

August 11, 2025 Council

Present for the regular meeting of the Village of West Liberty Council was Mayor Hudson, Mr. Spriggs, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Zerkle, Ms. Kauffman (7:10), Solicitor Moell, and Clerk Boyd. Absent: Ms. Markin and Mrs. Maier. Guests of Lions Club was Jake Vitt, Judy Legge, and Tim Woodruff, Nicki Burkhammer of Bellefontaine Examiner, Shari Stout and Dorothy Stout, and Jeremy LeVan. Mark Nelson also present.

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

Lion Jake Vitt and President Lion Judy Legge was here from Lions Club to present Lion of the Year and Grand Marshall. Lion of the year is Tim Woodruff. He has served 58 years on Lions Club and very much involved. He will be in the Labor Day Parade after Grand Marshall, Dorothy Stout. Mrs. Stout has been a member of the community since 1953 and turned 99 years young this year. She lives by herself and tells her Daughter Shari, what to do every day. Congratulations! This is the 60th year for Labor Day Festival.

Mark Nelson, Street Superintendent, was here to explain the fiber optic that is being installed within the Village limits this week. Water Department employee Shane Freehauf (former street dept. employee) reached out to Mr. Nelson and said Brightspeed will be boring fiber optic in town and they are boring very close to Sanitary sewer lines and thought they should be marked also. Mr. Nelson, Jayne Griffith, Trent Spriggs and Clerk talked with Brad Collins of Brightspeed about getting a quote for "his" company to locate the lines and he is waiting on a quote. Mr. Collins said the worst-case scenario would be about \$9000.00. Mr. Nelson told him he needed a formal quote to present to the council tonight. He did not get that quote. They are supposed to start this week. Mr. Nelson has tried using a camera, and he doesn't think he could get this done in 2 days. (it would take 6-9 months). He doesn't feel comfortable marking sanitary sewer lines because he is only allowed to have 18" of wiggle room for us not to be liable. Mr. Collins said they will not just bore through and not care. They will try everything to make sure nothing is damaged. Mr. Nelson said there is about 4000 ft that will need to be located starting at Maries to W Newell to Tupper to SR 68 on Runkle. Mr. Nelson feels this should be on hold until he receives a quote to locate the lines. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Spriggs to allow Mr. Nelson to hire a locator not to exceed \$10,000. Motion Carried. 4-0

Mr. Nelson also discussed the need to replace manhole covers on Ravin Pl., in the alley across from the Fire Department on E. Columbus, and the alley between Taylor and White St. The cost is \$4000 and will start next Monday.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Spriggs seconded by Ms. Kauffman to approve the minutes of July 28, 2025 as written/read. Motion Carried. 4-0

A MOTION was made by Mr. Spriggs seconded by Mrs. Zerkle to approve the following bills in the amount of \$171621.26. Motion Carried.

677-2025	Brad A. Hudson	\$360.05
678-2025	DARIN C. LEACH	\$1,337.15
679-2025	RICHARD D. MILLER	\$311.84
680-2025	Chris J. Moell	\$1,120.36
681-2025	STEPHEN D. RABENSTEIN	\$839.73
682-2025	Jeffery Scott Woodruff	\$600.14
684-2025	Internal Revenue Service	\$759.28
689-2025	Richard Keith Amlin	\$2,016.37
690-2025	CINDEE M. BOYD	\$1,260.55
691-2025	Ryan S Campbell	\$1,492.47
692-2025	Jeffrey A Cornelius	\$198.95
693-2025	Liesl A Cornelius	\$1,280.90
694-2025	Lee F Deloye	\$1,619.06
695-2025	Richard Ford	\$1,718.60

