

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., OCTOBER 20, 2016 AT THE FIREHOUSE.**

The regular meeting of the Village of Lewisburg, Ohio Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pat Putnam.

**ROLL CALL:** Kim Cahill, Clerk of Council.

**PRESENT:** Council Members Dennis Roberts, Belinda Harry, Mark Madigan, Marsha Jones, and Donald Wright. Jackie Sewert was absent. Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Law Director Rick Faber, Fire Chief Bob Sewert, and Police Chief Rick McGee.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2016 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Donald Wright. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Mayor Putnam). Motion approved.

**CITIZENS:** None.

**MAYOR:** Manager Sewert and I met with the Lewisburg Trailriders and presented that organization with a proclamation for its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The open house during Fire Prevention Week was well attended. Manager Sewert concurred. Mrs. Jones stated that the smoke room was amazing.

There was a business roundtable of Preble County businesses this afternoon at the Community Center with Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor. Mrs. Jones, filling in for Mayor Putnam, was honored to introduce Lt. Gov. Taylor to the approximately 28-30 people in attendance. It was a good event and was well attended.

**LEGAL: FIRST READING:** RESOLUTION CREATING A BICENTENNIAL BOARD FOR THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only.

Mr. Faber explained the resolution, which will take effect in 30 days. At that time, the group will be sworn in. He also explained that the officers must be residents of the Village.

Motion to waive the three reading requirement. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Donald Wright. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion to waive approved.

Motion to adopt **Resolution 2016-11** RESOLUTION CREATING A BICENTENNIAL BOARD FOR THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO. First by Donald Wright. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion to adopt approved.

Jackie Sewert arrived at the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**MUNICIPAL MANAGER:** The newsletter went out last week.

Turned over discussion of Ways and Means Committee meeting to Mrs. Jones, who reported that the committee is recommending wage increases for part-time employees. Motion recommending that Law Director Faber create a new Ordinance for the pay increases. First by Donald Wright. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Addressed the letter from the Lewisburg Historical Society. Mrs. Jones stated that the Society is really coming together and doing a nice job.

**SAFETY:** There is a blood drive on October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The open house for Fire Prevention Week was held last week. We had groups coming through the firehouse all week. In November, Firefighter Bill will be at the school.

Last Saturday, the new Village firefighters went to the training center and did live burns. Everything went well, and they will be working on cutting up cars at the next training session.

We have new gear racks in the firehouse. The Service Dept. employees got them installed quickly. A big thank you goes out to them. We are a great team. These racks were purchased with money from an estate left to the Fire Department about 10-12 years ago.

**POLICE:** Met with a potential donor last week, who is willing to cover the remainder of the start-up costs of the police dog. We will go pick out the dog on November 3. Cpl. Johnson will then go through a 10-week training with the dog. The dog will be dual purpose – drug and pursuit. The initial costs are now paid for. Manager Sewert thanked Chief McGee for making this happen.

**LIBRARY:** None.

**PARK:** The Park Board met on October 17.

So far, about 40-50 trees have been taken down in preparation of the start of the stream bank project, which is scheduled for November 1.

The park looks amazing.

Manager Sewert explained the grant money process and how we use it. Mr. Roberts suggested maybe putting in more safety features at the park with any extra money.

Manager Sewert reported that he will have a water tower update at the next meeting, along with an update on the wastewater plant issue.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mrs. Harry asked about the status of the council’s tour of the Mars plant. We will work to get that set up.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Wright noted that Chief McGee looks nice tonight.

**MISC. BUSINESS:** Mayor Putnam thanked Mrs. Jones for filling in for him at the Preble County Business Roundtable.

Manager Sewert noted that the next council meeting on November 3 will be Donald Wright’s last.

The United Church of Christ will host a soup dinner on October 29.

Treat or Treat is October 31 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A men’s smoke out will be held at the Community of Faith Church on October 29 at 5:00 p.m.

Mrs. Harry thanked our police department, which has been very busy.

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

TIME 8:08 p.m. MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ CLERK OF COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_