

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., OCTOBER 3, 2019, AT THE FIREHOUSE.

The regular meeting of the Village of Lewisburg, Ohio Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Marsha Jones.

ROLL CALL: Jeff Sewert, Municipal Manager.

PRESENT: Mayor Marsha Jones, Council Members Dennis Roberts, Belinda Harry, Lori Pheanis, Mark Madigan, and Chad Woodworth. Ted Thies 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 September 19, 2019, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: Brad Dreischarf owner of Sarah's Pizza, here in Lewisburg, Ohio, on U.S. 40 gave a brief introduction of himself and announced he and his family had recently purchased the longtime Lewisburg Pizza Business and had also recently received the transfer of a liquor permit held by John Wysong's Midway Restaurant.

After a brief discussion and with no objections to the proposed transfer of the liquor license by Police Chief, Rick McGee, a motion by Mark Madigan and second by Belinda Harry to NOT request a hearing pertaining to the transfer of the liquor permit. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MAYOR: Reported on a proposal from State Representative, J. Todd Smith, to designate a Patriotic Parkway that would require a Resolution of Council to approve at the next meeting.

Reported that she just came from a meeting of the Bicentennial Building Committee, and the committee has set October 19, at 5:15 p.m. and directly following Harvest Fest to dedicate the Bicentennial Square (formerly called the Greenspace).

LEGAL: There were no legal matters or documents for the meeting.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Reported that he and Council person Roberts took a drive throughout the Village and discussed potential future development consisting of residential, commercial, and industrial property. A more detailed report will be forthcoming from the Municipal Manager.

Reported that he and Fire/EMS Chief Sewert will be attending the Village of Verona Council Meeting on Monday, October 7, 2019, to present the new EMS contract, and will report back to Council at our next Village of Lewisburg Council Meeting.

Reported that Village Service Department Staff will be flushing fire hydrants beginning on Sunday evening, October 6, 2019, through Friday morning and between the hours of 11 p.m. until 5 a.m.

Reported that Village Service Department Staff will begin the annual leaf pick-up program on Monday, October 7, 2019.

Reported that he received a notice that the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) schedule of paving St. Rt. 503 through the Village is late 2019 or early 2020. The Manager stated he will follow-up with ODOT to see if the Village could have a more defined timeline.

Reported that he would like to begin the process of preparing specifications and bidding procedures for a new Police Cruiser and Village Dump Truck. The consensus of Village Council was to allow the Municipal Manager to begin preparing specifications before seeking approval of Village Council to begin the bidding process.

Reported that there were recent pump failures within the Wastewater and Sanitary Sewer System Pump Stations, which might result in a need for grant or loan funding from the Ohio Water Development Authority. A more detailed report will be made at the next Village Council Meeting.

SAFETY: Chief Sewert stated that Fire Prevention Week is forthcoming the week of October 7-14 and his department and staff are preparing for various activities focusing on fire safety for both young and old within the community, which also includes visiting the Tri-County North Schools and tours of the Fire Station with preschoolers.

Chief Sewert reported on a collaboration with the American Red Cross. The Red Cross will be providing smoke detectors to the fire department to give to residents in need.

POLICE: Chief McGee reported the monthly has been prepared and is available tonight for Mayor and Village Council.

Chief McGee reported that Corporal Johnson and K-9 Officer Apollo received National K-9 Certification.

Chief McGee reported on the recent Community Night Out held on October 1, 2019, and stated it was a huge success.

LIBRARY: Belinda Harry reported on upcoming events at the Library, which includes the Read a Book program.

Belinda Harry reported the next meeting of the Library Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

PARK: Mayor Jones reported that the Lewisburg Area Council of Churches will be having a Community Worship Service on Wednesday, October 23, in the area of the Covered Bridge. The Service will be from 7-8 p.m. and include a bonfire (weather permitting), message, and music.

OLD BUSINESS: Rick Faber gave an update on the recent annexation. The annexation has been approved by the County Commissioners, with the Village Council to have an Ordinance to accept or reject the annexation in December, 2019.

Lori Pheanis reminded Village Council that she will be at the library on October 14 to read a book to children teaching them to be kind.

NEW BUSINESS: Mark Madigan reminded everyone in attendance that Bingo is scheduled on Saturday, October 12, and Harvest Fest, in Downtown Lewisburg, sponsored by Lewisburg Life will be held on October 19.

Mayor Jones reminded everyone in attendance, that the Bicentennial Square will be dedicated immediately following Harvest Fest at 5:15 p.m.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mayor Jones announced the upcoming community events, which is also included in your Village Council packet for your use.

Lori Pheanis reported that she will be having some health related matters taken care of beginning the first of November, and will be unable to attend Village Council meetings until possibly after the first of the year. After discussion to excuse her absences from Council meetings during this time period, First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 1 Abstention Lori Pheanis.

Dennis Roberts reported he liked the recent paintings of curbs and crosswalks as part of the Street Resurfacing Project. Mr. Roberts recommended for this to continue as part of the 2020 Budget if funds are available, as it adds to the aesthetics to place a finished touch to the resurfacing project.

Chad Woodworth asked the Municipal Manager to continue to move forward with the Curb Appeal program that was implemented this past year, in the absence of the Village Administrative Assistant.

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

TIME 7:55 p.m. MAYOR _____

DATE _____ CLERK OF COUNCIL _____