

NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, December 28, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

Mayor John Martin called the meeting to order. He then gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was then taken with the following members present: Myers, Willis, Paramore, Cooke and Winslow. Curtis was absent.

Also present: Chief Marko, Steve Bond, Don Patton, John Chapin and Shawn Pickworth

John Martin then asked for approval of the agenda. Myers made a motion to approve the agenda. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.

The minutes from the regular meeting held on December 12, 2016 were then presented for approval. Paramore made a motion to approve the minutes. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.

John Martin asked for any public questions or statements. There were none.

John Martin then called for a report from the Administrator.

Shawn reported the following.

Water

- Water Plant Improvement Project – John, Don and I met with representatives from Poggemeyer Design Group on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 to review plans. We are hoping to move forward with the filter rebuilds as soon as possible.
- Ice – shutdown both water plants on Thursday, December 15th until Saturday, December 17th. The Village was able to get water from Rural Lorain.

Wastewater

Sanitation

- Old Garbage Truck – lost rear brakes last Wednesday, December 21st during country route. Crew was able to fix and put back in service by Friday, December 23rd.
- The Mayor and I visited a recycle center Wednesday, December 21st. Received some good information on recycling.

Street

- No major issues.

Parks

- Roof replacements have begun on the pavilions at the Reservoir.

Other

- 117 East Main Street – I went to Norwalk and visited the Treasurer’s Office and found that the property is in foreclosure. Because of this, Mr. Bond was able to get a contact of an attorney that represents the Bank of New York to see if they might be interested in getting rid of the property; and they weren’t. So right now we have 2 options-we can leave the property go through the foreclosure process or we can start the process for eminent domain.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Water/Sewer Dept. John Chapin reported that on December 9 the controller that shuts plant #1 off when the clear well gets full failed. There was 47 inches of water in the basement and five motors and pumps were under water. All are back in service. They had to replace and program a new controller. The water department repaired a water main break on New London Avenue. The service saddle failed on the line going to Aster Court. They purchased the parts needed and made the necessary repairs. John also reported beginning late December 15 they were unable to get water from the reservoir to the treatment plants due to frazzle ice. It was necessary to turn the Rural Lorain County Water Authority connection on to New London. Five valves were operated for the transition. On Dec 17 the frazzle ice was gone and everything was fine. Water was then able to get from the reservoir to the treatment plants. The water department read meters on December 19 and 20. A meeting took place with Poggemeyer. Some problems were identified on the prints. They gathered more information about electrical and plumbing. Lastly, John reported they are working on a bulk system for Ferric Chloride at the wastewater plant. The initial cost is around \$20,000. The annual savings is between \$6,000 and \$8,000 and should pay for itself in about 3 years. This will provide much needed added safety for the employees.

John Martin then asked for a report from Street/Sanitation. Don Patton had nothing to report.

John Martin then called for a report from the Recreation Department. Joe Thomas absent.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Police Chief. Chief Marko stated he would like to give raises to three part-time officers and one full-time officer.

Stuart Cooke made a motion to give a \$1.00 raise to full-time officer Lance Capiot and part-time officers Robert Lambert, Eric Lucas and Kristofer Pinkerton to begin January 1, 2017. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Ambulance. Bill Curtis absent.

John Martin then asked for a report from Zoning. Bob James absent.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-27 An Ordinance Adopting the 2017 Annual Appropriations for the Operation of the Village of New London. Emergency Reading. Myers made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 16-27 to be passed on an emergency measure. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call: Winslow, Yes; Curtis, Absent; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Yes. Myers made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Paramore seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

Cooke questioned what Ordinance 2016-29 was about. It was explained that this ordinance would allow the credit card transactions to be deposited into the Village’s primary checking account with Sutton instead of into an account at PNC. There would be no fee changes or any other changes.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-29 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-12 to Authorize the Village to Carry out Credit Card Services Through Sutton Bank, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Cooke made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 16-29 to be passed on an emergency measure. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call: Winslow, Yes; Curtis, Absent; Cooke, Yes;

Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Yes. Paramore made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-30 An Ordinance Amending the 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance by Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Funds and Appropriations as Needed for Operations, and Declaring an Emergency. Myers made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 16-30 to be passed on an emergency measure. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call: Winslow, Yes; Curtis, Absent; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Yes. Myers made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2016-08 A Resolution to Reimburse Collections in the Fund for Gifts from the Terry Wilson Memorial Observation Deck Committee Back to the CSX Fund. Third Reading. Paramore made a motion to approve the third reading. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then called for Old Business. There was none.

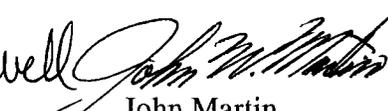
John Martin then called for New Business.

John Martin gave council lists for new Committees for 2017. Some of the things he mentioned were the park board needs three new members and the Planning and Zoning Commission needs one council member. The monument Committee needs one additional member because the mayor is removing himself from that committee. Martin requested that council review all the committees and start thinking about what needs done for 2017. More discussion on this topic will take place in 2017.

John Martin then presented the monthly bills for approval. Myers made a motion to approve the bills as presented. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; No one opposed.

Winslow made a motion to adjourn. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.


Nancy Howell
Fiscal Officer


John Martin
Mayor

