

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., FEBRUARY 15, 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.

Mr. Madigan asked about the blanked lines on the check disbursement report. Manager Sewert explained that these were individuals receiving tax refunds whose names were blanked out for privacy purposes. Motion to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2018 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: None.

MAYOR: Nothing to report.

LEGAL: FIRST READING: ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only.

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

Motion to adopt **Ordinance 2018-01** ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Mr. Faber reported on the Community Reinvestment Area 2018 Tax Incentive Review Council. The meeting is Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. He recommended a motion to appoint Jeff, Sewert, Kanny Schlotterbeck and Kim Cahill to attend on behalf of the Village. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Mr. Faber explained the CRA and that the two businesses subject to CRA agreements both appear to be in compliance. Manager Sewert thanked Mr. Faber, Kanny Schlotterbeck, and Margee McClain for their work on this.

Has not heard back from ODOT regarding assistance in repairing potholes on St. Rt. 503 through town. If we haven't heard something soon, we will have to proceed with repairs on our own as the potholes are getting worse.

Downtown grant projects will be starting in April. We will have Susan Laux of Mote & Associates at one of the council meetings to explain where the grant monies are going.

Turned discussion over to Lori Pheanis, who reported that the Lewisburg Chamber of Commerce met earlier tonight and were looking at ways to promote businesses within the Village. They will be looking at interstate advertising to bring visitors in from the highway.

Had lunch last week with Congressman Warren Davidson. We discussed tax reform.

Thanks to council for touring the house at N. Main St. & Rt. 40. We will make a decision about what we want to do with the house at the March 1 council meeting. There was discussion about what to do with it. Mr. Woodworth stated that he saw no use for it and thought it should come down. The Historical Society has not expressed a use for it. Mr. Roberts asked whether or not it could be moved to the land where the depot is so that the Historical Society

could restore it. It was thought it couldn't be moved because of the brick it contained. This discussion will be tabled until the March 1 meeting.

Turned over discussion to Chief McGee, who introduced Larry Hart. Chief McGee would like to hire Mr. Hart as a part-time police officer for the Village. Manager Sewert recommended the hiring. Motion to hire Larry Hart as a part-time police officer for the Village of Lewisburg. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Mr. Hart was then sworn in by Mr. Faber.

SAFETY: Chief Sewert reported that the department continues to be very busy. They will be looking into other medical facilities in which to transport patients due to the upcoming closure of Good Samaritan Hospital, which the LEU utilized a lot. The department will have to educate the citizens on where we can and cannot go.

POLICE: Chief McGee reported that Apollo had his first success track the other night when the school bus was stolen. He did a great job.

LIBRARY: Mrs. Harry reported that she met the new director of the library, Mary Ellen Lakes. She starts March 1. There will be an open house for her on March 5 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. She reported on various other activities that will be going on at the library.

PARK: Mr. Thies reported that the next meeting is Monday, February 19, in the Village office at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Madigan said the next Bicentennial meeting is Monday, February 19, at 6:30 p.m.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mr. Madigan reported that the Abe Lincoln impersonator will be at the Community Center on February 17 for two shows – 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Jones reported the opening of two new businesses in the Village – Livin' on Dreams and Paisley Perfect Photography by Mandy, located at 210 N. Commerce Street. The ribbon cutting will be at 10:00 a.m. and the grand openings for both business will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 17.

Mr. Thies reported that the TCN girls' varsity soccer team was presented with a banner recently for being the champions of the CCC.

Mayor Jones reported that the Day of Caring will be February 25 at the United Church of Christ and United Methodist Church. The churches are asking for volunteers.

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

TIME 8:14 p.m. MAYOR _____

DATE _____ CLERK OF COUNCIL _____