696-2025	Shane J Freehauf	\$1,634.44
697-2025	Melissa A Hughes	\$856.64
698-2025	Benjamin E Hyland	\$1,183.11
699-2025	Rickey L Lowe I	\$1,282.24
700-2025	Mark E Nelson	\$1,704.91
701-2025	ANTHONY S. OELKER	\$1,947.94
702-2025	James T Simpson	\$1,286.65
703-2025	Brian P Snider	\$1,144.09
705-2025	William R Detrick	\$3,516.35
707-2025	Ohio Deferred Compensation	\$685.00
708-2025	Internal Revenue Service	\$5,320.02
709-2025	OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION	\$1,574.05
710-2025	OHIO SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME TAX	\$661.89
711-2025	Regional Income Tax Agency	\$690.16
712-2025	Elan Financial Services	\$92.03
713-2025	OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT	\$11,477.95
714-2025	OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT	\$10,394.68
715-2025	AES Ohio	\$55.69
716-2025	Uattend	\$93.00
717-2025	Park National Bank	\$795.84
718-2025	Elan Financial Services	\$135.77
719-2025	TREASURER, STATE OF OHIO OPWC	\$10,043.46
720-2025	PEOPLES SAVINGS & LOAN	\$2,201.26
721-2025	PEOPLES SAVINGS & LOAN	\$2,400.00
722-2025	Anthem	\$15,529.76
723-2025	AES Ohio	\$40.55
724-2025	Anthem Life	\$81.25
725-2025	Treasurer, State of Ohio- Ohio EPA	\$950.00
726-2025	Vestis Uniforms and Workplace Supplies Inc.	\$50.26
727-2025	OHIO POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND	\$6,051.66
728-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$68.21
729-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$64.90
730-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$60.38
731-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$71.30
732-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$64.90
733-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$64.90
734-2025	CenterPointEnergy	\$64.90
735-2025	AES Ohio	\$25.65
736-2025	AES Ohio	\$287.08
737-2025	AES Ohio	\$2,236.55
738-2025	AES Ohio	\$322.00
739-2025	AES Ohio	\$422.86
740-2025	AES Ohio	\$229.09
741-2025	AES Ohio	\$163.65
742-2025	AES Ohio	\$114.77
743-2025	AES Ohio	\$1,256.87
744-2025	AES Ohio	\$23.04
745-2025	AES Ohio	\$41.37
746-2025	AES Ohio	\$159.94
747-2025	AES Ohio	\$235.13
748-2025	Wex Bank	\$2,166.07
749-2025	AES Ohio	\$77.75
750-2025	Elan Financial Services	\$1,915.45
769-2025	Ohio Data	\$100.79
44929	Family Roots LLC	\$1,700.00
44930	THOMAN'S I G A	\$15.96
44931	BA Service and Repair	\$1,028.86
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44932	FIRE-SAFETY SERVICES	\$310.00
44933	Ryan L Wirick	\$100.00
44934	Doug Lash	\$200.00
44935	Motorola Solutions	\$808.00
44936	Starbucks	\$300.00

44937	SmartSign	\$92.03
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44938	Civista Bank	\$7,470.89
44939	POSTMASTER	\$31.44
44940	COJACK LUMBER and SUPPLY	\$36.85
44941	Artesian of Pioneer Inc.	\$3,846.45
44942	Boldman Printing	\$81.25
44943	3D Maintenance Service	\$29,266.40
44944	THOMAN'S I G A	\$10.47
44945	CHEROKEE RUN LANDFILL	\$2,738.32
44946	Holder RD oil Co.	\$740.18
44947	Ryan L Wirick	\$125.00
44948	VASU Communications	\$79.37
44949	Relaint Mechanical Inc.	\$350.00
44950	Watkins Electric	\$5,988.34
44951	Bug A Boo Pest Control	\$400.00
44952	Bobcat Multi Works LLC	\$200.00
44953	Phoenix Safety Outfitters	\$155.00
44954	ATT Mobility	\$279.94
44955	PEOPLES SAVINGS & LOAN	\$155.50
44956	Shane Freehauf	\$35.00
44957	Spectrum	\$159.99
44958	LOGAN LAWN & LANDSCAPING	\$960.00
44959	Bonnie Effingham	\$16.88
44960	BOARD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS	\$150.13
44961	C T COMMUNICATIONS	\$825.37
44962	Site Sweep LLC	\$1,200.00
44963	FIRE-SAFETY SERVICES	\$394.00
44964	Compton Power Equipment Inc.	\$63.17
44965	Zahada (Moyer) Galloway	\$1,000.00
44966	B L Anderson LLC	\$1,364.85

Ordinance 2025-11 “An Ordinance to Close Part of a Downtown Alley to Vehicular Traffic” was read. A MOTION was made by Mrs. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Spriggs to pass Ordinance 2025-11 on 1st reading only. Motion Carried. 4-0

Ordinance 2025-12 “A Resolution Ordering the Fiscal Officer to Certify Special Assessments to the County Auditor for Collection and Declaring an Emergency” was read. A MOTION was made by Ms. Zerkle seconded by Mr. Spriggs to suspend the rule requiring three separate readings. Motion Carried. A MOTION was made by Mr. Spriggs seconded by Mrs. Zerkle to adopt Ordinance 2025-12 on first and final reading. Motion Carried.

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Old Business

Liability insurance quotes next meeting

Residents/Council members who turned in petitions were Jayne Griffith, Patty Kauffman, Alyssa Kauffman, Trent Spriggs and Brenda Coy – They will be confirmed on August 22nd.

Important Dates

Safety Council August 21st

Labor Day August 29 – September 1st

If anyone 90+ would like to be in the Nifty Nineties Parade through the park (car show and ending at Ice Cream Social) on Friday please let Lions Club know

A MOTION was made by Mr. Spriggs seconded by Ms. Kauffman to adjourn at 7:47 PM.
Motion Carried.

Clerk Cindee M. Boyd

Mayor Bradley Hudson