RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., DECEMBER 15, 2022, 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 Marsha Jones.

ROLL CALL: Eliza Wagoner, Clerk of Council.

PRESENT: Mayor Marsha Jones, Council Members Barb Foster, Belinda Harry, Lori Pheanis, Dennis Roberts, Ted Thies, and Chad Woodworth.

Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Law Director Rick Faber, Fire & EMS Chief Bob Sewert, Police Chief Rick McGee, and Fiscal Officer Susan Laux.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2022, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the check disbursement report. First by Lori Pheanis. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the purchase order report. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: None.

MAYOR: Mayor Jones shared information about recent and upcoming meetings.

Mayor Jones thanked Law Director Faber for his 41 years of service to the Village of Lewisburg.

LEGAL: 1ST READING (Read by Belinda Harry): A LEWISBURG, OHIO, ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS REVENUES, RESOURCES, AND/OR APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022. Fiscal Officer Laux explained the changes as outlined in the Memo presented to Council.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-19: A LEWISBURG, OHIO, ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS REVENUES, RESOURCES, AND/OR APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Belinda Harry): A LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-12: A LEWISBURG, OHIO, RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to schedule a Budget Workshop on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at 9:00 A.M., at the Lewisburg Community Center. First by Ted Thies. Second by Chad Woodworth. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Manager Sewert stated that the Village will need to be very cautious/conservative when planning the 2023 Budget.

Chief McGee introduced James West, who spoke a little bit about his background. After a recommendation from Manager Sewert and Chief McGee, Motion to hire James West as a full-time police officer, as the School Resource Officer. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Law Director Faber administered the Oath of Office to James West.

After a recommendation from Manager Sewert and Chief Sewert, Motion to hire Tyler Mauk as a part-time worker for Fire & EMS. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Manager Sewert thanked Mayor Jones, Council, and all the other Village employees for all they do for the Village of Lewisburg and wished everyone Happy Holidays!

SAFETY: Chief Sewert thanked Council for all the tools his departments have so they are able to provide great services.

POLICE: Chief McGee presented his monthly department report.

LIBRARY: Barb Foster reported on recent and upcoming Library events. She also announced that Joy Lyday will be retiring from the Library Board at the end of 2022.

PARK: Ted Thies stated there will be a Park Board Meeting on December 19th.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MISC. BUSINESS: Mayor Jones reported on recent and upcoming events and meetings.

Manager Sewert thanked Law Director Faber for his 41 years as the Village Solicitor/Law Director. Stories and appreciation were shared by those present.

Mayor Jones read the following proclamation:

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. has served the Village of Lewisburg as Solicitor for Forty-One (41) years;

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. has offered loyalty, confidentiality, competence, diligence, best judgement, and worthiness of trust by serving as the Village of Lewisburg Solicitor;

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. has offered fairness, integrity, and civility in the attempt to resolve differences to make for a better Village of Lewisburg;

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. has shown respect, candor, and courtesy with a consistent best interest for the Village of Lewisburg;

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. as the Village of Lewisburg Solicitor has maintained the spirit of public service by promoting understanding and an appreciation for it with the public;

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. has devoted his time and skills for the community, government, and other activities that promote the common good; and

Whereas, Richard V. Faber, Jr. has recognized and conducted himself in the best interest to protect the Village of Lewisburg in the bounds of the law, while maintaining a professional, courteous, and civil attitude for all parties he has served.

Now, therefore, I declare today, December 15, 2022, Richard V. Faber, Jr. Day within the Village of Lewisburg.

Law Director Faber was presented with gifts.

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes 0 No. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

DATE _____ MAYOR _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL