Council February 14, 2021

Present for this regular meeting of the Village of West Liberty Council was Mayor McKelvey, Mr. Spriggs, Mr. Hoffman, Mrs. Griffith, Ms. Kauffman, Mrs. Hostetler, Chief Oelker, and Clerk Boyd. Guests: Kris Allen from WPKO, Sharyn Koff of Bellefontaine Examiner, and Gary Hastings. Absent: Mrs. Zerkle on Zoom.

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

Resolution 2022-R5 entitled **“PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION PID.: 105403 County/Route/Section: D07 BP FY23**” was read. This Resolution is painting the bridge over Mad River within the Village of West Liberty. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Ms. Kauffman to adopt Resolution 2022-R5 on first and final reading. Motion Carried. 5-0

Resolution 2022-R4 entitled “**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHGING A Fund for AMERICA RESCUE PLA**N” was read.A MOTION was made by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Mrs. Hostetler to adopt Resolution 2022-R4 on first and final reading. Motion Carried. 5-0

Ordinance 2022-02 entitled “**AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LIBERTY, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO, AND PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION THEREOF, BILLING MONTHLY”** was read. The water and sewer rates will increase 3% starting March 1, 2022. Mrs. Griffith explained a few years ago they had five employees and now they have a crew of two. They are much more efficient now. This is more than just water used it’s the maintenance of water plant, sewer plant, water main breaks, salaries, benefits, etc. Some sewer pipes in town are just cardboard wrapped in a special covering. These lines are very old. The water would increase .93 per month and sewer would increase .85 per month. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mr. Spriggs to pass on first reading only. Motion Carried. 5-0

Ordinance 2022-03 entitled **“Creating Parks and Recreation Parks Board for the Village of West Liberty”** was read. This is an ordinance to create a parks board to include Lion's Club, WL Ball Association, WLS will select own representation to recommend to the Mayor for appointment. The Mayor will appoint one at large member (Linda Vernon for Sherman Ricketts Park) AND two Council Members. A MOTION was made by Ms. Kauffman seconded by Mr. Hoffman to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings. Motion Carried. A MOTION was made by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Mrs. Hostetler to adopt Ordinance 2022-03 in first and final reading. Motion Carried. 5-0

Ordinance 2022-04 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. This ordinance is to increase hourly rate for Events Coordinator by One Dollar per hour. A MOTION was made by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Mrs. Hostetler to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings. Motion Carried. A MOTION was made by Mr. Spriggs seconded by Mrs. Griffith to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 on first and final reading beginning February 25th. Motion Carried. 5-0

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mr. Hoffman to rescind ordinance 2019-14 on first and final. Motion Carried. This is for the street department. 5-0

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mr. Hoffman to rescind ordinance 2020-15 on first and final. Motion Carried. This is for the police department. 5-0

Ordinance 2022-05 entitled **“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES IN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LIBERTY, OHIO AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF”** was read. This increases all police officers by $2.00 to $4.00 per hour starting March 25, 2022. It was explained this ordinance is to have a competitive hourly rate to keep/hire employees. Mr. Hoffman wanted to explain this will not be an annual increase each year and its just catching up. A MOTION was made by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Ms. Kauffman to pass Ordinance 2022-05 on first reading only. Motion Carried. 5-0

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Ordinance 2021-20 entitled “**An Ordinance Lawns and Lawn Maintenance for the Village of West Liberty, Logan County, Ohio”** was read. A MOTION was made by Ms. Kauffman seconded by Mr. Spriggs to adopt Ordinance 2021-20 on third and final reading. Motion Carried. 5-0

Ordinance 2021-21 entitled “**AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE SIGNS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF WEST LIBERTY, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO”** was read.A MOTION was made by Mr. Hoffman seconded by Mrs. Hostetler to adopt Ordinance 2021-21 in third and final reading. Motion Carried.

**The Section 1150.01 to prohibit Medical Marijuana for sell, testing, cultivate, or processing within the Village of West Liberty** was read. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Hostetler seconded by Mrs. Griffith to pass Section 1150.01 on 3rd and final reading. Motion Carried. 5-0

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Kauffman seconded by Mrs. Griffith to approve the minutes of January 24, 2022 as written/read. Motion Carried.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Kauffman seconded by Mr. Spriggs to approve payment for the following bills in the amount of $81,452.31. Motion Carried. 5-0 Ms.

