

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., JANUARY 15, 2026, 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, 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.

Law Director Hobbs administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Council Members: Ted Thies, Mary Nelson, and Barb Foster.

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular Village Council Meeting on December 18, 2025. First by Ted Thies. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

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

Manager Sewert requested to add a PO for K.E. Rose for \$3,876.75 and a PO for Opti-Vise for \$5,145.51 to the purchase order report. Motion to approve the purchase order report including the requested changes. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: None.

MAYOR: Mayor Roberts shared that he would have the committee appointments for 2026 for approval at the next meeting. Mayor Roberts appointed Mary Nelson as the President of Council for 2026. Motion to approve Mayor Roberts' appointment of Mary Nelson as the President of Council for 2026. First by Ted Thies. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Mary Nelson).

Chief Sewert requested to appoint Mallory Lewis, Ted Thies, Jackie Sewert, BJ Sewert, and Jon Tucker as the Village of Lewisburg representatives for the Fire Dependency Board. Motion to appoint the members as requested by Chief Sewert. First by Barb Foster. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

LEGAL: 1ST READING (Read by Mary Nelson): THIS IS A ORDINANCE TO HOLD AN ELECTION ON THE ISSUE OF INCREASING THE LEWISBURG, OHIO VILLAGE INCOME TAX ONE AND THREE-QUARTERS PERCENT (1 ¾%) TO TWO PERCENT

(2%) FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME AND TO EARMARK THE ONE-QUARTER (.25%) INCREASE FOR GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027, ALL PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 718.01.

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. 2026-01: THIS IS A ORDINANCE TO HOLD AN ELECTION ON THE ISSUE OF INCREASING THE LEWISBURG, OHIO VILLAGE INCOME TAX ONE AND THREE-QUARTERS PERCENT (1 ¾%) TO TWO PERCENT (2%) FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME AND TO EARMARK THE ONE-QUARTER (.25%) INCREASE FOR GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027, ALL PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 718.01. First by Ted Thies. Second by Mary Nelson. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Mary Nelson): THIS IS A RESOLUTION TO HOLD AN ELECTION ON THE ISSUE OF INCREASING THE LEWISBURG, OHIO VILLAGE INCOME TAX ONE AND THREE-QUARTERS PERCENT (1 ¾%) TO TWO PERCENT (2%) FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME AND TO EARMARK THE ONE-QUARTER (.25%) INCREASE FOR GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 718.01.

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

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2026-01: THIS IS A RESOLUTION TO HOLD AN ELECTION ON THE ISSUE OF INCREASING THE LEWISBURG, OHIO VILLAGE INCOME TAX ONE AND THREE-QUARTERS PERCENT (1 ¾%) TO TWO PERCENT (2%) FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME AND TO EARMARK THE ONE-QUARTER (.25%) INCREASE FOR GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 718.01. First by Ted Thies. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Mary Nelson): VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION APPROVING PID 125229 – THE REPAVING OF COMMERCE STREET FROM CLAY STREET TO FRONT STREET WITH FULL DEPTH REPAIR AND SUB-GRADE IMPROVEMENT AS NEEDED TO RECTIFY ISSUES ARISING AFTER COMPLETION OF PID 102834, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE’S MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN SAID VILLAGE.

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 Resolution No. 2026-02: VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION APPROVING PID 125229 – THE REPAVING OF COMMERCE STREET FROM CLAY STREET TO FRONT STREET WITH FULL DEPTH REPAIR AND SUB-GRADE IMPROVEMENT AS NEEDED TO RECTIFY ISSUES ARISING AFTER COMPLETION OF PID 102834, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE’S MUNICIPAL MANAGER TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN SAID VILLAGE. First by Ted Thies. Second by Jackie Sewert. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Law Director Hobbs provided updates on the Cumberland Street House that is currently on the market and that the current listing expires this month. Motion to authorize the Municipal Manager to extend the contract for another six months. First by Jackie Sewert. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Manager Sewert provided updates on the West Side Water Line Loop Project and the South WWTP Project. Manager Sewert also shared that Lewisburg area resident, Lisa Hoying, who works for a state agency, has requested to work out of the Village Bicentennial Building a couple days a week. Motion to allow Lisa Hoying to work out of the Bicentennial Building. First by Ted Thies. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to schedule a Ways and Means Committee Meeting on February 2, 2026, at 4:00 P.M. at the Village Office. First by Mary Nelson. Second by Marla Colville-Brown. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

SAFETY: None.

POLICE: Chief Parker shared the monthly call log and that the Police Department has been awarded a Body Armor Grant.

LIBRARY: Barb Foster shared recent Library events.

PARK: Ted Thies stated that the next meeting will be January 19th.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MISC. BUSINESS: None.

Motion to adjourn. First by Jackie Sewert. Second by Ted Thies. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 P.M.

DATE _____ MAYOR _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____