VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING June 1, 2015 MUNCIPAL BUILDING

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

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to approve the minutes for the May 18, 2015 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Ray Hatem addressed Council stating that the dual response is working well. He also stated that they have some applications for Fire/EMS personnel.

Jerry Koblentz from Clayton Township addressed Council about the townships concerns with the EMS situation. He also asked for a copy of the signed contract between Clayton Township and the Village of New Lexington. Acting Fire Chief Jones stated that he had mailed them a copy of the contract on May 31, 2015.

Finance Director Rockwell presented Council with the May 2015 bank reconciliation and the monthly departmental reports for May 2015. Rockwell stated that a Workers Compensation payroll audit was completed with no citations. She also reminded Council to decide if they want to participate in Ohio Checkbook through the State Treasures office.

Police Chief Ervin stated that overdoses are up within the Village. He also reported that they responded to 85 calls in the month of May. To date, 136 lbs. of prescription drugs have been turned into the drop box in the lobby.

Acting Fire Chief Jones reported that he is turning in applications for Fire/EMS personnel. He also stated that a new law was passed giving basic EMT's the ability to administer medication to reverse the effects of a drug overdose. Police Chief Ervin stated that police officers will also be able to administer this medication. Jones presented Council with the protocol for how EMS will be dispatched. There was a lengthy discussion on the elapsed time when setting off tones for EMS.

Mayor Eveland stated that the Village has two weeks to have a plan in place to recover the deficit for Fire/EMS. A Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for June 9, 2015 at 3:00 pm at Village Hall.

Councilperson Fiore stated the Fourth of July Committee now has its own federal identification number so that everything can be done within the Committee instead of through the Village. Chief Ervin stated that he attended the last Fourth of July Committee meeting and informed everyone there would be a fund raiser at McDonalds on June 3, 2015 from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. He stated anyone willing to work would be appreciated. He also stated that coupon books would

be for sale for \$5.00 with \$4.00 from every book sold going to the committee. 15% of food sales will also go to the committee. Chief Ervin stated the next meeting was scheduled for June 15, 2015 at 4:30 pm. The meeting will be held at 499 N. State St. New Lexington, Ohio.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to allow a designated beer area in the park on 7/3/15. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council vote "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Vandewater is going to research the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission to see if the advantages of being a member are worth the cost.

Councilperson Vandewater stated that Beth Santoy informed him that the people that were going to restore the stones at the Baptist cemetery are not able to do it at this time. Vandewater stated that he was going to contact Debbie Raney to see if she had anyone interested in cleaning the cemetery. Police Chief Ervin stated that the Street Department along with himself and community service workers have been working on cleaning up the cemetery. Administrator Bryant informed Council that Wilbren Rd. will be paved this year.

Kim Fry addressed Council about the pot holes on Wilbren Rd.

Councilperson Fiore stated that Debbie Raney has been speaking with Dave Couch who is over the Rendville Arts Center about painting pictures on the windows of businesses on Main St.

Councilperson Chute called for an executive session to discuss personnel, complaints and discipline issues.

Councilperson Chute made a motion for an executive session. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. All Council voted "yes" Motion carried.

Adjourn for executive session.

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to come out of executive session. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Eveland stated that personnel complaints are still being investigated.

Mayor Eveland entertained a motion to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Mayor Dale Eveland

Council Clerk Lisa Spohn