

Council Minutes

April 21, 2025

Council Members in attendance: Council President: Sue Schroeder, Sue Christman, Rick Moyer and Dave Heitmeyer. Mayor Rick Recker, Village Administrator Lee Beck, Fiscal Officer/Tax Administrator Renee Spangler, Police Chief John Rodriguez, Troy Gillespie and KC Allen from the Putnam County Sentinel. Solicitor Barry Schroeder, Sherry Valdez and Jason Goodwin were absent.

Mayor Rick Recker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. He then led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Report from the committee: The Personnel Committee met prior to the meeting and discussed hiring for the mechanic's position, they had three people apply this time.

The Property Review Board met prior to the meeting; they found a few properties in question that Lee will be sending out letters for. Mrs. Christman said they also found several vehicles with expired plates.

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes of April 7, 2025, meeting and accept them as written was made by Dave Heitmeyer and this motion was seconded by Sue Christman. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin absent, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sherry Valdez absent and Rick Moyer yea.

RESOLUTION 3435: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Resolution 3435 was read for the third time. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to approve Resolution 3435, and this was seconded by Rick Moyer. Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin absent, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Rick Moyer yea, and Sherry Valdez absent.

ORDINANCE 3436: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 3222 THE PERSONNEL POLICIES FOR THE VILLAGE OF LEIPSIC, OHIO. Was read for the first time. This Ordinance will amend paid off Holidays to add Presidents Day and Christmas Eve, this will also amend Vacation time for weeks paid off which will be as follows:

1 year but less than 8 years-2 weeks

8 years but less than 15 years-3 weeks

15 years but less than 20 years-4 weeks

20+ years-5 weeks

The Check Register was reviewed and initiated by the council. Rick Moyer made a motion to approve the reviewed reports, and Dave Heitmeyer seconded the motion, Roll call on the motion, Jason Goodwin absent, Sue Christman yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Rick Moyer yea, and Sherry Valdez absent.

Troy Gillespie said the fire department has Brayden Casteel set up on the Fire Departments ride along program. Dave Heitmeyer asked Mr. Gillespie how many firemen are current on the Fire Department, Mr. Gillespie said 23-24 plus two on the ride along program.

Lee Beck said Caleb Ellerbrock passed his Water 1 and is working on his Water 2. Evan Ellerbrock is working on his Water 3.

Arbor Day is April 25, 2025 @ 1:30P.M. at Bennett Park the Village is dedicating an Oak tree to Kevin Benton.

At 7:48 P.M. Sue Schroeder made a motion to go into an executive session for Personnel Matter and Rick Moyer seconded the motion. Roll call on this motion, Sherry Valdez absent, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Rick Moyer yea, Jason Goodwin absent.

At 7:53 P.M. Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to come out of the executive session and Sue Christman seconded the motion. Roll call on this motion, Sherry Valdez absent, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Rick Moyer yea, Jason Goodwin absent.

Dave Heitmeyer made a motion to hire Niki Kostakis Mitusev, esq from the Law office of Garvin and Hickey, LLC for a possible BWC claim and Sue Schroeder seconded the motion. Roll call on this motion, Sherry Valdez absent, Sue Christman yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Rick Moyer yea, Jason Goodwin absent.

With no further business to come before the council, a motion for adjournment was made by Dave Heitmeyer and seconded by Sue Schroeder. Roll call on this motion, Jason Goodwin absent, Rick Moyer yea, Sue Schroeder yea, Dave Heitmeyer yea, Sue Christman yea and Sherry Valdez absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 P.M. The next council meeting will be May 5, 2025, at 7:30 P.M.

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____