

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING

October 3, 2016

6:30 pm

MUNCIPAL BUILDING

The Village of New Lexington met in regular session with Mayor Ratliff presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. Council Members present were Kathy Chute, Susan Boyle, Susan Goodfellow, Tim Fiore, Dan Bethel, Jeff Danison and Richard Anderson. Also present were Police Chief Scott Ervin, Administrator Scott Bryant and Fire Chief Jordan Hollingshead.

Councilperson Danison made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2016 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Ratliff stated on September 22, 2016 the Perry County Commissioners announced that the 9-1-1 Call Center would be moving in 2017 from the Village of New Lexington Municipal Building to 121 West Brown Street, New Lexington, Ohio. Ratliff stated he will contact the Perry County Commissioners to discuss the 9-1-1 contract. Police Chief Ervin stated Council will need a plan to wait on customers once the dispatchers are moved to a new address. Ervin suggested a Committee review this new change.

Administrator Bryant informed Council he has two resolutions to present to Council concerning Ohio First Responder Grants LLC.

Police Chief Ervin informed Council that the 4th of July Committee would be holding a fundraiser at Pizza Hut on November 1, 2016 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Ervin stated the proceeds would go toward the purchase of Fireworks for the Village 4th of July celebration in 2017. Ervin also informed Council that Judge Cooperrider and the Crooksville National Honor Society would be living in a box on the court house lawn to show awareness for homelessness. Councilperson Fiore asked Chief Ervin about rumors of clown sightings within the Village. Ervin stated the Police Department has no confirmed reports.

Fire Chief Hollingshead informed Council that he had two quotes for a new medic. Hollingshead also stated the Fire Department would hold an open house on October 11, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm with the department providing hot dogs, popcorn and drinks. Police Chief Ervin stated there would be a TAC meeting at the EMA office on October 11, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Councilperson Chute reported on the combined Finance Committee and Public Safety Committee meeting that was held on September 28, 2016. Chute stated they discussed hiring a part time property maintenance officer. Councilperson Chute made a motion to hire a part time property maintenance officer and to have an Emergency Ordinance or Resolution written to present to Council at the next meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Goodfellow. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. A combined Finance Committee/Public Safety Committee meeting was scheduled for October 13, 2016 at 4:35 pm at the Municipal Building.

Councilperson Chute reported on the Municipal Concerns Committee meeting that was held on September 22, 2016. Chute stated the cost of one new light would be \$10.00 a month. The pole

for the light is already in place. The Committee recommended putting a street light on Vine Street. Councilperson Chute made a motion to install the street light on Vine Street. Seconded by Councilperson Fiore. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Fiore reported on the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting that was held on September 27, 2016. The committee met at the New Lexington swimming pool to discuss pool improvements. Administrator Bryant stated that there is a leak that is getting repaired. Advertising for a pool manager will conclude November 1, 2016.

Councilperson Boyle stated a Planning Committee/Economic Development Committee meeting was held on September 26, 2016. Boyle stated she spoke to Judy Rockwell about clearing weeds around her property. Mrs. Rockwell stated she would like to have them clean the weeds from the wall around her house and also from the sidewalks and curbs. Boyle stated the Committee made a motion for her to speak to Gene Gable from ODOT regarding the crosswalks on Broadway Street. Boyle spoke to Mr. Gable and he stated the crosswalks were in the plans for the paving project and have been approved. The Committee also discussed speaking with Pizza Hut about putting a sidewalk in front of the business while it is already under construction. The Committee would like to speak with Tractor Supply about their negotiations for the Pamida building. The Committee is considering starting a project on Main Street to paint the street sign posts, kill the grass on the sidewalks and mulch around the trees. Boyle stated Administrator Bryant asked to be contacted when they are ready to get the paint for this project. A meeting was scheduled for October 18, 2016 at 5:00 pm. Councilperson Chute requested Administrator Bryant contact Tractor Supply to offer an incentive for them to come in.

Councilperson Fiore asked about the situation on Orchard Street with the pest control. Mayor Ratliff stated the owner is having the property treated every Friday for one month by a different pest control company than was used previously.

Councilperson Chute thanked Administrator Bryant and Finance Director Rockwell for the lists of contracts, levies and loans. Council discussed options to monitor expiration dates for levies and contracts.

Councilperson Chute made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 16-14 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution No. 16-14: **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND OHIO FIRST RESPONDER GRANTS, LLC TO MANAGE THE FEMA GRANT AWARD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Councilperson Chute made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 16-14 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. 16-15 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution No. 16-15: **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND OHIO FIRST RESPONDER GRANTS, LLC TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT FEMA AFG APPLICATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Councilperson Anderson made a motion to adopt

Resolution No. 16-15 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Fiore. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Chute made a motion to go into executive session to discuss legal issues. Seconded by Councilperson Boyle. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned for executive session.

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

Councilperson Chute stated no action was taken at this time.

Mayor Ratliff entertained a motion to adjourn.

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


Mayor Kevin Ratliff


Council Clerk Lisa Spohn