

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING

August 20, 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, Jeff Danison and James Welsh. Also present were Finance Director Heather Rockwell and Police Chief Scott Ervin.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes for the August 6, 2018 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Boyle. All Council voted "yes" except for Councilpersons Goodfellow and Danison who abstained due to being absent from the August 6, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.

Lisa Leckrone and Jenny LaRue spoke to Council about the Carroll Street Corridor. Leckrone stated the Village is only one of thirty communities with a mobility manager for Active Transportation Funding. Leckrone stated they would like to have sidewalks from Perry County Dental Group up to New Lexington Schools. Leckrone stated the sidewalks would increase the safety and mobility for pedestrians. Leckrone informed Council they would be applying for grants through Ohio Department of Transportation. Leckrone stated they would like the grant to be ready to present in April 2019. LaRue stated she would start painting on Broadway and other areas soon. LaRue stated she would like to start work on the sidewalk fund with the Village. Councilperson Bethel stated this was discussed at the last Council meeting.

Councilperson Chute asked Mayor Ratliff for an update on the investigation. Ratliff stated they would discuss it in executive session.

Finance Director Rockwell presented Council with the July 2018 credit card statement and the July 2018 Bank Reconciliation. Rockwell informed Council on the bank reconciliation there were two bank errors that were corrected and will reflect on the August bank statement. Rockwell informed Council there was also an error on the statement from Invoice Cloud, the online water bill payment company. This has been corrected and will reflect on the August statement as well. Rockwell presented Council with the July 2018 Financial Reports, an Ordinance for 2018 Supplemental Appropriations and a 2018 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources. Rockwell informed Council the outstanding insurance run out claims are lower than expected. Rockwell stated Ohio Insurance proposed running these claims through the funding plan already in place. Councilperson Bethel made a motion authorizing Finance Director Rockwell to execute the OPEC funding plan agreement through December 31, 2018. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Bethel stated on behalf of Administrator Powell, the Village needs to give Perry County Engineer Kent Cannon permission to execute contracts for the Village with Ohio Public Works for paving in 2019. Councilperson Welsh stated previous paving projects have gone over budget. Councilperson Bethel stated we need to plan for more expense on future paving projects. Councilperson Thompson inquired about the progress of the street lights on Brown Street. Councilperson Bethel made a motion to authorize Perry County Engineer Kent Cannon to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement or Local Transportation Improvement Programs. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Bethel reported on the Finance Committee Meeting that was held on August 20, 2018. Bethel stated Finance Director Rockwell discussed run-out claim options to clear up 2017 insurance issues. Bethel stated the committee agreed to renew the funding plan and clear up claims. Bethel reported Councilperson Thompson requested a status update on the annual inspection of fire extinguishers. Bethel requested a status update on the IT contract. Bethel stated the committee discussed the street truck and procedure for making

purchases. Councilperson Chute stated she feels the truck should be part of the 2019 wish list. Bethel stated Police Chief Ervin discussed issues and options for dispatching services.

Councilperson Danison stated they needed to schedule a Municipal Concerns Committee meeting to discuss painting curbs on Brown Street. Police Chief Ervin stated Administrator Powell stated they could do the painting without a meeting.

Councilperson Bethel reported on the Planning/Economic Development Committee meeting that was held on August 14, 2018. Bethel stated the committee discussed residential homes that are located in industrial zoning. Bethel stated there is nothing in the zoning book to deal with a situation if a house in this area is destroyed and the resident wants to rebuild. Councilperson Goodfellow stated these areas are grandfathered in. Bethel stated there is nothing in the zoning book stating this. Goodfellow stated something needs to be written up. Bethel stated he would have Administrator Powell write something to correct this issue in the zoning book for Council to vote on at the next Council meeting. Councilperson Goodfellow asked Councilperson Bethel to have Administrator Powell provide Council members with a map of the affected areas. Bethel informed Council that the houses built by Coleman McCoy on the property located on Tile Plant Road and Kennedy Dr. meet the minimum side yard width. The two houses that McCoy has already built and had a permit approved were only 750 sq. feet. The committee agrees this was an error by the Village. The committee requested Administrator Powell contact McCoy and discuss that future builds on this property have to be a minimum of 1,000 sq. feet to meet zoning requirements. Bethel stated the amount of land that McCoy owns permits him to have eight dwellings on the property. Councilperson Goodfellow inquired about the safety of the entrances on this property. Bethel stated this needs to be addressed during the permit phase.

Mayor Ratliff requested an executive session.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to file the 2018 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources with the Perry County Auditor as presented. Seconded by Councilperson Welsh. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 18-22 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Boyle. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 18- 22: AN ORDINANCE AMMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 18-9 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE FEMA HOSE/APPLIANCE GRANT, FIRE & EMS LEVY AND SEWER 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. 18-22 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 18-8 as a second reading. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes" except for Councilperson Goodfellow who abstained due to being absent from the last meeting. Motion carried. **Resolution No. 18-8: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.** Councilperson Thompson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-8 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Chute. All Council voted "yes" except for Councilperson Goodfellow who abstained due to being absent from the last meeting. Motion carried.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 18-9 as a second reading. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. **Resolution No. 18-9: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING POGGEMEYER DESIGN GROUP TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION ON THE STATE ROUTE 13 WATERLINE AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE**

CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED. Councilperson Thompson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-9 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Councilperson Bethel made a motion to enter executive session to discuss employment of personnel under ORC 121.22 (G) (1) with Council and Mayor present. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted “yes” except for Councilpersons Chute and Thompson who voted “no”. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 for executive session.

Councilperson Goodfellow made a motion to exit executive session. Seconded by Councilperson Boyle. All Council voted “yes”. Motion carried.

Meeting resumed at 8:00 pm.

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

Mayor Ratliff entertained a motion to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.


Mayor


Council Clerk