record of Proceedings

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2023-08. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Tim Cheney to adopt Resolution 2023-08. Roll call 6 yes.

2023-09 A RESOLUTION REGARDING CREDIT CARD USE Second Reading/Emergency

2023-10 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2023 PAY AND BENEFIT SCHEDULE FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading

2023-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH Second Reading

2023-12 A RESOLUTION STATING THE APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE POLICE OFFICERS AMANDA ROSSITER, BRANDON BISHOP, NATHAN BERRY AND WESLEY WALLACE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Tim Cheney to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2023-12. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Tim Cheney and seconded by Brittany Howell to adopt Resolution 2023-12. Roll call 6 yes.

2023-13 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONEOHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2023-13. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Bo Fortune to adopt Resolution 2023-13. Roll call 6 yes.

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property- March 8, 2023 at 6:00pm

Community & Business-

Community Relations – March 6, 2023 at 6:00pm

Fire Dependency Board-

Finance- March 13, 2023 at 6:30pm

Ordinance- March 7, 2023 at 6:00pm

Park Board-

Planning Commission –

Public Safety –

Public Works- March 7, 2023 at 7:00pm

Record of Proceedings

Records Retention –

Rules –

Tax Review Board –

Public Hearing – March 13, 2023 at 6:00pm

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

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

A motion was made at 7:33pm by Bo Fortune and seconded by Brittany Howell to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation and personnel with the Village Administrator and Fiscal Officer to remain. Roll call 6 yes.

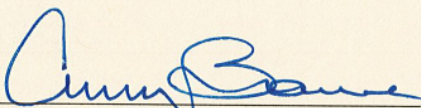
A motion was made at 7:50pm by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to continue in open session. Roll call 6 yes. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Brittany Howell to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, March 13, 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