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Minutes of West Lafayette Village Council Regular Meeting

West Lafayette Village Council met in regular session on March 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the municipal building with Mayor Jessica Tubbs presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer

Roll Call: Rich Wheeler, Jason Hursey, Brittany Howell, Adam Fisher, Tim Cheney and Christie Maurer were present. Fire Chief Damon Gould, Police Chief Eckelberry, Officer King, Corey with Rumpke Trash, Shanna Simmons from Kimble, Di Koch from WTNS, Leonard Hayhurst from the Coshocton Tribune and several village residents were also present.

A motion was made by Jason Hursey and seconded by Christie Maurer to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on March 10, 2025. Roll call 6 yes.

Mayor's Correspondence: Mayor Tubbs reported receiving 36 emails regarding village wide trash that were either for or against the service or didn't understand the ballot language when voting.

Citizens' comments: Justin Bradford, Jacob Yoho, Larry Freetage and other village residents spoke to the village wide trash issue that is before council that will receive its second reading this evening.

Department Reports:

Fire: No report.

Fiscal Officer: Fiscal Officer, Amy Bourne, reported that Ordinance 2025-09 will receive its third and final reading regulating open burning in the village. Ordinance 2025-12 will receive its second reading authorizing contracts for village wide trash service. Resolution 2025-13 will receive its first reading to add funds for the Sewer Outfall project. OWDA and OPWC loans were approved to finish financing the Sewer Outfall project and funds need to be appropriated accordingly. For the 406 OPWC fund, a \$51,000 loan was approved and for the 610 OWDA Sewer WWTP fund, and additional \$561,520 loan was approved. The Ordinance committee will speak to ordinance 2025-14. Bills were passed for approval.

Police: No report.

Solicitor: Village Solicitor, Joel Blue, reported reviewing contracts and drafting ordinances.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Tammy Hicks reported that her updates would be reported during other committee reports.

Committee Reports:

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Building and Property: Chairman Tim Cheney reported a preliminary citation was issued to residents at 216 E. Railroad Street for trash.

Community & Business Development: Chairwoman Christie Maurer reported that Rally Point Gaming has moved to the old Mint Ivy building and had a Grand Opening and is open for business. Lori's Heavenly Sweets is expected to open April 1st at 101 W. Railroad St. The Dari Hut has been purchased by Amy Hicks Into and is expected to open mid-May.

Community Relations: Chairwoman Brittany Howell reported the Easter Egg Hunt will be April 18th at 10am at the football stadium. Village clean-up day will be April 26th.

Community Revitalization: Chairman Adam Fisher reported there will be a meeting on April 2, 2025 at 6pm.

Finance: No report.

Fire Dependency Board: No report.

Ordinance: Chairman Jason Hursey reported Ordinance 2025-14 will receive its first reading to revoke ordinance 2018-32 that permits village elected officials and officers to conceal carry in certain village buildings. Due to the additional cost for the liability insurance and the new security measures being taken, it has been determined that the ordinance is no longer necessary.

Park Board: No report.

Planning Commission: No report.

Public Safety: Chairman Adam Fisher reported a new access control security system and cameras has been installed at the village administration office.

Public Works: Chairman Rich Wheeler reported discussing the village wide trash service, lift station auto dialers now using wi-fi, and the Sewer Outfall project will begin soon. The sidewalk bids will be advertised on March 27th and April 3rd. The RCAP study and Pearl Valley cheese contract was discussed.

Records Retention: No report.

Rules: No report.

Introduction to ordinances and resolutions:

2025-09 AN ORDINANCE REGULATING OPEN BURNING WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO Third Reading

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Jason Hursey to adopt Ordinance 2025-09. Roll call 6 yes.

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2025-12 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND/OR VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE, OHIO TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR VILLAGE-WIDE TRASH SERVICE Second Reading

2025-13 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2025 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2024-48, ADDING FUNDS First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Jason Hursey to waive the three required readings for Resolution 2025-13. Roll call 6 yes.

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Tim Cheney to adopt Resolution 2025-13. Roll call 6 yes.

2025-14 AN ORDINANCE REVOKING ELECTED OFFICIALS' AND OFFICERS' PERMISSION TO CONCEAL CARRY IN CERTAIN VILLAGE BUILDINGS (ORDINANCE 2018-32), ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY First Reading/Emergency

A motion was made by Christie Maurer and seconded by Jason Hursey to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 2025-14. Roll call 6yes.

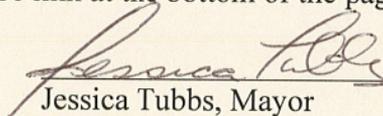
A motion was made by Jason Hursey and seconded by Christie Maurer to adopt Ordinance 2025-14. Roll call 6 yes.

Other Business: None

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

A motion was made by Adam Fisher and seconded by Jason Hursey to adjourn until the next meeting on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call 6 yes.

A full recording of this evening's minutes can be viewed by visiting www.westlafayettevillage.com and clicking on either the Facebook or YouTube link at the bottom of the page under CONTACTS.



Jessica Tubbs, Mayor

Attest:



Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer