Regular

 November 23, 2015

Present for this regular meeting of the Village of West Liberty Council was: Mayor G. Hostetler, Mr. Lance, Mr. M. Hostetler, Mr. King, Mrs. Coy, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. McKelvey, Phil Holycross, Police Chief Oelker, and Clerk Boyd. Absent: Solicitor Moell. Guest: Nate Smith from Bellefontaine Examiner and Nate Dunham from WPKO radio.

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

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. M. Hostetler to approve the minutes of November 9, 2015 Liberty Township and Council annual meeting. Motion Carried.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. King too approve the minutes of November 9, 2015 as written/read. Motion Carried.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mrs. Hamilton to approve the following bills in the amount $36,742.00. Motion Carried.

Lee Deloye 80 rg. 1018.56

Tim Melvin 80 reg. 814.86

Shane Oelker salary 1073.31

Chance Carroll 56 reg. 410.32

Hodge Hager 8 hrs. 69.60

James Neidhardt 8 hrs. 69.73

Paul Salyer 44 hrs. 330.58

Phil Holycross salary 1190.53

Dennis Lance 58 reg. 8 hol. 8 vac. 6 SL 941.86

Bill Detrick 72 reg. 8 hol. 844.72

Steve Stanley services rendered 74.25

Chance Carroll 17 hrs. additional 45.66

Bellefontaine Municipal Court for Carroll 91.04

Vectren natural gas 213.16

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D P& L electric 279.38

OPERS retirement 5140.22

O P F DP F retirement 4179.96

Ohio Child Support for Oelker 189.25

IRS WH MC Emp. MC 1378.00

P S&L cruiser payment 781.00

P S& L truck payment 960.00

P S & L savings from fire truck 3000.00

Morgan White premium saver 773.59

Fire Safety Services gear and hose repair 2534.00

Time Warner Cable internet 119.94

Retail Acquisition batteries 142.67

Bellefontaine Auto filter, oil, etc 675.04

Liberty Oil and Gas repairs 170.00

Miami Valley Lighting street lights 2150.80

Staples toner 95.98

Shell Oil Co. gasoline 1183.94

Treasurer State of Ohio OPWC loan Columbus St. 991.54

D P& L electric 32.21

Direct Energy electric 201.46

Ohio Municipal League membership 510.00

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Royal Cabinets grommets 150.00

Kauffman Sales and Service belts, filters, etc. 92.58

Kauffman Sales and Service filter 31.34

Cindee Boyd reimbursed for table 120.00

Cindee Boyd reimbursed for shelves 178.79

Affordable Frames framed maps 252.66

Waste Zero recycling bags 3210.84

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. Lance to approve Mr. Bill Detrick for a .25 cent raise retroactive to October 4, 2015. This raise is for his 6 month raise to get caught up with a person in the same position. Motion Carried.

Street Superintendent, Phil Holycross said garbage pickup will be December 24th and December 31st for West Side customers only, because Christmas and New Year’s Day is on Friday.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. Lance to approve Mr. Holycross ordering a broom for the Steiner in the amount of $685.95 from Kauffman Sales and Service. Motion Carried.

Safety Committee member Brenda Coy met with Jeremy Hankins, realtor to give us an appraisal on the Police station/house. His suggestion is to have Alig Home Inspection, examine the house downstairs and upstairs and make a list of repairs. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Coy seconded by Mrs. McKelvey to Alig Home Inspection, examine the police office (house) in the amount of $300.00. Motion Carried.

Chief Oelker will make sure the property on W. Columbus St. has a letter about their violations for their property. He will work with the Fire Chief on this issue.

Finance committee met this evening with street department and Police Chief Oelker. Finance agreed to hire a 4th full time police officer and part time officers will only work 1 shift a week and vacation, SL, and personal days. This will start in January.

They also decided to purchase a new packer in the amount of approximately $161,000.00. with $30,000.00 down. This would be a 7 year lease. They are concerned about dumpster charges. The Village has not been charging enough for dumpsters and these customers will need to be increased/fixed to the correct amount as Ordinance states. Needs to start in January and letters will be sent ASAP. Clerk will draw up an Ordinance to be passed at next meeting.

Finance also discussed paying the guys for their holiday at the end of the year. The full time guys will get holiday pay if they are scheduled to work they will work at get a check at the end of the year for those holidays. If they call in sick or take vacation during this time they will not get holiday pay. The full time guys will get paid for 4 holidays this year if they worked.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Lance seconded by Mrs. McKelvey to take the Dodge to Whites and get repaired in the amount of $3,000.00. Motion Carried. Hopefully this will last through 2016 and get a new one 2017.

Ordinance 2015-16 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. This Ordinance will increase water/sewer rate by 3% starting January 1st bills sent in February, 2016. This would increase water by .82 cents and sewer .90 cents. The water/sewer rates have not been increased since 2012. A MOTION was made by Mr. M. Hostetler seconded by Mrs. Hamilton to pass Ordinance 2015-16 on first reading. Motion Carried.

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Mrs. McKelvey went to a seminar on “Ohio Checkbook” workshop and she thinks all council members ought to look at this further and thinks we should be open to doing this.

Mayor G. Hostetler read a letter to council from Richard Mally. He is withdrawing from the election he won in November because he hasn’t lived in the Village for 12 months as required. Mayor will appoint a Council member and encouraged him to run in two years.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. M. Hostetler to allow clerk to order blinds for her office and fire department window in the amount of $810.00 from Fissell floorcovering. Motion Carried.

Logan County Solid waste sent a letter in regards to the recycling center. Our recycling has increased by almost 12% and recycled 149 tons for 2015 at the 24 hour recycling site. We received a check in the amount of $1117.50.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. McKelvey seconded by Mr. Lance to adjourn at 8:50 PM. Motion Carried.

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