

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING
October 16, 2017
6:30 PM
MUNCIPAL BUILDING

The Village of New Lexington met in regular session with Mayor Ratliff presiding and the meeting being called to order at 6:34 pm. Council Members present were Dan Bethel, Kathy Chute, Richard Anderson, Tim Fiore, Jeff Danison, Susan Boyle and Susan Goodfellow. Also present were Finance Director Heather Rockwell, Police Chief Scott Ervin, Administrator Bo Powell and Fire Chief Jordan Hollingshead.

Councilperson Danison made a motion to approve the minutes for the October 2, 2017 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Boyle. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Finance Director Rockwell presented Council with the most recent credit card statement, an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources, an Ordinance for Supplemental Appropriations, and a request to approve the September Financial Statements presented at the October 2, 2017 meeting.

Administrator Powell stated the Contingency Plan for the Water Treatment Plant has been updated and will be filed with the EPA this week. Powell stated he has been working with Jennifer Sitterly of Sitterly, Vandervoort and Davis to develop policies and procedures for the Village that will meet the requirements for the Fire Dept FEMA AFG grant desk review. Powell stated the policies and procedures should be ready for the next Council meeting. Powell stated a meeting was held with himself, the Mayor and representatives from ODOT regarding the Streetscape Project. The next step in the project is to locate any old basements under the sidewalks to avoid issues with the project later. The total of the Streetscape Project is \$1.9 Million with the Village paying a 5% match of \$110,000. Powell stated the Water Treatment Plant generator is broken down and cannot be repaired due to being thirty years old. A generator is currently being rented for the Water Treatment Plant until quotes can be obtained for a replacement. Powell received two quotes for the Municipal Building parking lot repairs. Powell also stated he is unable to get a second quote for the pool repairs.

Police Chief Ervin stated the department is going to have another full time position vacancy soon due to an employee resigning. Ervin stated that Unit 7 was involved in a second accident which was the fault of the other driver. He also stated that they were having issues with Unit 5 and it may no longer be usable. Ervin informed Council that an ALICE training would be held at New Lexington Schools on 10/18/17. Ervin also reminded Council of the upcoming Trunk or Treat event at the Fairgrounds.

Fire Chief Hollingshead reported that Spectrum will be moving phone lines for the siren relocation. Hollingshead stated that the siren will be moved before winter. Hollingshead opened two sealed bids for the Hose and Appliance grant. Hollingshead stated the deadline for bids to be submitted was October 13, 2017. A bid from Fire Safety Services for appliances was received in the amount of \$20,278. The second set of bids was from Finely Fire Services for \$21,242 for appliances and \$40,063 for hoses. Hollingshead also reported that the EMS has received two applications for employment and are receiving a lot of calls about job openings. Hollingshead stated EMS shifts are being covered.

Councilman Bethel requested an update on the purchase of a medic. Hollingshead stated they were still in the process of putting together specs for advertising for bids. Hollingshead stated they will go with "miniature" specs to save on advertising costs.

Councilperson Chute reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on October 16, 2017 at 5:30P. The Committee discussed properties being demolished through the land bank. Rockwell presented the Committee with an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources and a Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance and explained why changes were being made. Rockwell requested that both items be passed retroactive to October 6, 2017 in order to cover the Fall Festival that was held on October 7, 2017. The Committee discussed the

success of the Fall Festival. Rockwell also discussed water and income tax office issues with validators and the need to replace them soon. Rockwell provided an update on the status of the water and sewer rate adjustments. Administrator Powell reported the issues with the Water Treatment Plant generator and the need to replace it. Powell provided an update on the quotes for parking lot repairs at the Municipal Building and repairs to the swimming pool. Powell also reported on the Streetscape meeting. Powell stated that trees along Main Street will need to be removed when the project begins. Chute requested Powell locate the color display of the finished Streetscape to put in the lobby for public viewing. The Committee also discussed pay restructure.

Councilperson Boyle reported that the Fall Festival went well. She stated they are working on planning for next year. Boyle asked if anyone knows where the orange and black park levy signs are.

Councilperson Goodfellow stated she presented Administrator Powell a zoning ordinance for review to be presented at the next meeting by the Planning Committee.

Barbara Shiplett appeared before Council to request a proclamation to celebrate Founder's Day of New Lexington for James Comly on November 12, 2017.

Councilperson Chute made a motion to approve the September Financial Statements presented at the October 2, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Chute made a motion to file the Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources as presented with the County Auditor retroactively effective on October 6, 2017. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 17-18 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Bethel. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.
Ordinance No. 17-18: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 17-4 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE GENERAL, STREET, CEMETERY, PARK & RECREATION LEVY, FEMA GRANT, FIRE & EMS LEVY AND SEWER OPERATING FUNDS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO MAINTAIN NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE. Councilperson Bethel made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-18 as read retroactively effective on October 6, 2017. Seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mayor Ratliff entertained a motion to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.


Mayor Kevin Ratliff


Council Clerk Lisa Spohn