

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING

June 18, 2018

6:30 PM

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

The Village of New Lexington met in regular session with Mayor Ratliff presiding and the meeting being called to order at 6:30 pm. Council Members present were Dan Bethel, Trent Thompson, Susan Goodfellow, Kathy Chute, Susan Boyle and James Welsh. Also present were Finance Director Heather Rockwell, Police Chief Scott Ervin and Administrator Bo Powell. Absent was Councilperson Danison.

Councilperson Bethel made a motion to excuse Councilperson Danison from the June 18, 2018 meeting. Second by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Welsh made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 4, 2018 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Boyle. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Ratliff requested an executive session.

Finance Director Rockwell presented Council with the May credit card statement, the May 2018 Bank Reconciliation and the May 2018 Financial Reports. Rockwell presented Council with an Ordinance for 2018 Supplemental Appropriations. Rockwell informed Council that the Fire & EMS deficit is \$107,000 as of May 31, 2018. Rockwell reminded Council a motion needed to be made for the water bill at 611 S Main St. Councilperson Goodfellow made a motion to forgo the water bill at 611 S Main St. Lot 4 New Lexington, in the amount of \$2,416.85 due to Village equipment failure. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Administrator Powell informed Council the application turned in for funding for Nuzum Bridge was denied by ODOT. Powell stated the Brown Street Bridge was applied for at the same time. Powell informed Council new applications for both bridges will be submitted again in light of new funding made available. Councilperson Bethel inquired how long it would be before we would know if we received the funding. Powell stated the application is due by 7-19-18 and the Village should have an answer by September 2018. Powell stated County Engineer Kent Cannon and himself are evaluating streets for the paving project for 2019. Powell reported that 2018 paving is being done with CDBG Funding. Streets included are Academy, Clayton, Saint Clair, Eastern, Woods, Main Alley and Kennedy Drive. Bidding for the job will begin soon. Powell stated the deed to the Community Building has been given to the County Commissioners and they will send a check to the Village. Powell reported that Crystal Freeman is the new pool manager and things are going well. Powell informed Council that Councilperson Boyle got twenty pole numbers on Broadway Street so the Village can contract with AEP to hang flags from the poles. Powell notified Council that he would be out of the office the week of 7-4-18 and would not be at the Council meeting on 7-2-18. Mayor Ratliff inquired if Nuzum Bridge would be better than before. Administrator Powell stated it would. Powell stated it currently scores a four so there is still time to get funding. Councilperson Thompson inquired about the situation in Mellwood. Powell stated they are waiting for hot mix to be ready to repair the curb in Mellwood. Powell stated they are going to fix 10-15 alleys this year. There are a total of 47 alleys in town.

Police Chief Ervin informed Council that calls for service have been steady and they receive 37-48 calls on the weekends. Ervin stated the Police Department assisted the Perry County Sherriff's Department with an active shooter situation on 6-18-18. Ervin reported that the department received free ALICE training. Ervin informed Council they participated in safety week at Kroger.

Councilperson Bethel reported on the Finance Committee Meeting that was held on June 18, 2018. Bethel stated Finance Director Rockwell explained the supplemental appropriations ordinance and engineering invoices to the committee. Rockwell informed the committee of the cost for road salt for 2017/2018. The committee discussed

the need for an increase for salt for the 2018/2019 winter. Bethel stated the committee discussed the invoices presented at the last Finance Committee meeting. Public Service Director Hicks will submit purchase order requests for the Patterson Pools invoices. Bethel stated the Committee discussed the Streetscape project and which committee should be involved in the process.

Councilperson Boyle scheduled a Parks & Recreation Committee meeting for June 26, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building.

Councilperson Thompson informed Council he was asked by Dick Fankhauser and Mike Saunders to put up an additional streetlight by the American Legion on E. Brown Street. They also requested additional patrols due to people driving too fast on E. Brown Street.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 18-18 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council vote "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 18-18: **AN ORDINANCE AMMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 18-9 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE STREET AND SEWER OPERATING FUNDS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND DECLARINAG AN EMERGENCY TO MAINTAIN NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE.** Councilperson Thompson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 18-18 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Welsh. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Bethel made a motion to enter executive session to discuss discipline/dismissal of personnel under ORC 121.22 (G) (1) with Council and Mayor present. Seconded by Councilperson Welsh. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 for executive session.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Councilperson Chute. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

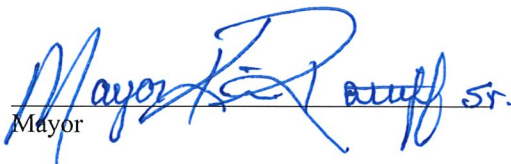
Meeting resumed at 7:50 pm.

Councilperson Bethel stated no decision was made as a result of the executive session.

Mayor Ratliff entertained a motion to adjourn.

Councilperson Goodfellow made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes." Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

  
Mayor

  
Council Clerk