

NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL
Regular Meeting – Monday, June 25, 2018 @ 7 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: Curtis, Myers, Cooke, Paramore and Ball. Willis was absent.

Also present: Chief Marko, Steve Bond, Shawn Pickworth, Joe Thomas, John Chapin, Don Patton, Erik Von Kamp, Marvin McCallister and Ellen Simmons.

John Martin asked for a motion to amend the agenda to allow for a report of the Recreation Department from Park Director, Joe Thomas. Myers made a motion to amend the agenda. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes: No one opposed.

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

The minutes from the regular meeting held on June 11, 2018 were then presented for approval. Cooke 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.

Erik Von Kamp rose and presented the Village Administrator with an invoice for \$10,000 for downtown sidewalk repair and also a public records request.

Ellen Simmons then thanked Shawn Pickworth for the Euclid Road Improvement.

Shawn Pickworth stated he hoped there would be additional improvements coming later as well.

John Martin then called for a report from the Administrator.

Shawn reported the following.

Water

- Water Treatment Plant Improvements- We will be having a CAP/Asset Management Assessment Interview with representatives from the OEPA on Thursday, June 28, 2018. Representing the Village will be Nancy Howell, Don Patton, Wendy Kidd, John Chapin and myself.
- GIS Project – crews still out locating utilities ahead of our RCAP expert coming in and mapping. We are already requesting maps from RCAP for the Gas Company Project.
- Crews will be working this week at the Firelands Electric building site relocating a 300' of 8" water main, fire hydrant and water tap.

Wastewater

- Draining tanks and pouring sludge drying beds.

- USDA 3-year Inspection happened on Friday, June 22, 2018. Everything went well. This is a requirement from the big sewer project.
- We will be meeting with engineers to talk about possible sewer plant improvements. We have a number of issues that will need addressed in the near future and we need to get to work on them. Number 1 is our Headworks/Pump house built in the 1940's. It has been well kept but is well past it's life span and needs to be updated to modern equipment. Number 2 is our Spiral Hoff Tank has some plumbing issues that will require it to be drained, taken out of service and repaired. Number 3 is both of our Trickling Filters, mechanically they are in bad shape and both need rebuilt.

Sanitation

- No Major Issues.

Street

- Pothole Repairs – crews continue to battle potholes.

Other

- Attended a Land Bank Organizational meeting on Friday, June 22, 2018 at the Huron County Commissioners Building. This is going to take some time to get going and organized but I am sure we will get there and get this program off the ground and running.

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. Chief John Chapin stated he had applied last November for a \$15,000 grant and he recently found out he had been awarded the money. The village will receive \$12,500.00 in grant money and will be responsible for \$2,500 itself. The grant will cover the cost of a big washing machine called an extractor. This machine is capable of washing three sets of fire gear at the same time. In addition to the extractor, the village will be purchasing 60 hoods and 30 pair of gloves.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Ambulance. Bill Curtis stated he would have a report at the next meeting.

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

John Martin then asked for a report from the Recreation Department. Joe Thomas started with a report from the reservoir. The reservoir has been very busy lately from the beach, to the pavilion rentals to the cabins. The new putt putt course is almost complete. Joe wanted to thank Michelle Phillips for helping complete the project. Rockin the Rez will be July 14, 2018. They will have presale tickets available starting Monday, July 2, 2018 at the Village Office, the reservoir office and the hardware store. Presale tickets will be \$10 for adults. The day of the event, tickets will be \$12 for adults and \$2 for kids 4-17 years of age. Three and under will be free. There will also be shirts for sale again this year. The shirts will be \$15 each and you can purchase them at the reservoir office. Spill on the Hill will be the next day on July 15, 2018. Joe encouraged everyone that had never been to Spill on the Hill to attend. It is a great family fun event.

