

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., JANUARY 18, 2018 AT THE FIREHOUSE.**

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

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

**PRESENT:** Council Members Dennis Roberts, Belinda Harry, Mark Madigan, Lori Pheanis, Ted Thies and Chad Woodworth. 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 January 4, 2018 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**CITIZENS:** Jill Cline and Amy Ehler from Royal Canin addressed council for permission to hold a 5-K run in town on May 12. The route was discussed and it will be a bit different from last year. Details for the route will be worked out with Chief McGee for council's approval at the February 1 meeting. Motion to authorize Chief McGee to work with Royal Canin on the new route. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Steve Bruns, Esq. announced that he was running for Preble County Common Pleas Court judge. He has been Judge Abruzzo's magistrate for the last eight years and may be running unopposed. He gave a detailed explanation of his qualifications and goals for the county.

**MAYOR:** The Bicentennial Way sign will be put up at the corner of Commerce and Dayton Streets. Motion to approve the Bicentennial Way sign being put up at the corner of Commerce and Dayton Streets. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. A dedication will be done when the weather breaks.

Would like to schedule a strategic planning session in March. Motion to set the council strategic planning session for March 10 at the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

The Preble County Emergency Management Association will be holding sessions on Monday, January 22. If you want to attend, please let the Clerk of Council know tomorrow so she can RSVP for you.

Addressed the Ohio Municipal League's Council Training Series. Mayor Jones recommended new council members attend if they can, as this is very helpful.

**LEGAL: FIRST READING:** LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2017 ENTERPRISE ZONE ANNUAL REPORT. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only. Mr. Faber explained that this is done annually and explained the Enterprise Zone.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt **Resolution 2018-01** LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2017 ENTERPRISE ZONE ANNUAL REPORT. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**FIRST READING:** RESOLUTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.03 IN PREPARATION TO PLACING A TAX LEVY ON THE BALLOT AT THE MAY, 2018, PRIMARY ELECTION. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt **Resolution 2018-02** RESOLUTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.03 IN PREPARATION TO PLACING A TAX LEVY ON THE BALLOT AT THE MAY, 2018, PRIMARY ELECTION. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**MUNICIPAL MANAGER:** Reported that the Ways and Means Committee met, and turned the meeting over to Lori Pheanis to report. She stated that the committee discussed employee benefits, which is a priority for this year. We will be shopping around for next year.

Addressed Dana Robbins' request to retire, then be rehired in the same position. The effective date of retirement would be February 28, and effective date of rehire would be March 1. Manager Sewert stated that Mr. Robbins would be hired as a new hire, and would be at Level One at a salary of \$17.22 per hour. He recommended council approve Mr. Robbins' request. Motion to approve Dana Robbins' request to retire on February 28, 2018, then be rehired in the same position on March 1, 2018. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Addressed the letter from 6<sup>th</sup> Grade T.A.C.O.S. thanking Manager Sewert for his help with First Lego League.

Addressed the house located at Rt. 40 and N. Main Street that the Village purchased. A contractor has agreed to provide the paint and the labor for the house. We will have to choose a color scheme and asked council to be thinking about that. There was discussion on what to do with the house.

We are still waiting on an update from ODOT regarding the paving on Rt. 40 and St. Rt. 503.

**SAFETY:** We recently did the 6-month evaluation of Aaron Kimmel. He is a class act and an asset to the community and the department. We are lucky to have him here. Recommend a pay increase to Level 3. Motion to increase Aaron Kimmel's pay to Level 3. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote. 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

We have received the new turnout gear. The department is very appreciative.

**POLICE:** Nothing to report.

**LIBRARY:** Mrs. Harry reported that there are several applicants for the Director position. The library is currently planning its summer reading program.

**PARK:** Mr. Thies reported that the Park Board elected Brenda Gullickson as Chairperson and Marti Eley has Vice-Chairperson. The board discussed the unresolved issue of where to plant the Ed Brennan memorial tree. Two board members will be resigning soon, and they will need to be replaced.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mr. Woodworth reported that the Historical Society met with Jim Simon of Simon Insurance regarding the insurance issues. Mr. Simon confirmed that the Historical Society does have coverage.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**MISC. BUSINESS:** None.

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

TIME 8:50 p.m. MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

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