VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING January 5, 2015 MUNCIPAL BUILDING

The Village of New Lexington met in regular session with Mayor Eveland presiding. Council Members present were, Trent Thompson, Richard Anderson, Jeff Danison, Polly Pletcher, Al Vandewater and Tim Fiore. Also present were Village Administrator Scott Bryant, Finance Director Heather Rockwell, Police Chief Scott Ervin and Acting Fire Chief Gary Jones. Absent was Councilperson Kathy Chute.

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to excuse Councilperson Chute from the January 5, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Danison. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Vandewater made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Danison made a motion for Trent Thompson to serve as Council President for the 2015 calendar year. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. Councilperson Fiore made a motion for Polly Pletcher to serve as Council President. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. Councilperson Vandewater made a motion to close nominations for Council President. Seconded by Councilperson Danison. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Councilpersons Vandewater, Thompson, Anderson and Danison voted "yes" for Councilperson Thompson to serve as Council President. Councilpersons Fiore and Pletcher voted "no". Motion carried.

Councilperson Thompson accepted.

Corlyn Altier presented Council with the end of year EMS Billing report for 2014. Ms. Altier stated that billable transports are down by 2% over last year and revenue is down by 9%. She also stated that the revenue is down due to two factors: the cost sharing with Ohio Medicaid which went into effect 1-1-2014, and squad transports are down. She also reported that in November of 2014 she sent the first two files of EMS claims to the Ohio Attorney General's Office for past due collections.

Finance Director Rockwell stated that she is working on the yearend financial reports for 2014.

Police Chief Ervin presented Council with the number of calls during the 2014 calendar year. He stated that the overall calls have gone up.

Acting Fire Chief Jones inquired about the EMS Billing money that is deposited into the General Fund. Finance Director Rockwell explained that the money is deposited into the General Fund and is used to cover expenses for Fire/EMS.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 14-21 as a second reading. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 14-21: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE BILLING AND COLLECTION FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND TO AUTHORIZE DEPOSIT OF FUNDS DERIVED THERBY INTO THE FIRE & EMS LEVY FUND OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON, OHIO Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 14-21 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Council President Thompson will appoint committee members at the January 20, 2015 meeting.

Mayor Eveland entertained a motion to adjourn.

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Thompson seconded. All Council voted "yes." Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Mayor Dale Eveland

Council Clerk Lisa Spohn