

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., MARCH 7, 2024, AT THE LEWISBURG COMMUNITY CENTER.**

The regular meeting of the Village of Lewisburg, Ohio Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Dennis Roberts.

**ROLL CALL:** Eliza Wagoner, Clerk of Council.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dennis Roberts, Council Members Marla Colville-Brown, Barb Foster, Mary Nelson, Ted Thies, and Jackie Sewert.

Lori Pheanis was absent.

Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Police Chief Rick McGee, Fire & EMS Chief B.J. Sewert, Law Director Steve Hobbs (arrived at 7:05 P.M.), and Fiscal Officer Susan Laux.

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2024, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the check disbursement report. First by Barb Foster. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

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

**CITIZENS:** None.

**MAYOR:** None.

**LEGAL:** 1<sup>ST</sup> READING (Read by Mary Nelson): TO PROVIDE FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN AND AMONG THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CITY AND VILLAGE COUNCILS, AND TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES WITHIN THE MIAMI VALLEY REGION OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO IN THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

Law Director Hobbs arrived.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Ted Thies. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-03: TO PROVIDE FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN AND AMONG THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CITY AND VILLAGE COUNCILS, AND TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES WITHIN THE MIAMI VALLEY REGION OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO IN THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. First by Ted Thies. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1<sup>ST</sup> READING (Read by Mary Nelson): A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT THROUGH THE PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO COMMISSIONERS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE 200 BLOCK OF NORTH COMMERCE STREET IN THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT THROUGH THE CDBG FLEXIBLE GRANT DOWNTOWN BUILDINGS PROGRAM.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-04: A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT THROUGH THE PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO COMMISSIONERS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE 200 BLOCK OF NORTH COMMERCE STREET IN THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT THROUGH THE CDBG FLEXIBLE GRANT DOWNTOWN BUILDINGS PROGRAM. First by Marla Colville-Brown. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**MUNICIPAL MANAGER:** Manager Sewert gave an update on installing more outside lighting at the community center, the upcoming TIRC Meeting, recent water/wastewater seminar, solar eclipse event planning, and letter received from the Ohio Department of Commerce regarding Cable TV Consumer Hotline.

After a recommendation from Chief McGee and Manager Sewert, Motion to hire Nathaniel Jeffers part-time as an intern with the police department. First by Jackie Sewert. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**SAFETY:** Motion to appoint BJ Sewert, Bryan Sowers, Jon Tucker, Lori Pheanis, and Jackie Sewert to serve as members of the volunteer fire dependency fund board. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**POLICE:** None.

**LIBRARY:** Barb Foster reported on upcoming events.

**PARK:** Motion to approve the baseball opening day parade on April 20, 2024, at 10:00 A.M., and to close the roads for the normal parade route. First by Ted Thies. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**MISC. BUSINESS:** None.

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the potential acquisition of real estate, and allow the Fiscal Officer, Law Director, Municipal Manager, and Clerk to stay. First by Barb Foster. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Meeting moved into Executive Session at 7:47 P.M.

Motion to move the meeting out of Executive Session back into regular session with no action taken. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Meeting moved back into regular session at 8:16 P.M.

Motion to adjourn. First by Ted Thies. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

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