

North Lewisburg Village Council Regular Meeting

September 9, 2025

The Village of North Lewisburg Council met on September 9, 2025, at 6:30 PM in the Village Community Room.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order. Mr. Warner, Mr. Nobbs, Mrs. Huffman, Mrs. Street, and Mrs. Warner answered roll call. Mrs. Burden was delayed, not present for rollcall and will not be able to vote. All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Warner moved to accept the August 12, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes, Mrs. Huffman seconded, all in favor.

Fiscal Officer Davis presented financials for August 2025. Receipts totaled \$181,001.54 and Payments totaled \$94,165.23. Mr. Warner moved to accept the financials, Mr. Nobbs seconded, all in favor.

Administrator Freyhof reminded the group of the change for the November council meeting to Monday November 10, 2025, since the second Tuesday in November 2025 is Veteran's Day.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer Davis updated the group on Mayor's Court. Mrs. Davis stated she called Baldwin Group, the Mayor's Court software provider, for assistance on how to proceed with closing out Mayor's court. The support technician took a look at the Mayor's Court reports and found several cases that would need to be closed out and recommended the Village contact our solicitor for how to proceed with closing all opened cases. Administrator Freyhof contacted Attorney Will and he is looking into what we need to do.

MAYOR:

Mayor Murphy did not have anything to report.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Freyhof reminded the group there are Four open council positions. Three of the four positions will be on the ballot. The fourth position will not be filled as Mrs. Street has decided not to run again. Administrator thanked Mrs. Street for her service to the Village.

Administrator Freyhof informed the group Halloween, October 31st, falls on a Friday this year and asked council if they would like to leave Trick or Treat on Friday the 31st or move it to Thursday October 30th, 2025. Mr. Freyhof informed the group Friday, October 31st, 2025 is also the first week of high school football playoffs. After discussion, Mrs. Warner moved to have Trick or Treat in the Village on Thursday, October 30th, 2025 from 6:00pm-8:00pm, Mr. Nobbs seconded. Roll Call Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mrs. Street, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes and Mr. Warner, yes. Passed 5 yes, 0 no.

Administrator Freyhof stated the next meeting of the Bicentennial Planning Committee will be on Sept 20, 2025, at 9:30am in the community room at the Municipal Building and Community Yard sales are September 19th -21st.

Administrator Freyhof introduced Bryant Bailey with Support Our Veterans. Mr. Bailey reported that he has been trying to build his Tiny Homes for Veterans since 2021 and has been faced with many setbacks. Mr. Bailey is looking for Letters of Recommendation in Support of the Veteran's Project. Mr. Bailey also reported Support Our Veteran's can also provide assistance to veterans for repairing ramps, porches and some improvements. Mr. Bailey thanked the group for allowing him to speak.

Administrator Freyhof reported on the New Cyber Security Law. Mr. Freyhof has received quotes from 2 companies for Cyber Security Tech Support. The first quote is From Perry Tech in the amount of \$4000.00 per month and Net X IT Solutions in the amount of \$2095.10. Our IT tech service has identified computers that need upgraded and a new server in the amount of \$2940.00. We will need to begin with the server and computers.

Administrator Freyhof read the Proposed Zoning Changes; this is the second reading.

Administrator Freyhof reported he presented the \$28,000.00 payment to Union Co. for the work on the bike path. Administrator Freyhof asked council if they would reconsider paying Union Co. \$34, 617.58 which is half of their total bill for the work they preformed along the bike path to prepare for the repaving. Mr. Warner moved to pay Union Co \$34,617.58 for the work performed along the bike path, Mrs. Street seconded. Roll Call, Mrs. Huffman, no; Mr. Nobbs, no; Mrs. Street, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; and Mr. Warner, yes. Failed 2 no, 3 yes.

STAFF REPORTS:

Police:

Chief Bodey presented the Police Report. We had 8 traffic violations and 1 major case involving solicitation of a child through Snapchat. Children are also being targeted through Roblox video game. Chief Bodey reported the resignation of Officer Arbogast effective Sept 4, 2025 and he will be interviewing a potential Officer within the next week.

Water/Sewer:

Administrator Freyhof readdressed the leaking valves at the water plant that needs replaced. Council asked to look at the budget to make sure we have the funds to complete the work.

Administrator Freyhof informed the group that the Wastewater Membrane Replacement project is going to require supplemental funding for Phase 2 in the amount of \$204,440.00 for a second set of Membranes and installation. This will bring the total project cost to an estimated amount of \$576.524.60. The membranes we removed, planned on cleaning and reusing, were full of waste, torn and not suitable for cleaning and reusing. Administrator Freyhof stated we would need council approval to proceed with the supplemental funding.

Mr. Warner moved to approve the supplemental funding for the Wastewater Membrane Replacement project, Phase 2, in the amount of \$204,440.00, Mrs. Street, seconded.

Roll Call, Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mrs. Street, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; and Mr. Warner, yes. Approved 5, yes, 0, no.

Administrator Freyhof reported he has had more talks with Logan County about regionalization of the Sewer. Administrator Freyhof will continue to keep this option open.

Administrator Freyhof gave an update on the Membrane Replacement project. We were hoping to clean and reuse some of the old membranes, but after examination the membranes are too damaged to reuse. We are now looking into additional funding for the second set of membranes.

Administrator Freyhof reported he and Fiscal Officer Davis have been reviewing Ordinance 166 regarding Impact Fees which are paid when a new home is built or moved into the Village. This original Ordinance was passed when the Village had its own Fire Department. These fees are broken down and portion of the fees paid to streets, parks, public facilities, police and fire. Since the Fire Department is now a district run fire department,

the Ordinance needs updated. Mr. Freyhof asked Council how they would like to proceed? Do you want to update the ordinance and if so, where would you like the Fire Department portion to go? After discussion, Mrs. Huffman moved to amend the ordinance and move the fire portion to facilities, Mr. Nobbs seconded. Roll Call, Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mrs. Street, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; and Mr. Warner, yes. Approved 5, yes, 0, no.

Streets/Parks:

Administrator Freyhof reported he is working on the Pavilion Rental Policy. He has asked for rates near us, the Covered Bridge rents for \$25.00 / hour M-F and \$50.00/hour Saturday and Sunday. Urbana "the Stage" rents for \$50.00 /daily; Urbana "the Deck" rents for \$175.00/daily and seat 60 people; and the Shelter house at the Lions Park in West Liberty rents for \$50.00/daily.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE:

Ordinance 286 Revision of Item 9, second Reading.

Ordinance 296 Leash Law 1st Reading.

Resolution 9-9-2025 Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission was read.

Mrs. Huffman moved to adopt Resolution 9-9-2025 Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission, Mrs. Warner seconded. Roll Call, Mrs. Huffman, yes; Mr. Nobbs, yes; Mrs. Street, yes; Mrs. Warner, yes; and Mr. Warner, yes. Approved 5, yes, 0, no.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Murphy opened the floor for hearing of the citizens.

No Issues or Concerns

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business Mrs. Huffman moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Nobbs seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.



Mayor



Clerk

10-14-2025

Date