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| Compton Power | filter for mower | 23.36 |
| Cindee Boyd | purple heart stones | 1400.00 |
| O'Reillys  | lawn mower stuff | 106.31 |
| AES | electric L/B | 309.37 |
| AES | electric Lions | 24.13 |
| CT Communications | phones | 419.70 |
| Center point | natural gas library | 269.85 |
| Center point | natural gas L/B | 1900.81 |
| Medical Mutual | insurance | 10902.26 |
| Cintas | mat | 38.23 |
| Cintas | uniforms | 119.72 |
| Scott Woodruff | salary | 510.88 |
| Chris Moell | solicitor  | 424.48 |
| Rick Miller | salary | 311.84 |
| Jill McKelvey | salary | 357.62 |
| Darin Leach | salary | 1328.92 |
| Cindee Boyd | salary | 1242.96 |
| Steve Rabenstein | salary | 822.66 |
| Bill Detrick | salary | 1371.89 |
| Civista | health savings | 3345.80 |
| Ohio Child Support | for Mancini | 302.16 |
| Brett Mancini | 80 reg 15 OT 8 hol | 1050.00 |
| Marysville Municipal | for Mancini | 107.83 |
| Logan County Treasur | Dodge park parcel | 16.92 |
| Mark Nelson | 71 reg 8 hol 16.15 OT 1 P | 1286.82 |
| Sherry Barger | 7.14 hrs. | 73.08 |
| Shane Freehauf | 61 reg 8 hol 15 OT 11 Sl | 1188.05 |
| Lee Deloye | 70 reg 10 SL 8 hol | 1347.39 |
| Darren Dunham | 11 hrs. | 119.69 |
| Nate Fickle | 8 hrs. | 85.86 |
| Shane Oelker | salary | 1517.42 |
| Postmaster | stamped envelopes | 387.60 |
| AES  | electric Dodge | 17.19 |
| AES | electric | 563.39 |
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| WL bldg. Supply | wax | 2.39 |
| Shane Freehauf | 78 reg 2 SL 18.15 OT | 1430.71 |
| Mark Nelson | 80 reg 20.15 OT 8 hol | 1442.78 |
| Bill Detrick | salary | 1371.89 |
| O'Reillys  | oil | 29.99 |
| Brett Mancini | 80 reg 10.40 OT | 747.84 |
| Hodge Hager | 8.15 hrs. | 88.68 |
| Shane Oelker | salary | 1517.42 |
| Darren Dunham | 10.3 hrs. | 122.07 |
| Lee Deloye | 80 reg 4.30 OT | 1327.63 |
| Sherry Barger | 15.13 hrs. | 153.43 |
| Paula Cronkleton | cleaning | 100.00 |
| Child Support | for Mancini | 302.16 |
| Marysville Municipal | for Mancini | 190.64 |
| IRS | WH MC Emp. MC | 1399.71 |
| Uattend | time clocks | 77.00 |
| P S & L  | final pay off Packer | 1.71 |
| RITA | municipal tax | 295.85 |
| Ohio Police and Fire | retirement | 3855.02 |
| Ohio Dept. Taxation | state tax | 639.90 |
| IRS | WH MC Emp. MC | 1425.63 |
| Ohio Data | homes | 104.53 |
| Quill | TP toner etc. | 164.16 |
| Berry Digital | Jan emails | 59.76 |
| Berry Digital | Dec emails | 59.76 |
| Berry Digital | October emails | 59.76 |
| BWC | policy | 5060.00 |
| Allied Waste | recycling | 2998.51 |
| Ohio Police and Fire | retirement | 5724.20 |
| OPERS | retirement | 3366.33 |
| Ohio Dept. Taxation | state tax | 497.09 |
| Ohio Def Comp | for Boyd | 80.00 |
| IRS | WH MC Emp. MC | 285.58 |
| WEX bank | gasoline | 1141.55 |
| Your Hometown | emails | 72.00 |
| Sub Aquatic | maintenance | 962.42 |
| Companion Life | life ins. | 132.00 |
| Cherokee run | 27.46 TN | 1649.54 |
| Mary Rutan | Thurman  | 50.00 |
| ATT | cell phones | 260.45 |
| Treasurer State of Oh | marcs radio | 780.00 |
| West Liberty Busines | beautification | 25.00 |
| Quill | supplies | 130.98 |
| Lowes | shelf | 151.05 |
| Heritage | salt | 84.51 |
| OACP | membership | 195.00 |
| Global Industrials | water fountain | 4999.71 |
| Dollar General  | salt | 20.00 |
| Treasurer State of Oh | marcs radio | 420.00 |
| Logan county engineer | grit | 1378.30 |
| Boldmans Printing | good neighbor | 419.25 |
| Fuelman | gasoline | 20.32 |
| Spectrum | internet | 134.97 |
| DT hauling | hauling grit | 125.00 |
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| Thomans IGA | supplies | 15.96 |
| Thomans IGA | water street | 7.98 |

