Council April 22, 2019

Present for regular meeting of the Village of West Liberty Council was: Mayor G. Hostetler, Mr. M. Hostetler, Mr. Keller, Mrs. McKelvey, Mrs. Griffith, Ms. Yoder, Chief Oelker, Mr. Dean King, Mr. Griffith, and Clerk Boyd. Guests: Nate Dunham of WPKO radio, Nate Smith of Bellefontaine Examiner, and Ryan Berry of Berry Digital Solutions. Absent: Mr. Hyland.

Meeting was opened with Pledge of Allegiance and Lord’s Prayer.

 A MOTION was made by Mr. M. Hostetler seconded by Ms. Yoder to approve the minutes of April 8, 2019 as written/read. Motion Carried.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mr. Keller to approve the following bills in the amount of $28,226.93. Motion Carried.

Sherry Barger 40 hrs. 356.60

Lee Deloye 40 reg. 40 vac 1126.46

Darren Dunham 16 hrs. 153.14

Nate Fickle 80 reg. 4 OT 1052.34

Hodge Hager 8 hrs. 76.57

Bret Mancini 80 rg. 6 OT 1118.16

Shane Oelker salary 1434.11

Bill Detrick salary 1251.15

Shane Freehauf 1.5 pers. 62.5 reg 16 vac. 1020.29

Dennis Lance 80 reg 1039.55

Tom Cooksey services 400.00

Doug Lash services 100.00

Ohio Deferred Comp for Boyd 65.00

Historic Masonry 1st draw ½ Village 1600.00

Lowes seed, kabolt and an bait 33.20

IRS WH MC Emp. MC 1344.48

Berry Digital computer work 70.00

WEX gasoline 624.67

Shell Oil Co gasoline 257.35

Shane Long Concrete storm drain by post office 850.00

DP & L electric 138.14

Quill toner 269.73

Clark State CC for Wilson 1389.16

P S& L Loan 57439 2201.26

P S& L Loan 3079 1735.00

Cindee Boyd postage 12.85

American Business vouchers 221.80

TDH professional services 262.50

Cincinnati Ins. bond 75.00

Joe Rees welding weld repair 500.00

Cherokee Run Landfill 38.25 Tn 2738.57

CIVITSA BANK HSA acct. 2041.64

Ambassador Com books for school program 399.00

Cherokee Run Landfill 34.34 TN 2719.23

Republic Services recycling pick up 2261.25

D P& L electric 8.06

Dean King, President of Board of Public Affairs was here to update Council on everything that has been done since he’s been on the board to include painting on water tower, sludge press, conveyor, electronic meter reading BWC grant, water plant etc. He also told the rate increases and how many employees have been cut since then. They

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started with 4 and now down to 2. Having a license for water/wastewater is very demanding and Mr. King would like to keep Mr. Hudson. He is asking to pass Salary ordinance for Mr. Hudson and Mr. Amlin.

Ryan Berry from Berry Digital Solutions was here. He explained mywestliberty.com has been run by WLBA and he will no longer be president and wants the Village to have a say what goes on this page. It would cost $1000.00 a year to upgrade. The Clerk has $1000.00 in her budget. Council members need to start thinking about what isn’t there and what would they like to see.

Chief Oelker said the speed sign was missing a bracket and will get it installed soon.

Link Construction needs to repair crack in sidewalk, in drywall, and possibly the gutters are not draining properly. These things are on the books and will be done in May.

JS Engineering will be meeting with Chief Oelker April 25 to discuss second half of the building.

Fireworks will be June 29th and cap is about $10,000.

Robert Griffith was here to ask for more funding for Code Enforcement Officer. Finance increased to $14.38 for 240 hrs.

Ordinance 2019-07 entitled “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES IN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LIBERTY, OHIO AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF” was read. A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. Keller to adopt Ordinance 2019-07 on 3rd and final reading. Motion Carried. Yeas: 4 Nays: 0 Abstain: 1.

Ordinance 2019-08 entitled “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE WATER/SEWER EMPLOYEES IN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LIBERTY, OHIO AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF” was read. A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. Keller to pass Ordinance 2019-08 on 2nd reading. Motion Carried. Yeas: 5 Nays: 0.

Council members would like to remind everyone about leash law for dogs in the Village.

Shane Long Concrete has repaired the post office catch basin and E. Columbus/SR 68 storm drain.

Finance, Mayor and Bill Detrick will be meeting soon.

Mr. Keller needs an estimate for tree services for 2018 for Tree City USA.

Mrs. McKelvey talked with the main library and said West Liberty would be the last branch to close if they were to close which they will not.

Mrs. Griffith and Ms. Yoder will be talking to Ray Etgen of Heritage on May 9th at 9:00 am about the bridge and plans for it.

Mayor G. Hostetler had a mayors meeting and beggars’ night will be October 31 – 6:00 – 7:30 PM. They also discussed the tax revenue and it will increase about $40,000 but won’t really know until 2020.

Anyone running for office for November election needs to have paperwork in August 7th.

Mr. M. Hostetler attended the health board meeting, its always interesting.

Mr. Keller will not be here May 13th.

The front door was not discussed and need a quote before deciding.

Mrs. McKelvey and Clerk Boyd will attend WLBA meeting tomorrow at Green Hills.

Clerk updated Council on splash pad and asked if the Village can apply for Mary Eleanor Morris Foundation Grant and ask $25,000.00. Council agreed they will apply.

 A MOTION was made by Mr. Keller seconded by Mr. M. Hostetler to adjourn at 9:16 PM. Motion Carried.

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