

North Lewisburg Village Council Regular Meeting

September 10, 2024

The Village of North Lewisburg Council met on September 10, 2024 at 6:30 PM in the Village Community Room.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order. Roll Call was answered by Mrs. Huffman, Mr. Nobbs, Mrs. Warner, Mr. Warner and Mrs. Street. All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Warner made a motion to accept the August 13, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes, Mrs. Huffman seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Warner made a motion to accept the financials, Mr. Nobbs seconded, all in favor.

MAYOR:

Mayor Murphy stated that we are still looking at a potential .5% Income Tax increase to go towards Parks, Land and Building Maintenance. This would be for improvements to buildings, such as, a new roof at the library, or improvements to the park. This would have to be put on the ballot for the voters to decide, but could potentially free up some money to be utilized elsewhere. We will continue discussion on this option at future meetings.

Mayor Murphy asked the Council to bring nominations for the open council seat to the next meeting as we have not received any resumes. The candidate must be a registered voter and have lived in the Village for at least one year.

Mayor Murphy read a Proclamation declaring the week of September 17th-23rd as Constitution Week. September 17th 2024 marks the two hundred thirty seventh anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution. Daughters of the American Revolution will host of Bell Ringing at Freedom Grove Park in Urbana on Sept 21st.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Freyhof asked the Council to set dates for Trick-or-Treat. Halloween is October 31st and the rest of Champaign County is having Trick-or-Treat that evening from 6pm to 8pm. Mrs. Huffman made a motion to have Trick-or-Treat on October 31st from 6pm-8pm, Mrs. Street seconded, all in favor.

Administrator Freyhof reported that he is looking into the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant (NRG). \$750,000.00 could possibly be available for various projects. We will hold a public hearing to get more input when the grant progresses.

There may also be an opportunity for the Brick Program Grant which would help with funding for the North and South end storm water.

STAFF REPORTS:

Police:

The Monthly Police report was presented by Chief Bodey. For the period of August 12th – September 8th there were 15 Warnings and 3 Citations, 1 summons. Chief Bodey reported that there was one call for a possible kidnapping, but it turned out that the individual was picked up in Columbus and the driver that picked the individual up did not want to drive the individual back to Columbus.

Water/Sewer:

Administrator Freyhof reported that we received \$334,260.00 from OPWC for the Access Bridge/Culvert at the Waste Water Plant. Engineer Marshall is finalizing the project and it will have to go out to bid. We are permitted to borrow the 10% match.

Administrator Freyhof asked for discussion on the wastewater culvert funding. We would like to purchase the culvert up front outside of the contractor and then bid out the labor. The Culvert would be 18 linear feet, 20 ft span and a 4 ½ rise. The cost of the culvert would be \$45,417.00. Mr. Nobbs made a motion to purchase the culvert outright for \$45,417.00, Mrs. Street seconded, all in favor.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE:

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Bryant Bailey with Support our Veterans Corporation introduced himself to the group. His group is building tiny homes in Woodstock for homeless veterans.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mrs. Street made a motion to enter in to Executive Session for pending or imminent court action, Mrs. Warner seconded, all in favor. Executive Session entered at 6:46 PM. Mayor Murphy declared out of Executive Session at 7:43pm. No action taken.

Administrator Freyhof informed the public that the council was out of executive session.

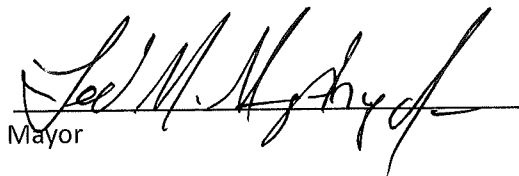
Mrs. Warner made a motion to enter in to Executive Session for the consideration of the compensation of a public employee or official, Mr. Warner seconded, all in favor. Entered into Executive Session at 7:46 pm. Mayor Murphy declared out of Executive Session at 7:55pm.

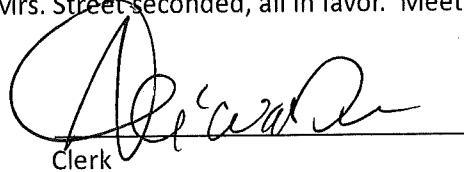
Mrs. Street made a motion to give employee Kevin Cox a \$1.00 per hour increase effective on his anniversary date of 8/22/2024, Mr. Warner seconded, all in favor.

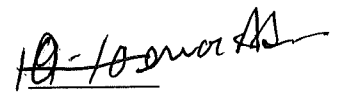
Mr. Nobbs made a motion to give employee Marc Bailey a \$1.50 per hour compensation for passing his Level I Water effective upon return from his leave and another \$1.50 per hour compensation after logging the 1040 hours required for his license., Mrs. Street seconded, all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Huffman motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Street seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.


Mayor


Clerk


Date
10/8/2024