Finance recommended a medical insurance committee and the Mayor appointed Brad, Mark, and finance committee to investigate options. Mr. Hudson has a letter ready to send to companies to get quotes.

The supervisor meetings have been informational. Finance committee explained why its so important to have a carry over from year to year.

Clerk Boyd will have the appropriations done for the next meeting.

Property Maintenance Ordinance was given to all council members. Comments and questions will be at the next meeting.

Street committee discussed snow and ice removal. The sidewalks need to be cleared not just a path for downtown businesses.

Street committee looked at possible parking for Veterans Purple Heart Park. They talked with Malia Hughes – she wants to blacktop her drive. She doesn’t have a quote yet but maybe we can use the company she will be using.

Nothing new on Vendor machines for trash bags. They also checked with Dollar General about selling our trash bags. But the corporate doesn’t use email or phone calls just mail. Will be sending a letter to corporate.

Mayor and Street committee would like to publicly said Thank you to Al Hyland for helping with snow removal.

Mr. Detrick will be getting a quote to replace or repair the downspout at the library – because it drains on the sidewalk and freezes.

Street Committee wanted to let residents know grass alleys/easements are not plowed.

OPWC will be turned in this week and letters of support from Council members can be emailed to the clerk.

Issue II money will be granted 2023. We received 74K a few years ago.

Jack Reser will be here March 14th. He hasn’t gotten any support for changing the LGF with Villages or Townships.

The land bank still has us on the list. However, we need to have a survey for asbestos for the sold school. Brownfield will remove asbestos but the survey will be $2-5K the village would be responsible for this cost for each property. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Ms. Kauffman to agree to pay $2-5K for each property for the survey. Motion Carried.

The proclamation will be in April. May we will video Veterans and share stories on website. Memorial Day we will be having an open house showing videos in Opera House before the Memorial Day Parade. We want to have Veterans to show memorabilia and tell visitors their stories. November 10th we would like to have light refreshments and have a recognition for all Veterans.

General Health District will be having a meeting on March 24th at 7:00 PM. Mayor McKelvey needs to appoint a board member for an open seat.

In memory of Don Alig Mayor would like to thank him for serving on Planning Commission for 10 plus years.

If anyone is interested in being a weather spotter please contact the Emergency Management Agency.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Kauffman seconded by Mrs. Griffith to look into getting a debit card to order envelopes and stones. Motion Carried.

Columbus St. Bridge TAP grant application has been turned in. Mrs. Griffith still needs to get Heritage a letter of support.

Mayor and Clerk are working on CRA for the Village and will be filling our paperwork and pictures to the State of Ohio soon. Mayor McKelvey explained the resident would still pay the same previous property taxes.

All Council member need to sign up for Sunshine Law soon.

Mayor McKelvey said Tammy Allison , Joe Antrum and Ben Stalhler will be on the board for the Opioid Settlement.

Clerk is still waiting on having a HSA meeting for all employees.

West Liberty Business asso is looking for a new treasurer. Mr. Detrick talked about the snow removal and Christmas decorations. He also mentioned the icicle on Hager Building. They would like to congratulated Sweetie Pies for being Logan County Business of the Month.

A MOITON was made by Mrs. Hostetler seconded by Mr. Spriggs to purchase new trash cans for downtown in the amount of $5200.00 Motion Carried. 5-0

Mayor McKelvey discussed getting tablets for all council members. Clerk Boyd looked at Fire 7 tablets but 10-inch screen may be better for reading documents. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith seconded by Mr. Spriggs to purchase tablets for Council members. Motion Carried. 5-0 Mr. Hoffman said he did not need one he uses his laptop.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Hostetler seconded by Mrs. Griffith to adjourn at 8:51 pm Motion Carried.

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Clerk/Treasurer Cindee M. Boyd Mayor Jill C. McKelvey