

**NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting – Monday, April 23, 2018 @ 7 p.m.**

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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: Curtis, Myers, Willis and Paramore. Cooke was absent.

Also present: Chief Marko, Lynn Phillips, Bob James, Steve Bond, Shawn Pickworth, Don Patton, and Ellen Simmons.

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

The minutes from the April 9, 2018 regular meeting were then presented for approval. Myers made a motion to approve the minutes. Curtis 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 Treatment Plant Improvements- We are ready to go to bid. I am asking Councils permission to advertise and accept bids.
- Water Tap – Water Crew will be installing a new water tap on North Main Street this week.
- GIS Project – project continues to make great progress.
- Asset Management – Tom Borck and Sid Hoover from Poggemeyer Design Group were here tonight and put on a workshop and presented to council. I am working with RCAP completing the funding application for our Loan/Grant for Asset Management. The Loan portion of the funding is \$13,000.00 over 5 years the rest of the cost will be given as a grant. RCAP will be helping the Village implement an Asset Management Program. While it is the OEPA requirement to only do the Water, it is our intent to do Sewer, Sanitation, Streets, Parks.
- Hydrant Flushing – April is flushing month. Wednesdays & Thursdays crews will be out flushing hydrants.
- Crew repaired a main valve on train #2.

Wastewater

- Crews will begin cleaning tanks.
- Sludge Dry Bed – cleaned off sludge ready to be landfilled.
- UV Lights will be reinstalled next.

### Sanitation

- Spring Cleanup – This week is spring clean-up. Get your trash on the curb or down to the Village Garage before Friday, April 27, 2018 @ 3:00 PM.

### Street

- Pothole – the season is back. Crews are out patching. Please let us know if we miss a bad one.
- Catch Basins – a catch basin at the corner of East Main & South Main was replaced on Friday, April 20, 2018. Crews did a great job installing the replacement. Many more in the plans to repair or replace. Because of our crew's workload our goal is to do 1 catch basin per week.
- 3 CDBG Funding applications were submitted to WSOS/RCAP who administers the grant applications for the Huron County Commissioners. Hopefully we will hear something by June.
- We will be meeting with Tim Bock from Poggemeyer Design Group on Thursday, April 26, 2018 to discuss areas we want to possibly apply for a Critical Infrastructure Grant. We will be focused on streets. We have to go through WSOS and RCAP for the grant. The lady that does the grants through them has never written this grant so I am asking Poggemeyer to help us out because they are successful with writing this grant. They have done it for other communities so they will be involved in helping us do this.

### Other

- Compost Facility – the company we used in the past to grind and haul away our brush is phasing out that part of their business. I have contacted another company that is interested in giving us a quote and will be meeting with them sometime this week.
- MuniPay – Our office will be switching our credit card transactions over to MuniPay no later than May 1, 2018. MuniPay works with our new billing system MuniLink. New charges for using credit cards will be 2.65% or a \$3.00 minimum. Please see attached information.

Shawn Pickworth then went through the parks report. Opening day at the reservoir was this weekend. Everything went well. We had a lot of campers stay over the weekend. We had issues with some electric at two sites. We called BCU in to fix the problem. They have ordered the parts they need to fix this. We are in the new office. It has been working great. Many great compliments have been received. There will be a fishing tournament on May 12, 2018 and a pancake breakfast May 27, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Three new decks have been approved by Joe Thomas and Michelle Collins. Blueprints for the decks are on file. We

have 92 seasonal sites and 78 of these have paid. Michelle is calling the rest to find out when they are paying.

At the recreation park they have noticed increased activity since the weather has been nice. Please be aware of your speed when driving through the park. The restrooms are now open. Motocross practice is Sunday, April 29, 2018. Sign up is at 9 a.m. and practice at 10 a.m. The cost will be \$20 per rider. There will be a softball tournament May 26, 2018 over Memorial Day weekend.

One thing not on the report is that Precisions Paving will be in the Rec Park doing some asphalt repairs from where we tore up some roads while completing the Force Main Project. They are going to try to get that done this week. There are a couple other problem areas that will be fixed while they are here. Hopefully it will be done this week if the weather cooperates with us. This will finish up the repair portion of the project. Shawn then asked if there were any questions.

Ellen Simmons asked if the pancake breakfast on May 27 was for the campers or the public or everybody?

There was some discussion about the pancake breakfast and no one was completely sure of the exact location or who it was open to so more will be discussed on this at the next council meeting.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Police Chief. Chief Marko stated he didn't have anything unless someone had something for him.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Fire Chief. Shawn Pickworth reported for the fire department due to the absence of Fire Chief, John Chapin. Shawn reported that the fire chief had three new applicants that he would like council's approval to hire. Ashlynn Bales, Nicholas Bales and Caleb Gill were the three applicants that he would like approval on so that he could get them in school all at the same time and get them on board.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Ambulance. Bill Curtis stated he had nothing to report other than he had advised them about the closing of the road. He told Dan Bailey he could have the barricades out there and that the chief said it would be okay to block off a section of the road between James Street and Railroad Street for the New London Community Day on Saturday, May 19, 2018.

John Martin then asked for a report from Zoning. Bob James stated he had a couple things. He wanted to talk about zoning classifications and rates. He stated that last fall they had discussed allowing any permitted use in the General Commercial District to be used in a Light Industrial District. Bob James would like to revisit that discussion and change the ordinance to allow Commercial use in a Light Industrial District. He also wanted to look at the zoning rates because they have some new classifications in the zoning code such as solar panels and wind turbines and the rates haven't been looked at in a long time. He requested Mr. Bond start working on those items.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2018-09 An Ordinance Amending Section 521.06 of the Codified Ordinances Relative to Sidewalk Maintenance. Third Reading. Myers made a motion to approve the third reading. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2018-03 A Resolution Authorizing the Village Administrator to Apply for, Accept and Enter into a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) Agreement on Behalf

of the Village of New London for Planning a Water System Asset Management Program; and designating a Dedicated Repayment Source for the Loan and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. John Martin stated that since there were not enough members on council they would have to change it to a first reading. Curtis made a motion to approve the first reading. Paramore seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2018-04 A Resolution in the Matter of Determining Emergency Management Service for the Political Subdivision of the Village of New London. First Reading. Myers made a motion to approve the first reading. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then called for Old Business.

John Martin stated he had gotten together with CSX last week and Don and Shawn had gotten the two-way sign installed on West Main Street that can be seen coming off Clinton Street. There is no word on the sidewalks as of this date.

John Martin then called for New Business.

Janice Myers made a motion to allow John Chapin to hire Ashlynn Bales, Nicholas Bales and Caleb Gill as Volunteer Fire Fighters for the Village of New London effective April 23, 2018. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

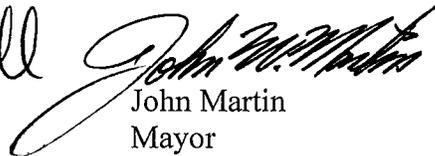
Myers made a motion to allow the Village Administrator to advertise and accept bids for the Water Treatment Plant Improvements. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

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

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



Nancy Howell  
Fiscal Officer



John Martin  
Mayor