

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., MARCH 16, 2017 AT THE FIREHOUSE.**

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

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

**PRESENT:** Council Members Dennis Roberts, Belinda Harry, Mark Madigan, Jackie Sewert, Marsha Jones, and Chad Woodworth. Mayor Pat Putnam 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 March 2, 2017 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**CITIZENS:** None.

**MAYOR:** Mrs. Jones reported on the passing of local businessman Eddie Brennan and gave details for his memorial service.

**LEGAL: FIRST READING:** LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2016 COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA ANNUAL REPORT. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only. Mr. Faber explained the need to report to the state by March 31 and recommended a waiver of the three readings. He reported the results for Pratt and DM Tool. Mr. Madigan expressed his frustration with the state's delay in getting the necessary forms to us, thus limiting our time to respond. Manager Sewert thanked Mr. Faber for his hard work getting this done on time.

Motion to waive the three reading requirement. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt **Resolution 2017-02** ACCEPTING THE 2016 COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA ANNUAL REPORT. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**MUNICIPAL MANAGER:** Turned discussion over to Mr. Faber, who announced that the closing on the Farler property would be tomorrow, March 17, at 1:00 p.m.

**SAFETY:** Chief Sewert presented Randy Anderson's resignation letter, effective March 31, and recommended the resignation be accepted. Mr. Anderson would like to stay on as a part-time employee. Motion to accept Randy Anderson's resignation. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Motion to hire Randy Anderson as a part-time employee. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Tornado sirens were tested on March 11. There was an error which will be corrected.

**POLICE:** K9 Apollo's new body armor should be in next week. It has been paid for by an anonymous donor through the Spikes K9 Fund organization.

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**7:45 P.M. – THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED** REGARDING THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN THE USES OF LAND LOCATED IN A ZONED "NB" NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT SO AS TO MAKE CAR WASHES A PERMITTED USE INSTEAD OF A CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USE UNDER SECTION 1147.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF LEWISBURG, OHIO.

Mr. Faber explained the reason for the hearing and provided information on the difference between a permitted use and a conditionally permitted use. He informed the citizens in attendance that they needed to sign in on the sheet provided in order to be able to speak at this hearing. Those who wanted to speak signed in. Then, Mr. Faber asked the clerk to read off the first name on the list.

Barbara Felton spoke first. She stated that traffic issues are a huge concern as she grew up in the house directly across the street from the property where the proposed car wash would be. She also had a huge concern with the water runoff and trash generated by a car wash. She also felt that lighting and noise were also issues.

Steve Shiverdecker stated that he lives across the street from the property where the proposed car wash would be. His concern is noise as he works third shift and sleeps during the day. He stated that no one wants to live next to that.

Marsha Sink stated that noise, lights and water run off were her concerns. She said she hears the noise from the bank's drive through at her house. She thought the car wash would be too noisy. She asked about the changing of the ordinance to adapt to a business as she felt this was an "end run" because of the conditional use permit being turned down last year. Mr. Faber explained the process for changing an ordinance.

Park Harry stated that he believes the water issue can be addressed, the noise can be contained, and the lights can be adjusted. He was for the change as he believes the car wash would be good for the town.

There was no other testimony; thus, the public hearing was closed at 8:03 p.m.

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**LEGAL: FIRST READING:** ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1147.02 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE WITHIN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, SO AS TO CHANGE CAR WASHES FROM A CONDITIONALLY PERMITTED USE TO A PERMITTED USE IN THE "NB" NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only.

There was much discussion this issue. The major concern was that of how a car wash would affect the neighbors. Manager Sewert said he believed that the developer would put in a good product, and that he would have final approval of the plans. Council agreed that they want more information from Manager Sewert to satisfy the concerns of the neighbors, and this issue will be addressed at the next meeting.

**LIBRARY:** Will hold a book signing event for Cheryl Scott Keely on March 25 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Ms. Keely will donate \$1 to the library for every one of her books sold.

**PARK:** The next meeting is March 20. Park cleanup is scheduled for April 8 at 9:00 a.m. Mrs. Jones stated that the Historical Society will also have a clean-up day on April 8.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mr. Roberts asked about the status of grants. Manager Sewert gave an update on the grant situations. He reported that the Clay Street project starts in April.

Manager Sewert addressed the issue of allowing utility vehicles on the streets. Mr. Madigan recommended that a 7-member panel be created to look into the issue – 2 from council; 1 Police; Manager Sewert; 2 citizens; and a legal advisor. There was much discussion. It was decided that the Safety Committee will take the lead and will invite citizens to participate.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Manager Sewert advised that there was a good crowd for the quarter auction at the Community Center tonight, which was a fundraiser for the Class of 2018.

**MISC. BUSINESS:** Mr. Madigan reported that the \$500 was finally given away at Bingo last week. The next Bingo is April 8.

Mrs. Harry reminded everyone of the United Church of Christ's Creamed Chicken & Biscuit dinner on the 18<sup>th</sup>. She also stated that she spoke with Chief Strawser of the West Alex Police Department regarding the UTV issue. Chief Strawser told her he would be happy to answer any questions we had regarding that issue.

Mrs. Jones wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day tomorrow. She also reported the following:

- Monday, March 20, is the first day of spring.
- The Bicentennial marketing meeting will be at the Library on March 20 at 6:30 p.m.
- TCN School Board Meeting in the Lecture Room on March 20 at 7:30 p.m.
- Historical Society Blacksmith Shop is open Saturday, March 25, from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- There is no school the week of March 27.
- TCNCA meeting at the Community Center on Monday, April 3, at 6:30 p.m.

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

TIME 8:35 p.m. MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

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