

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., MAY 19, 2016 AT THE FIREHOUSE.

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

ROLL CALL: Kim Cahill, Clerk of Council

PRESENT: Council Members Dennis Roberts, Belinda Harry, Mark Madigan, and Jackie Sewert were present. Marsha Jones, and Donald Wright were 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 May 5, 2016 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZEN: Mayor Putnam introduced Ashley Wright, recipient of the 2016 LEU Simon Hobbs Scholarship. Chief Sewert presented Ms. Wright with a check for \$500.

Chief Sewert then recognized Allie Kring, who received her EMT certification from Miami Valley CTC. We are very proud of Allie.

Chief Sewert also recognized Kendra Vanover, who received her certification as a Fire Safety Inspector from Sinclair Community College. We are proud of her as well and she will be a big help to the department.

MAYOR: Reported that this is National EMS Week. Thanks to Chief Sewert and his staff, who have done an outstanding job.

This is also National Police Memorial Week. We remember Sgt. Jason Hines, whom we lost unexpectedly in 2013. We thank Chief McGee and his staff. We are lucky to have such a great department.

LEGAL: None.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: First, thanks to both Chief Sewert and Chief McGee for the outstanding job they do for our community.

GOBA will be in town on June 22 and 23. Mark Madigan then gave an update on the status of preparations. Both days' events will be held at the Community Center. This will be a great opportunity to promote the village.

Bridges Bikes & Blues will be at the park on June 18.

There will be a meeting of the Ways & Means Committee on June 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the firehouse. The next Budget Workshop is scheduled for June 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the firehouse.

We will be repairing streets around town with hot mix before the Memorial Day weekend.

We are working on specs for the water tower repair. We plan to put it out to bid in late summer. We will also go through the EPA for loan assistance. The estimated cost will be \$50,000.

The water park will open on May 24 for the school's elementary Book Walk, and will remain open through Labor Day.

The Color Run is Saturday, May 21, at the park.

SAFETY: We will be starting the classes soon for the Service Department employees. We are still waiting on some gear and will get started once that arrives.

We were on the scene of a house fire on Sunday. We had the opportunity to utilize oxygen masks to save the homeowner's cats. The masks had been donated by a citizen.

I am so grateful for the people we have in the Fire/EMS Departments. They make my job easier.

POLICE: None.

LIBRARY: None.

PARK: The board members viewed trees that were marked for removal. We are ready to put out a bid to have the trees removed before the beginning of the stream bank project in August or September. Many thanks to Mindy Harry for her help in getting the grant for this project.

There is also a problem with the ash trees in the park due ash borer disease. Those trees will be removed as well. The board members discussed having a tree expert come in to discuss where to plant new trees.

May 28 is the first Movie in the Park night. The movie is Pixels.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Madigan inquired about the status of the tornado siren in Knollwood. Chief Sewert said he will have an update on that at the June meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: We received a letter from the Preble County Commissioners. Our application for the downtown business grant has been approved at the county level. It will now go to the state for consideration.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mr. Roberts asked if there was funding available to assist us with the ash tree borer problem. We will check to see if there are grant monies to help.

There was discussion about the article in the Brookville Star about citizens being upset where their tax dollars were being spent since the income tax rate increase.

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

TIME 8:10 p.m. MAYOR _____

DATE _____ CLERK OF COUNCIL _____