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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on July 24, 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.

A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on July 10, 2023. Roll call 6 yes.

Mayor's Correspondence: Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving an invitation dated July 13, 2023 from the Leadership Coshocton County to the welcoming event of the newest group of leaders to be held at Clary Gardens on August 15, 2023 at 6:30pm. A letter dated July 17, 2023 from the Coshocton County Public Health District to inform that the Board of Health director has resigned and the DAC will need to meet at a future date to appoint the replacement. The regular meeting will be held on July 20, 2023 at 5:30pm in the Community Events room on Chestnut St.

Citizens' comments: None

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Department Reports:

Fire: No report.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne, reported on the legislation being presented. Ordinance 2023-37 will receive its second reading with a proposed sewer rate increase of 10% and the addition of a \$100 processing fee for delinquent accounts sent to the County Auditor for property tax to be assessed. The new rates will be effective with the October 2023 billing. The annual meeting for the Coshocton County Budget Commission will be on August 7, 2023 at 6:00pm at the community room at Frontier Power Company on S. 2nd St. Bourne and Mayor Bordenkircher will be in attendance and possibly members of the Finance committee. The Military Banner program is still going on and applications can be found on the Village website, Facebook page and in the Village Administration building. There have been 2 banners hung and 5 more have been received and will be hung this week. Bills were passed around for approval.

Police: Chief Walters announced that he will be running for Coshocton County Sheriff in the 2024 election.

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Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, reported receiving some complaints from the Village Administrator to be filed for dilapidated structures.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Tammy Hicks reported that MJ Excavation has begun the extension of the Oak St. storm sewer line to 7th St. today and should be done by Thursday afternoon. Hicks met with Verdantas on July 18th to review and walk the Russell Ave sidewalk plans. The engineer is currently finalizing the construction contract. The project is estimated at approximately \$375,000. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Tim Cheney to authorize the advertising for bids for the sidewalk project. Roll call 6 yes. There are handicap parking signs located at 301 E. 4th Street that are no longer needed due to the handicap resident no longer residing at the address. Hicks requested approval to remove the signs. A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Bo Fortune to remove the handicap parking sign located at 301 E. 4th St. Rear. Roll call 6 yes. Excavation has begun on the Main St. public parking lot. The sidewalk and approaches will be poured this week. The Street Department will be weed eating the parade route in preparation for the street sweeper on Thursday. Residents are asked to refrain from parking on Russell Avenue Thursday morning. Signs will be posted. The Street Department has worked hard the past few weeks cleaning and painting areas in Burt Park as well as painting the exteriors of both the Fire Station and the Police Station. Hicks requested approval to declare old office equipment and furniture as surplus. A motion was made by Bo Fortune and seconded by Adam Fisher to declare office equipment and furniture as surplus for disposal. Roll call 6 yes.

Committee Reports:

Building and Property: No report.

Community & Business Development: Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported meeting on July 17, 2023 and discussed current businesses in town, empty buildings and buildings available for rent.

Community Relations: No report. Mayor Bordenkircher reported that the Chamber will meet tomorrow night.

Finance: No report.

Fire Dependency Board: No report.

Ordinance: No report.

Park Board: Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported meeting on July 17, 2023 and shared that the farmers market will be back at Burt Park starting April 2024 on Saturdays. There was also discussion about all of the cleanup and painting done in the park by the Street department and a possible splash pad in either Burt Park or Waterworks Park. The playground at the Waterworks park should be done later this year.

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Planning Commission: No report.

Public Safety: No report.

Public Works: No report.

Records Retention: No report.

Rules: No report.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2023-37 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWER RATES, AND SEWER REGULATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO, AMENDING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Second Reading/Emergency

Committee Meetings:

Building & Property-

Community & Business-

Community Relations –

Fire Dependency Board-

Finance- August 14, 2023 at 6:30pm.

Ordinance-

Park Board-

Planning Commission –

Public Safety –

Public Works-

Records Retention –

Rules –

Tax Review Board –.

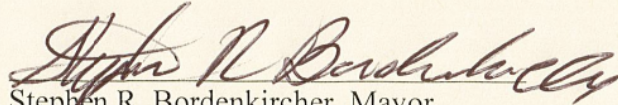
Other Business: Mayor Bordenkircher reported receiving some complaints about the mosquito spraying. Mayor spoke to Max Crown with the City of Coshocton and they should be here this week to spray again. Comments were made that the spraying doesn't seem to be working. Mayor Bordenkircher explained that the allowable spray being used now only attacks the mosquitos out within a 12 hour period, where the prior spray would last for 24-36 hours. The Homecoming Parade will be Friday night and the Fireworks will be Saturday evening and everyone is encouraged to attend.

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

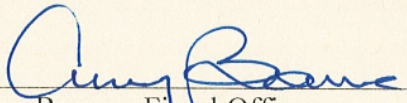
A motion was made by Adam Fisher and seconded by Rich Wheeler to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.

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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