

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 AT THE FIREHOUSE.**

The regular meeting of the Village of Lewisburg, Ohio 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, Jackie Sewert, and Donald Wright. Marsha Jones 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 August 16, 2016 regular Village Council Meeting. First by Donald Wright. Second by Mark Madigan. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**CITIZENS:** Joe Renner, candidate for County Commissioner, was introduced by Mayor Putnam. Mr. Renner is running for Chris Day's seat. He explained his position on the office and what he believes needs to happen to help keep Preble County rural.

**MAYOR:** Had dinner on Wednesday with Jeff Sewert, the Royal Canin people, and Brenda Latanza of the Preble County Development Partnership. We are building a great relationship with Royal Canin. Manager Sewert said that we are still working with Royal Canin on the Police K9. In addition, he recently toured the Royal Canin facilities. It is a fascinating place. There is more to come with this relationship. Royal Canin wants to do more with the Village and have invited council members on a tour of the facility. They are doing a lot of building at the Lewisburg facility. We will work toward getting a tour set up for the council members.

Thanks to everyone who helped with Derby Days, which was a great success. The rides were great and the races and fireworks were phenomenal. Thanks to Jeff Sewert and his staff for the quick clean up on Sunday. Manager Sewert offered a big thank you to Park Harry for his hard work during Derby Days.

Thanks to the Service, Fire and Police Departments for all they did after the storm came through this past Saturday. Even the citizens got out and helped. That's our community – everyone helps. Mark Madigan suggested, for the future, that we look into getting a generator for the Community Center and using it as a shelter for the local citizens should they not have power.

**LEGAL: FIRST READING:** ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECODIFICATION, EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO. Belinda Harry read the first reading by title only.

Mr. Faber explained that this is done every year to keep current with the Ohio Revised Code.

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

Motion to adopt **Ordinance 2016-07** ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RECODIFICATION, EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO. First by Donald Wright. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion to adopt approved.

**MUNICIPAL MANAGER:** We have been getting telephone calls from residents regarding keeping chickens in town. Should we update the ordinance and disallow this? There was much discussion on the topic. Mr. Sewert recommended that a new ordinance be prepared not allowing chickens. Clerk of Council will email sample ordinances to council for review and discussion at a future council meeting.

Turned over discussion to Chief McGee, who said that Pastor Justice has requested that E. Harrison Street be blocked off from N. Commerce Street to the alley for the fall festival on October 31 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Motion to

allow the E. Harrison Street to be blocked off from N. Commerce Street to the alley for the fall festival on October 31 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. First by Donald Wright. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Tour de Donut will be in town on September 10.

Clerk of Council will work with the members of the Ways and Means Committee to schedule a meeting before the October 6 council meeting.

Thanks to Mr. Renner for coming to the council meeting this evening.

Regarding the storm this past Saturday, everyone worked together. We are a team and I am very proud to work in this position with this council and the team I have at the Village.

Responded to Mr. Madigan that street paving would be done next year.

**SAFETY:** Received a letter of resignation from EMS Jeffrey Hale. Motion to accept resignation of EMS Jeffrey Hale. First by Donald Wright. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No.

**POLICE:** Distributed the monthly report.

Major Renner will do a great job if elected county commissioner.

Mr. Madigan asked what we could do to assist the local young homeless man. Chief McGee reported that we will do all we can for him, and have done so at this point. Will continue to urge him to go to the homeless shelter in Eaton, especially during the cold weather months.

**LIBRARY:** There is an ongoing book sale.

**PARK:** The next board meeting is September 19 at the park.

The spray park will stay open one more week due to the warm weather. Mrs. Sewert recommended that we revise the instructions sign at the park to include activating the device with bare feet. We are getting numerous calls about the spray park not working because people are not taking off their shoes when trying to activate it.

Discussed the status of the stream bank project. We will start taking down the trees next week.

Movie in the Park will be back in 2017. The soccer association may be doing one yet this year.

Manager Sewert hopes to have an update soon on the resealing of the walking path in the park.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**MISC. BUSINESS:** Mrs. Harry reported that the Community Association was selling calendars again.

Manager Sewert said that repairs to the water tower will begin in October and last approximately two weeks.

Chief Sewert reported that the seven Service Department members took their level 1 firefighter test this week. Three of them passed. There was an issue with information not getting disseminated, so the four who did not pass will take the test again this Wednesday. We are looking forward to them being with us. Manager Sewert stated that we are very proud of them.

Mr. Madigan reminded everyone of Bingo on Saturday, September 10, at the Community Center. The doors open at 6 p.m.

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 1 No. Motion approved.

TIME 8:28 p.m. MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

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