

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., NOVEMBER 19, 2020, AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER.

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: Eliza Wagoner, Clerk of Council.

PRESENT: Mayor Marsha Jones, Council Members Belinda Harry, Lori Pheanis, Chad Woodworth, Dennis Roberts, and Ted Thies. Mark Madigan was absent. Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Law Director Rick Faber, Fire & EMS Chief Bob Sewert, Police Chief Rick McGee, and Service Department Supervisor, Josh Harry.

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2020, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the check disbursement report. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the purchase order report. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the COVID 19 Relief Fund expense report. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: None.

At 7:04 P.M., everyone present went outside to view three new Village vehicles in the parking lot. The K-9 Unit Police truck, the First Responder vehicle, and dump truck were all there to see and learn about some of the new features. At 7:14 P.M., everyone returned back inside to continue the meeting.

MAYOR: Mayor Jones gave updates on recent meetings. There was discussion about the Village lighting of the park event. It was decided to get more info and talk to the Health Department before making final decisions on the event. Mayor Jones wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

LEGAL: 1ST READING: (Read by Belinda Harry) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,096,800 VARIOUS PURPOSE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020, BY THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Lori Pheanis excused herself from the meeting at 7:35 P.M. due to her employer.

Manager Sewert and Law Director Faber explained the information regarding this Ordinance. Discussion about the new fire truck that would be purchased with part of this money followed.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2020-15: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,096,800 VARIOUS PURPOSE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020, BY THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Lori Pheanis returned to the meeting at 7:44 P.M.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Motion to approve the Municipal Manager and Chief Sewert to purchase the new fire truck after all the necessary Bond procedures are finalized. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Lori Pheanis). Motion approved.

Chief Sewert stated that they have received 9 applications for the First Responder position that will replace Kenny. They will be reviewing the applications next week, then start the interview process with several rounds of interviews, and hope to have a candidate to bring before Council by the second December meeting.

Manager Sewert stated that the crosswalk request discussed at the last meeting is being turned over to Mote Engineers to look into. He also stated that the Village offices were closed to the public until further notice due to potential Covid exposure.

Josh Harry provided an update on the work being done at the firehouse bunk area: most of the heating/air has been installed, everything is painted, getting ready to do the flooring, everything is going well.

Manager Sewert went over the plan for new housing for the refuse truck. Motion to approve the purchase of a 20x80 pole barn from Flag Lumber for \$25,000.00. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Council received copies of info about the 501(c)3 groups found on the internet that are located in the 45338 area.

Manager Sewert thanked Council for the new equipment and vehicles and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

SAFETY: Chief Sewert stated that both departments are ecstatic about the two new vehicles; both the first responder vehicle that they just got and the new fire truck coming. He also spoke very highly about Kenny Pierce who is retiring from the departments very soon.

POLICE: Chief McGee provided the monthly police report, thanked Council for the new police truck, and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

LIBRARY: Belinda Harry stated that the Library had been temporarily closed due to Covid and that the board meeting had to be rescheduled until the 24th.

PARK: Motion to appoint Mary Ellen Lakes to be the school representative on the Park Board. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mayor Jones gave updates on recent meetings and meetings and events that have been cancelled.

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

DATE _____ MAYOR _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____