

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., JULY 3, 2025, 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, Lori Pheanis, and Ted Thies.

Jackie Sewert and Fire & EMS Chief Bob Sewert were absent.

Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Police Chief Gary Parker, and Law Director Steve Hobbs.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2025, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Barb Foster. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

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

Motion to approve the purchase order report. First by Marla Colville-Brown. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: Vicki Gilmer shared pictures and information about playground proposals from three companies. There was discussion about the different options.

Motion to direct the Municipal Manager to look into financing and negotiating with the Gilmers and Bluegrass Recreation Sales and Installation on their playground proposal. First by Ted Thies. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MAYOR: None.

LEGAL: 1ST READING (Read by Mary Nelson): A LEWISBURG, OHIO, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04 DEALING WITH ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-06: A LEWISBURG, OHIO, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04 DEALING WITH ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Mary Nelson): A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.

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

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-08: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN. First by Barb Foster. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Manager Sewert shared a resignation letter from Daniel Bishop. Motion to accept the resignation of Daniel Bishop, a part-time police officer, effective July 6, 2025. First by Ted Thies. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Police Chief Parker shared a flyer for the full-time and part-time police officer positions currently open. Motion to approve the Police Department advertising flyer for their job openings with the change of adding the benefits are for the full-time position. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Manager Sewert shared a resignation letter from Bryan Sowers. Motion to accept the resignation of Bryan Sowers, as a full-time firefighter/paramedic, effective July 7, 2025. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to allow Bryan Sowers to stay as the Assistant Fire/EMS Chief and as a part-time Fire/EMS employee. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to allow the Lewisburg Trailriders Club to host a beer garden during Derby Days on August 7th-9th by the gazebo across from the Firehouse. First by Ted Thies. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 1 No (Marla Colville-Brown). Motion approved.

Motion to prepare an Ordinance for a first reading for moving forward with joining RITA. First by Ted Thies. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Dennis Roberts). Motion approved.

Manager Sewert shared the lease agreement proposals from Company Wrench for a compact track loader and a mini excavator. Motion to approve the lease agreement with Company Wrench for a JCB 270T compact track loader, with 5 annual payments of \$12,689.47 and for a JCB 55z mini excavator, with 5 annual payments of \$18,508.52. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Manager Sewert shared that Jackie's Kitchen Food Trailer has invited the Mayor, Council, and Village Employees to their soft opening on July 9th from 10:30-1:30 by the Gazebo across from the Firehouse.

SAFETY: None.

POLICE: Chief Parker shared the monthly Police Department call log and that officers have been giving popsicles to the kids at the Village spray park.

LIBRARY: Barb Foster shared that the summer reading program is going well.

PARK: Ted Thies shared that the poles have been installed around the new Pickleball/Basketball Court at the park.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MISC. BUSINESS: None.

Motion to adjourn. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

DATE _____ MAYOR _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____