

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS; MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEWISBURG, OHIO, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M., JULY 6, 2023, 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, and Chad Woodworth.

Ted Thies was absent.

Also present were Municipal Manager Jeff Sewert, Law Director Steve Hobbs (arrived at 7:04 P.M.), Fire & EMS Chief B.J. Sewert, Police Chief Rick McGee, Fiscal Officer Susan Laux.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2023, regular Village Council Meeting. First by Barb Foster. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the check disbursement report. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the purchase order report. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

CITIZENS: Several people from the Concerned Citizens of Northern Preble County group spoke about their opposition of a proposed large solar project on approximately 800 acres in Harrison Township. They shared information on possible effects to the area including the farm land, soil, water, insurance rates, etc., that could occur if the solar panels are installed. Council members received a copy of a letter from the County Commissioners about a meeting on July 17th.

Linda Creech shared her concerns about a cat problem in her neighborhood and asked what the Village was going to do about it. Manager Sewert mentioned several ways that the Village helps control the cat population around town.

MAYOR: Mayor Jones shared recent and upcoming meetings and events.

LEGAL: 1ST READING (Read by Belinda Harry): A LEWISBURG, OHIO, ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS REVENUES, RESOURCES, AND/OR APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Belinda Harry. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-08: A LEWISBURG, OHIO, ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS REVENUES, RESOURCES, AND/OR APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR

2023. First by Dennis Roberts. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Belinda Harry): ORDINANCE ADOPTING A TAX BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-09: ORDINANCE ADOPTING A TAX BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Belinda Harry): RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION.

Motion to waive the three-reading rule. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-06: RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION. First by Chad Woodworth. Second by Dennis Roberts. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

1ST READING (Read by Belinda Harry): AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

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

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-07: AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Barb Foster. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No. Motion approved.

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: Manager Sewert shared a Memo regarding the Euphemia National Road Tavern and a letter from the County Commissioners about a meeting on July 17th. Manager Sewert also gave an update on the recent Ways and Means Committee Meeting (looking into sewer rate increase in the near future and possible salary/insurance increase for employees), signs up around town about upcoming road work, hazardous mitigation meeting, and clean-up of recent tree damage in the park and around town.

SAFETY: None.

POLICE: Chief McGee shared the monthly Police Department report

LIBRARY: Barb Foster reported on recent and upcoming events. The next Library Board Meeting will be July 11th.

PARK: The next Park Board Meeting will be July 17th.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

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

Motion to adjourn. First by Belinda Harry. Second by Lori Pheanis. Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes 0 No.
Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

DATE _____ MAYOR _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL _____