

**VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 21, 2015**  
**6:30PM**  
**MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

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

Councilperson Chute made a motion to excuse Councilperson Vandewater, seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to approve the minutes for September 8, 2015 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes" except for Councilperson Fiore who abstained due to being absent from the September 8, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

Perry County Commissioner Jim O'Brien provided an update on the progress of the Opera House restoration. Mr. O'Brien also indicated that the County would be interested in purchasing the New Lexington Community Building to expand County offices. Council decided that the Finance Committee should handle discussion regarding the Community Building.

Mayor Eveland announced the appointment of Jordan Hollingshead as New Lexington Fire Chief. Eveland stated he would schedule a department head meeting next week.

Finance Director Rockwell indicated that a motion was needed to accept the August financial statements. Ms. Rockwell also presented Council with a supplemental appropriations ordinance, a draft of the temporary budget for 2016 and a resolution to amend the Pike Township Fire and EMS Contracts.

Councilperson Chute made a motion to accept the August financial statements. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Administrator Bryant presented Council with a resolution to apply for permissive tax funds from the Perry County Engineer to pay for paving.

Fire Chief Hollingshead presented Council with EMS run statistics.

Councilperson Thompson reported that the Finance Committee met on 9/21/15 at 5:30PM to discuss HB5 Income Tax Uniformity and various Workers' Compensation programs available to the Village. The Finance Committee gave the recommendation to Council to participate in the Transitional Work Program and the Drug Free Workplace program. The next Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for October 5 at 5:30PM.

Councilperson Danison made a motion to enroll in the BWC Transitional Work Program and Drug Free Workplace Program. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Chute reported on the Municipal Concerns Committee meeting on September 9 at 4:45PM. It was decided that dye would be put in the storm drain near the Hutchinson Court address to determine the source of the water collecting at the property.

Councilperson Chute requested a committee be appointed to work on updating property maintenance laws. Councilpersons Chute, Pletcher and Thompson were appointed to serve on the committee.

Council discussed an issue with the fire siren and options to upgrade and/or relocate it. Councilperson Chute inquired if the permissive tax funds are allowed to be used to upgrade sidewalks. Administrator Bryant indicated he would have the law director review the acceptable uses for the funds.

Councilperson Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 15-16 declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Fiore. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 15-16: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 15-4 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE WATER OPERATING AND SEWER OPERATING FUNDS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO MAINTAIN NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE.** Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to adopt Ordinance 15-16 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 15-11 declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Chute. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution No. 15-11: **A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE EXISTING AGREEMENT FOR FIRE/EMS SERVICES WITH PIKE TOWNSHIP AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Councilperson Thompson made a motion to adopt Resolution 15-11 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Fiore. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

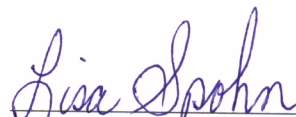
Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 15-12 declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution No. 15-12: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO FILE FOR PERMISSIVE TAX FUNDS FROM THE PERRY COUNTY ENGINEER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to adopt Resolution 15-12 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Eveland entertained a motion to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned.

  
Mayor Dale Eveland

  
Council Clerk Lisa Spohn