Joe then gave a report on the recreation park. He stated the park had also been busy. The past weekend they had six pavilion rentals and the Hileman Building was rented twice. The also had the annual AA campout at the park. With the park being so busy, Joe wanted to caution residents to please be careful when driving

through. Lastly, Joe reported that the park board is looking for new members. Anyone interested should drop off a resume or pick up an application at the village office.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2018-13 An Ordinance Authorizing the Village Administrator to Enter into a Contract with Kirk Bros. Co., Inc., the Lowest and Best Bidder for Water Treatment Plant Improvements, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Myers made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 2018-13 to be passed on an emergency measure. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Absent; 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 2018-14 An Ordinance Amending the Employee Handbook Relative to the Position of Utility Foreman. Second Reading. Cooke made a motion to approve the second reading. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2018-15 An Ordinance Amending Section 1114.03 of the Codified Ordinances to Allow Commercial Uses in a Light Industrial District. Second Reading. Curtis made a motion to approve the second reading. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2018-16 An Ordinance Establishing the Fire Demolition Fund, Amending the 2018 Annual Appropriations Ordinance to Make Appropriations of Revenues to be Received into that Fund, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading.

Janice Myers questioned what the Fire Demolition Fund was being set up for.

Fire Chief, John Chapin, explained that an insurance claim had been made for a resident's garage fire. The insurance company issued a check to the Village of New London to deposit into a Fire Demolition Fund. Once the structure was successfully demolished the Village would issue a check to the insured party. If the resident failed to tear down the building, after a reasonable amount of time, the Village would then be able to use the money in the fund to tear the structure down. John Chapin stated the resident had demolished the building so he was due a check for the insurance money.

Cooke then made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 2018-16 to be passed on an emergency measure. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Absent; Paramore, Yes. Myers made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Paramore seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2018-17 An Ordinance Authorizing the Establishment of an "Unclaimed Moneys Trust Fund". First Reading. Curtis made a motion to approve the first reading. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2018-18 An Ordinance Amending the Sections 181.02, 181.03, and 181.09 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of New London Renewing the Additional .50% Increase in the Income Tax by and for a Period of an Additional Four Years Only and Providing that the Revenue Generated by Such Additional Tax Would be Used for Police and Fire Operations and Declaring an Emergency. First Reading. Myers made a motion to approve the first reading. Paramore seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2018-07 A Resolution Directing the Board of Elections of Huron County to Place Upon the New London Village Ballot at the General Election to be Held on November 6, 2018, the Question of Renewing the Levy of an Additional Fifty Hundredths of One Percent (.50%) Municipal Income Tax in Excess of the One Percent (1%) Income Tax Now in Effect, Providing that the

Revenues Generated by Such Additional Tax Would be Used for the Purposes of Police and Fire Department Operations Only for a Period of Four Years Only, and Declaring an Emergency. First Reading. Paramore made a motion to approve the first reading. Ball seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2018-08 A Resolution Directing CSX Transportation Inc., to Immediately Repair the Crossing of its Rail Line Along West Main Street (SR 162) and North Main Street (SR 60), and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Myers made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Resolution 2018-08 to be passed on an emergency measure. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Absent; Paramore, Yes. Curtis made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then called for Old Business.

Bill Curtis asked that since the resolution had been passed about CSX do they notify PUCO?

John Martin replied that he had talked to two different people from PUCO and filed two complaints. An inspector from the local PUCO will be contacting him or the Village Administrator about inspecting the areas. John Martin also talked to the Active Transportation Manager with ODOT and filed a complaint. This manager is new so John Martin explained that they would have to give him some time to do some research on the situation. He concluded by saying hopefully the resolution will help speed things along.

John Martin then called for New Business.

There was none.

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

John Martin then asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session to consider the Investigation of Charges or Complaints Against a Village Employee, Official, Licensee, or Regulated Individual. Curtis made a motion to enter into executive session. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Absent; Paramore, Yes.

Myers made a motion to return to regular session. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Absent; Paramore, Yes.

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

Nancy Howell

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Fiscal Officer

Absent

John Martin
Mayor

Stuart K. Cooke
Council President