

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING

November 6, 2017

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, Susan Goodfellow, Jeff Danison, Tim Fiore and Richard Anderson. Also present were Finance Director Heather Rockwell, Police Chief Scott Ervin and Administrator Bo Powell. Absent were Councilpersons Susan Boyle and Kathy Chute.

Councilperson Bethel made a motion to excuse Councilpersons Chute and Boyle from the November 6, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Danison made a motion to approve the minutes for the October 16, 2017 and October 23, 2017 meetings as read. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Barbara Shiplett invited the Mayor and Council to the Founders Day Proclamation Ceremony on November 12, 2017 at 3:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church.

Mayor Ratliff informed Council that the Shawnee Volunteer Fire Department sent a letter requesting old hoses and nozzles once they are replaced through a grant, if the Fire Department could donate them. Mayor Ratliff inquired if anyone attended the Commissioners meeting held on October 23, 2017. Administrator Powell stated he attended the meeting and the issue one paving was put in first. The estimated cost for the Village is \$29,500 with the paving beginning in 2018.

Finance Director Rockwell presented Council with the October 2017 Bank Reconciliation and the October 2017 Financial Reports. Rockwell also presented Council with a 2017 Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance, 2018 Temporary Budget Ordinance which covers expenses from January 1, 2018 – March 31, 2018 and a Resolution to contract for legal services. Rockwell stated the contract for our current legal services expires on December 31, 2017. Rockwell informed Council that the primary contact for the contract for legal services will be Jennifer Sitterley Baum.

Administrator Powell presented Council with an Ordinance regarding Medical Marijuana and an Ordinance to amend the Village of New Lexington zoning ordinance. Powell stated the zoning maps are out of date and Councilperson Goodfellow and the County Engineer are working with him to get them updated. Powell stated Bob Joblonski from Poggemeyer Design Group is going to bring a color photo of the Street Scape project to hang in the lobby. Powell informed Council he received a second bid on repairs to the swimming pool. Patterson Pools stated a cost of \$22,595 for caulking and painting and a total for all repairs would be \$72,000. Buckeye Aquatics' bid was \$37,332 for caulking and painting with a total cost of \$102,000 for all repairs. Powell stated he published the meter reader position in the Perry County Tribune. Powell

informed Council that Perry County received 100% funding to run sewer lines on State Route 345 to Rehoboth. The County would like the Village of New Lexington to take over the sewer lines and lift station once the project is complete. Finance Director Rockwell stated since the Village already bills for water service in Rehoboth, we could contract with the County to bill for sewer. Powell informed Council that "no hunting" signs were posted at the Water Treatment Plant. Powell stated anyone interested in the properties where the houses were torn down through the land bank should contact him and he will see that their information gets to the land bank. Powell stated he has received bids to replace the generator at the Water Treatment Plant but is still waiting on more information. Powell informed Council that he posted the job of pool manager in the Perry County Tribune and received one application from Jody Bowen. Powell informed Council that the Perry County Commissioners may be interested in the Community Building again.

Police Chief Ervin stated the department was very busy over the weekend. Ervin reported they received forty one calls for service. Ervin stated the department responded to a shooting on Sunday morning on McKinley Avenue. Ervin informed Council the Ohio State Patrol had a pursuit that ended on Main St. in the Village.

Councilperson Bethel reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on November 6, 2017. Bethel stated the committee discussed insurance renewal and requested more information. The Committee discussed a resolution for legal services. Bethel informed Council the committee discussed supplemental appropriations for 2017 and temporary 2018 appropriations for January 1 through March 31. Bethel stated the committee reviewed a resolution and maps regarding zoning changes.

Council Clerk Spohn informed Council that the lawsuit between Ohio Municipalities and the Ohio Department of Taxation was going to be filed with the court on November 8, 2017.

Councilperson Anderson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 17-20 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 17-20: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 17-4 TO PROVIDE REDUCED FUNDING TO THE FIRE LEVY FUND WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO MAINTAIN NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE.** Councilperson Fiore made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-20 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 17-21 as a first reading. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 17-21: **AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018.**

Councilperson Bethel made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 17-22 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Danison. All Council voted

