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**Council September 11, 2023**

Present for this regular meeting of the Village of West Liberty Council was Mayor McKelvey, Mrs. Griffith, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Spriggs, Mrs. Hostetler, Ms. Kauffman, Solicitor Moell and Clerk Boyd. Absent: None. Guests: Gary Hastings, Wendy Levan, Jeremy LeVan and Lindsey McGlone and Family of Elle A Design. Employees also present was Mr. Detrick, Mr. Amlin and Chief Oelker.

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

Mayor McKelvey presented Lindsey McGlone of Elle A. Design the Commercial Beautification Award for 2023. Pictures were taken and plaque was given.

Gary Hastings had two minutes to speak at public participation. He has apartments next to him and on May 28th Logan Landscaping and Lawncare had teens mowing with earbuds and no guard on the mower. He was throwing stones at him and his vehicle, but didn’t realize it. Mr. Hasting called the owner Jake Vitt and he never called him back. That was the end of his two minutes. This is a civil matter.

Wendy Levan was here to ask questions about the election in November and alcohol sales in the Village. Local businesses are not retail and there is minimal parking. The traffic is congested and if it passes it will be worse. There are 2 churches and a library near the LGP who will apply for this alcohol permit. She thinks this is too close. She thanked us for our time.

Ordinance 2023-13 entitled “Travel Reimbursement “was read. A MOTION was made by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Mrs. Griffith to adopt Ordinance 2023-13 on third and final reading. Motion Carried. 6-0

Mr. Spriggs said Troop Brackets will be ready by mid-week. Mr. Spriggs needs to order bands for the brackets.

Mr. Spriggs received a quote for 15 American Flag holders/poles for Downtown in the amount of $1485.00 plus shipping. We need to know who will put them up and the cost of this. We have not ordered yet nor approved.

Ordinance 2023-14 entitled “Flood Plain” was read. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Ms. Kauffman to adopt Ordinance 2023-14 on third and final reading. Motion Carried. 6-0

West Liberty residents should be on electric Aggregation now if they are not on a contract. The electric meter reading is September 15; gas meter reading is in October

The business of the month for October is West Liberty Lion’s Club.

Finance will have a health insurance meeting at 11:00 AM Wednesday.

The Sign to hang above Council Room exterior door is ordered.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mrs. Zerkle to go into executive session at 7:21 PM to discuss personnel. Motion Carried. 6-0 Supervisors can stay.

Out of executive session at 7:36 PM

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Tonight’s bills were discussed. Finance had a few questions for police dept. The Cruiser had a quote for $2027.08 and the invoice came back as $4100.00. The push bar was added and the headlight was repaired and Chad Levan didn’t know it was broken. Chief Oelker said he will take the push bar and he quoted it wrong. He thought it was going to be $750.00 and it was $1400.

There was also discussion for the Police Coverage at Labor day festival. Clerk is concerned with paying $40 an hour and did not have this in minutes. Chief Oelker said he has it in his policy manual. She will get a copy. Clerk is also concerned December 12, 2022 the trash will be paid by Lions Club in the amount of $1175 and security will be $1800 but the cost was $4880.00. Mr. Levan said pay them for all hours except Saturday and send him a bill for this. Council denied this request. Council members were concerned why Village was paying for security and we don’t make money at the Labor Day Festival. Mayor McKelvey said but we do in sales tax and people coming to the village.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mr. Spriggs to approve the following bills in the amount of $73467.62. Motion Carried.

