

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., MARCH 21, 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: 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 March 7, 2019 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: Pam Baker and Barb Foster of the Bicentennial Committee gave the final report for the committee. They presented Mayor Jones with a binder of documents and a flash drive containing all of the minutes of the committee meetings. Mrs. Baker read a letter to the mayor and council. Mayor Jones thanked Mrs. Baker for her leadership.

MAYOR: Reported on meetings recently attended.

Gave an update on the Lewisburg Community Garden. The Village has received a \$500 donation from the Preble County Farm Bureau toward the project. Motion to accept the \$500 donation from the Preble County Farm Bureau for the Lewisburg Community Garden project. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

LEGAL: FIRST READING: LEWISBURG, OHIO RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2018 COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA ANNUAL REPORT. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only. Mr. Faber read the highlights of how the businesses, Pratt and D&M Tool, did this past year. Both companies are in full compliance.

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

Motion to adopt **Resolution 2019-03** LEWISBURG, OHIO RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2018 COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA ANNUAL REPORT. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

FIRST READING: ORDINANCE REGARDING THE NAMING OF NEW VILLAGE STREETS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO, MUNICIPAL LIMITS UPON AND AFTER AN ANNEXATION BY SAID VILLAGE. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only. Mr. Faber explained the goal of the ordinance for future annexations.

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 **Ordinance 2019-06** ORDINANCE REGARDING THE NAMING OF NEW VILLAGE STREETS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO, MUNICIPAL LIMITS UPON AND AFTER AN ANNEXATION BY SAID VILLAGE. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Manager Sewert thanked Mr. Faber for his work on the CRA annual report.

Reported that the Webster property is close to moving toward annexation. Will have more to report on this at the next meeting.

Bids for the new refuse truck were opened on March 15 at noon. There was only one bid – Best Equipment. He then reviewed the bid with council. A meeting is scheduled with Farmers State Bank next week to obtain a proposal for a loan for the truck. He will present the results of that meeting at the next council meeting, along with a recommendation.

A letter received from the Ohio Department of Commerce states that all alcohol permits in the Village will expire June 1. There was discussion whether there were issues at any the establishments holding permits and whether Council needed to take action to have any permits revoked. Chief McGee indicated that there have been no incidents at any of the establishments. Motion to not have a hearing regarding the revocation of liquor permits. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

In further review of the healthcare issue, found that SOCA (Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance) is in our current network. We have requested and should be receiving a quote in early April. Hope to have that to report to council the first meeting in April. The Ways and Means Committee will need to meet before the next council meeting.

Regarding the coop program, interviewed Casey Whipp for a part-time coop position with the Service department through August, 2019. He would be working for approximately three hours a day, then going back to school. Recommend hiring Mr. Whipp. Motion to hire Casey Whipp as a part-time coop employee with the Service department. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

As an FYI, met with representative of Premier Health in an effort to add to Lewisburg Thrives. Premier Health has expressed an interest in getting more involved in the community.

There is a renewal levy coming up in November. This is a 3.8 mil general fund levy. We have been looking at the possibility of a replacement levy instead of a renewal levy. Will be working with Mr. Faber on this and report back to council.

Turned the floor over to Mr. Woodworth, who presented a map of the Village for the property maintenance program. The Village has been split up into quadrants, and there is a lot of clean-up to do. Will be meeting with Mr. Faber soon to determine how to enforce this. The program will be starting soon.

Reported that Josh Harry is working on getting quotes for the mural lighting.

There are lots of projects going on this spring. We will be very busy.

SAFETY: Reported that new addresses were being assigned to the new double on Singer Street.

Pat Fink reported that on March 31 the Fire department will be holding a simulated fire/rescue response at the Cumberland House around 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Jones reported on the presentation of a grant request to Cargill to benefit the Fire department.

Mayor Jones reported on safety meetings attended.

POLICE: Chief McGee had nothing to report. Mayor Jones thanked Chief McGee for his work on the COOP document. There was discussion about the COOP.

LIBRARY: Handed out the library director's report. They are promoting their summer reading program.

PARK: Mr. Thies reported on the March 18 Park Board meeting. Park clean-up is scheduled for April 13 at 9:00 a.m. Baseball starts April 1. Baseball officers asked that the grass infield of the Knapke Lane diamond be removed, and the Park Board approved that. The Park Board also approved a memorial tree replacement program. The trees are all hardwoods and the cost will be \$500 each. The Park Board would like to give a 5-year warranty with every tree purchase. Mr. Faber requested that a proposal from the Park Board be presented to council for approval. Mr. Thies will get this from the board. There will be pee wee football at the park this year. Reported on the recent Rec Center committee meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Jones reported on recent and upcoming events.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Madigan indicated that handicap parking signs are needed at the Community Center. Manager Sewert stated he would get those.

Mr. Thies reported the next Rec Center committee meeting is May 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Manager Sewert read a thank you note from Sandy Foor, wife of former Village employee, John Foor.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mr. Madigan reported the next Lewisburg Life meeting is April 3 at 5:30 p.m. at Livin' on Dreams.

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

TIME 8:24 p.m. MAYOR _____

DATE _____ CLERK OF COUNCIL _____