

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING

December 4, 2017

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, Susan Goodfellow, Jeff Danison, Tim Fiore, Susan Boyle, Kathy Chute and Richard Anderson. Also present were Police Chief Scott Ervin, Fire Chief Jordan Hollingshead and Administrator Bo Powell.

Councilperson Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 20, 2017 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Danison. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Jenny LaRue thanked the Village for all their help on the Broadway walkability project. LaRue stated there was money left from the project that she would like to give to the Village to start a sidewalk loan program for residents. LaRue informed Council she would need to know if they wanted to participate in the loan program by Friday, December 8, 2017. Chute stated it would have to be reviewed by the attorney. Bethel stated we would have to make sure the projects would not have to be bid out. Councilperson Bethel made a motion do a memorandum of understanding for sidewalk repair. Seconded by Councilperson Fiore. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Bethel inquired if Council was going to vote on the new ambulance at the meeting. Councilperson Chute stated with the absence of Finance Director Rockwell the Resolution will have to be prepared as an emergency.

Council Clerk Spohn presented Council with the November 2017 Bank Reconciliation and the November 2017 Financial Reports on behalf of Finance Director Rockwell.

Administrator Powell informed Council that the repairs to Park Row were completed from where the gas company damaged the street replacing gas lines. Powell stated concrete was poured on the whole street to repair it. Powell informed Council that the generator for the Water Treatment Plant had been ordered. Powell stated the Waste Water Treatment Plant project bids came in \$198,000 over the engineer's quote, so the vac truck will be moved to Phase II of the project. Powell informed Council that the warranty deed for the Community Building will not transfer to the Commissioners due to an alley closure. Powell stated surveyor Andy Knisley is going to come and look at the property and resolve the issue. Powell informed Council he found more information on the Medical Marijuana and that it is not for smoking only oils and edibles. Powell stated the attorney for the Village thinks we need an ordinance in place. Mayor Ratliff agreed that the Village needs something in place. Councilperson Chute stated if the Village puts the ordinance in place then anyone wanting to open a shop would have to come before Council first.

Police Chief Ervin informed Council that Kathleen Young from the Governor's office spoke to the students at New Lexington City Schools about drug abuse and prevention. Ervin also reported that Congressman Steve Stivers spoke to Ervin about their effort to try and combat

opioids. Ervin informed Council that the Christmas walk went very well. Ervin stated the Fire Department and Police Department worked together on the funeral services for Anne Craig.

Fire Chief Hollingshead stated the department will hold a pancake breakfast fund raiser for Joshua Conrad on December 9, 2017 from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Police Chief Ervin stated something has to be done about the records retention. Councilperson Chute stated she would contact Janie DePinto who is a member of the records committee and ask her to schedule a meeting.

Councilperson Chute made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 17-22 as a second reading. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes" except for Councilperson Fiore who voted "no". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 17-22: **AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT NEW CHAPTER 1165: MEDICAL MARIJUANA OF NEW LEXINGTON ZONING CODE.** Councilperson Chute made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-22 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes" except for Councilperson Fiore who voted "no". Motion carried.

Mayor Ratliff entertained a motion to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

  
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Mayor Kevin Ratliff

  
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Council Clerk Lisa Spohn