

VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 2, 2015  
6:30 PM  
MUNCIPAL BUILDING

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

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to excuse Councilperson Chute from the November 2, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Councilperson Danison. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2015 meeting as read. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Mike Britt addressed council about the results of his meeting with the variance committee. Administrator Bryant informed Mr. Britt that Council cannot overrule the variance committee but he can appeal the decision through Common Pleas Court.

Finance Director Rockwell presented Council with the October 2015 bank reconciliation and monthly reports. Rockwell also presented Council with a 2016 Temporary Appropriations Ordinance, Income Tax Ordinances and 2015 Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance. Rockwell stated that the Income Tax Ordinance for 2016 law changes is under review by the law director. Rockwell informed Council that the Tax Ordinance will be presented to Council at the November 16, 2016 meeting as a first reading. She requested a special meeting on November 30, 2015 for the second reading of the Tax Ordinance to be in compliance with HB5 by 2016. Rockwell also requested an executive session to discuss a personnel contract.

Administrator Bryant stated that the contract with Waste Management will expire on December 31, 2015. Waste Management does not want to keep prices at the same level. Bryant asked Council if they wanted to put the contract out for bids or to a committee for review. No decision was made. Bryant presented Council with a Resolution for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements. Bryant also presented Council with the Ohio Public Entity Consortium Healthcare Cooperative cost increase. He stated that the Finance Committee recommended option one and that a motion is needed to proceed.

Police Chief Ervin stated they have been very busy. The Police Department set up a new system for recording property maintenance that is working very well.

Fire Chief Hollingshead stated they have responded to 82 calls in the month of October. He also informed Council that the Fire Departments air packs are set to expire in 2017. Hollingshead stated they are going to apply for AFG grant funding to purchase new air packs. The cost of new prototype packs is \$102,700.00. Hollingshead stated they can buy new bottles for the packs for less but it is outdated equipment. Bottles are about \$880.00 each and face masks are about \$600.00 each.

Councilperson Thompson reported on the Finance Committee meeting that was held on October 26, 2015. He stated the Committee had given the tax ordinance pertaining to the changes of HB5 to the law director. He also informed Council that the Finance Committee recommended option



one on the OPEC Healthcare Cooperative. A motion was made by Councilperson Thompson to choose option one for the OPEC Healthcare renewal. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Vandewater gave an update on his communication with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. Vandewater asked Finance Director Rockwell if we would have the funds to employ an intern through a program with MORPC for economic development. The cost of this program would be approximately \$4600.00. Finance Director Rockwell stated this should be discussed by the Finance Committee. A Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for November 9, 2014 at 4:30 pm.

Mayor Eveland called for an executive session to discuss a personnel contract.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion for an executive session to discuss a personnel contract. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried

Meeting adjourned for executive session.

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

Mayor Eveland presented Resolution No. 15-16 as a result of the executive session.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 15-19 as a first reading. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 15-19: **AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016.**

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 15-20 as a first reading. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 15-20: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TAXABLE AGE.**

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 15-21 as a first reading. Seconded by Councilperson Pletcher. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 15-21: **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING LANDLORD REPORTING.**

Councilperson Anderson made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Ordinance No. 15-22 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Vandewater. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Ordinance No. 15-22: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 15-4 TO REALLOCATE AND INCREASE FUNDING TO THE GENERAL, STREET, FIRE & EMS LEVY, 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 No. 15-22 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Vandewater made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 15-15 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council

voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution No. 15-15: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR USDA/RURAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND TO EXECUTE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS, AS REQUIRED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Councilperson Pletcher made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-15 as read. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried.

Councilperson Fiore made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only Resolution No. 15-16 as a first reading. Seconded by Councilperson Thompson. All Council voted "yes". Motion carried. Resolution No. 15-16: **A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON AND HEATHER ROCKWELL.**

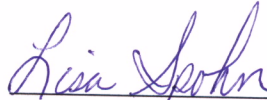
Mayor Eveland entertained a motion to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned.



Mayor Dale Eveland



Council Clerk/Lisa Spohn