

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., MAY 4, 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, Marsha Jones, and Chad Woodworth. Jackie Sewert and Mayor Pat Putnam were absent. Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Law Director Rick Faber, Asst. Fire Chief Kenny Pierce (for Fire Chief Bob Sewert, who was absent) and Police Chief Rick McGee.

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2017 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mark Madigan. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: None.

MAYOR: None.

LEGAL: FIRST READING: RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only. Mr. Faber explained that this was the second step in getting the Fire/EMS replacement levy on the November ballot. Manager Sewert said that this pays for one paramedic.

Motion to waive the three reading rule. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt **Resolution 2017-05** RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: There was a ribbon cutting for the Bicentennial store located in the old Rudy Cole barbershop. Mr. Madigan said the store is now open and there are a number of items for sale. It also serves as a museum of items as well.

Turned over to Chief McGee, who presented the resignation of Officer Mick Retman. Chief McGee recommended accepting the resignation. Motion to accept the resignation of Officer Mick Retman. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion accepted.

Addressed the letter to the Village from State Rep. Jeff Rezabek regarding the grant for the downtown revitalization project. We did not get the funding, but Mr. Rezabek will continue to advocate for those funds in the future.

Addressed the 2017 Water & Sewer Rate Survey. The Village's rates are still in the lower third.

Thanks to council and the mayor for your support.

SAFETY: None.

POLICE: Distributed monthly report. TCN would like to hold another Color Run this year. The route would be the same as last year, except they would be starting at the Knapke Lane shelter. Motion to approve the Color Run. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

LIBRARY: None.

PARK: The TCN Community Association's train may be retired due to insurance issues. Opening day was cold and wet. The fence on Knapke Lane looks great. The newly-planted trees look great. The Dave Scott replacement tree looks great, too. The next board meeting is May 15 at the Knapke Lane shelter.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Manager Sewert stated that the Village was being very aggressive with property maintenance issues around town. Clint Baughman is taking the lead on this. The TCN football team is going to help in two upcoming property maintenance projects. We are working with property owners on S. Water Street to help spruce up that neighborhood.

Mrs. Jones reported that the Lewisburg Historical Society has asked for a council member to be a liaison for their Board. Mr. Woodworth said he would be happy to fill that role. He will attend board meetings and report back to council. Motion to appoint Chad Woodworth as liaison to the Lewisburg Historical Society Board of Directors. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Marsha Jones. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Mr. Madigan reminded everyone of Bingo on Saturday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mr. Madigan asked whether the recent tornado siren tests worked. Asst. Fire Chief Pierce stated that he did not have that information from Chief Sewert, but would have it available at the next council meeting.

At this time, Mrs. Jones asked to go into executive session. Motion to go into executive session. First by Marsha Jones. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. The meeting went into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

The meeting went back into regular session at 8:05 p.m. with no action being taken.

Mr. Faber stated that the Village received six petitions for a referendum on Ordinance 2017-06. He explained the process that will put this Ordinance on the November ballot.

Mrs. Harry asked the status of the applications for the Fire/EMS position. Manager Sewert said that we are still working on it.

Manager Sewert stated that Lewisburg really is the best kept secret in Preble County.

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

TIME 8:17 p.m. MAYOR _____

DATE _____ CLERK OF COUNCIL _____