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| Ohio Child Support | for Puckett | 198.80 |
| Chris Moell | Solicitor | 550.45 |
| AES | electric L/B | 23.48 |
| AES | electric Dodge | 82.75 |
| CT Communications | phones | 330.73 |
| Lee Deloye | 72 reg 6 OT 8 pes | 1508.83 |
| Bill Detrick | salary | 1425.82 |
| Darren Dunham | 16 hrs | 224.83 |
| Jason Fishbaugh | 42.25 reg 13.25 .50 cents last pay | 204.68 |
| Shane Freehauf | 62 reg 8 vac 1 OT 8 SL 2 pers | 1190.28 |
| Hodge Hager | 7.5 hrs | 107.72 |
| Mark Nelson | 72 reg 8 vac | 1022.67 |
| Shane Oelker | salary 4 Sl | 1711.3 |
| John Puckett | 80 reg 10 OT | 1286.28 |
| Brian Snider | 16 reg | 266.11 |
| Cindee Boyd | salary | 1243.91 |
| Daren Leach | salary | 1324.13 |
| Jill McKelvey | salary | 357.62 |
| Rick Miller | salary | 311.84 |
| Steve Rabenstein | salary | 830.16 |
| Scott Woodruff | salary | 569.43 |
| IRS | WH MC EMP MC | 1530.64 |
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| Ohio Def Comp | for Boyd | 85.00 |
| Ohio Dept. Taxation | state tax | 779.06 |
| Ohio School Dist. | school tax | 339.34 |
| RITA | municipal tax | 337.34 |
| Ohio Data | phones | 122.96 |
| Elle A Design | Business of the Month | 41.50 |
| VOID | Deloye | 0 |
| Bill Detrick | salary 8 hol | 1135.24 |
| Darren Dunham | 16 hrs | 224.83 |
| Jason Fishbaugh | 8 hrs | 114.91 |
| Shane Freehauf | 62 reg 8 vac 2 pers 8 hol 8 straight | 1291.34 |
| Missy Hughes | 6.5 hol 55 reg | 679.02 |
| Mark Nelson | 59 reg 12 vac 1 pers 8 hol 8 straig | 1126.95 |
| Shane Oelker | salary | 1711.3 |
| John Puckett | 80 reg 8 hol | 1237.08 |
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| Brian Snider | 74 reg 8 hol | 1233.50 |
| Lee Deloye | 44 reg 8 hol .5 OT 5.5 pers 30 vac | 1498.16 |
| Paula Cronkleton | cleaning | 100.00 |
| Treasurer State | audit and UAN fees | 3582.20 |
| Spectrum | internet | 149.97 |
| Shane Oelker | 28 hrs. Country | 1120.00 |
| Paul Salyer | 8 hrs. Country | 320.00 |
| Brandon McCain | 8 hrs. Country | 320.00 |
| Jason Fishbaugh | 14 hrs country | 560.00 |
| Hodge Hager | 14 hrs country | 560.00 |
| Darren Dunham | 8 hrs country | 320.00 |
| John Puckett | 14 hrs. country | 560.00 |
| Lee Deloye | 18 hrs country | 720.00 |
| AES | electric L/B | 20.62 |
| AES | electric L/B | 318.64 |
| Choice One | W Columbus St. Engineering | 6331.28 |
| Ryan Wirick | services | 100.00 |
| Lowes | power washer | 432.99 |
| Brown Tree Service | tree removed Ballard | 350.00 |
| O'Reillys | interest | 1.12 |
| Griffin Pavement | stripping | 15000.00 |
| Kelly's Septic | porta john | 260.000 |
| CenterPoint | natural gas | 231.69 |
| CenterPoint | natural gas library | 57.47 |
| Speedtech lights | lights for explorer | 465.28 |
| Quill | calculator tape | 31.18 |
| Thomans IGA | water | 10.00 |
| Shane Long Concrete | E Baird Donnan property | 7200.00 |
| ATT | phones | 259.31 |
| LeVans Auto Body | car #2 | 4168.74 |
| Solomon's | #2 brakes and oil change | 646.46 |
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Clerk Boyd and Mrs. Griffith attended the Land Bank meeting and Updated estimate for the old elementary school. It was $367,658.00. Mrs. Griffith and Clerk Boyd said it looks promising.

The library wants the inside of library painted. They need to get an estimate.

Clerk Boyd said the Auditors are done in the office but are working off site. Should be done soon.

The Newsletter articles should be turned in by next Tuesday and Missy emails everyone and reminds them its their turn.

Safety Council meeting is September 21 and Mrs. Zerkle will attend.

The Concrete pad for 1st Responders building at Lions Park cost is $3635. The cost would be split between Liberty Township and Village. Village cost is $1817.50 from General Fund L/B.

Clerk will give quotes to W Columbus St. resident for Vision impaired signs. They said they wanted to pay for them.

West Columbus Street repaving cost and residents cost for curb, gutter, and sidewalks should be billed soon.

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Mr. Detrick said the cost for crosswalks Increased cost by $952.00. Finance met and said we can approve this cost out of SHI fund. A MOTION was made by Ms. Kauffman seconded by Mrs. Hostetler to approve this increased cost. Motion Carried.

Mr. Detrick is meeting with Mr. Spriggs and Mrs. Hostetler with a plan for curbside recycling. He said less than half of the residents don’t recycle. He has counted recycling tubs. He also needs to meet with finance because no one will come work with us for $14 an hours.

MR. Detrick said the corporation signs need to be moved North of South Union Church. They were annexed in the Village. ODOT said they would move them.

Mr. Spriggs talked about permanent cornhole boards. Park Board will be getting a quote.

Mayor McKelvey said the Supervisor evaluations are finished. - Spencer Mitchell will be here on September 25th.

Mayor McKelvey said so far in 2023, MyWestLiberty.com has had over 15,500 site visitors. Those visitors have viewed over 36,000 pages.

Council members received a copy of Rezoning Flowchart from LUC. The last concept plan was in 1971 and they had hotels and houses on West side of town. We need a new concept plan.

Clerk Boyd gave all council members a copy of a proposal for the fiscal officer role for their review.

Mrs. Griffith said she has had countless complaints about mosquitos. We need to call Jackson Center to see who sprays for their mosquitos.

The trolley at Labor Day festival was a big hit.

Important Dates

September 17 - 23 “Constitution Week”; event at Freedom Grove in Urbana on September 16 at 11 am

September 21- Homecoming Parade at 6:30 pm

September 25 - 7 pm Council meeting

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September 28th is Pink Out for Breast Cancer Awareness.

October 21 - 10 am Vietnam Wall at the Urbana Airport (Paul Kari is speaking)

A MOTION was made by Mr. Spriggs seconded by Mrs. Hostetler to adjourn at 8:32 PM. Motion Carried.

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