

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., AUGUST 6, 2025, AT THE LEWISBURG COMMUNITY CENTER.

The regular meeting of the Village of Lewisburg, Ohio Council was called to order at 7:12 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, Jackie Sewert, and Ted Thies.

Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Police Chief Gary Parker, Fire & EMS Chief Bob Sewert, and Law Director Steve Hobbs (arrived at 7:15 P.M.).

Fire/EMS Chief Sewert introduced Justin Burneka who shared a little about his background and prior experience. After the recommendation from Chief Sewert and Manager Sewert, Motion to hire Justin Burneka full-time as a Firefighter/Paramedic. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Law Director Hobbs arrived and administered the Oath Affidavit to Justin Burneka.

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2025, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Ted Thies). Motion approved.

Motion to approve the check disbursement report. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the purchase order report. First by Barb Foster. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: None.

MAYOR: None.

LEGAL: 2ND READING (Read by Mary Nelson): AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH A REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX IN THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO.

Manager Sewert shared a sample letter that RITA sent to another village to announce the changeover to their residents.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Manager Sewert stated that there are some part-time employees that haven't worked for a while that he would like to approve to still be able to work on an as needed

basis. Motion to approve to have Colin Whipp as a part-time employee in the Service Department. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Chief Parker shared about the recent necessary repairs to a police cruiser. Wetzel Ford repaired/replaced the water pump and turbos for \$7,313.04. Motion to approve paying Wetzel Ford \$7,313.04 for the work done on the police cruiser. First by Barb Foster. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

SAFETY: Chief Sewert shared information from the report for the first half of 2025 EMS billing/collections.

POLICE: Chief Parker shared an update on trying to fill the current police openings.

LIBRARY: Barb Foster shared that the foam party was a big success, and the summer reading program went well.

PARK: Manager Sewert shared about requests for a pickleball net. He plans on putting it in the budget for 2026 as they cost around \$5,000.00. Manager Sewert also gave an update on the playground and there was discussion about some work that needs done in the park.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Manager Sewert shared an update about the 303 W Cumberland St property that is currently for sale.

MISC. BUSINESS: None.

Motion to adjourn. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

DATE _____ MAYOR _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____