

NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL
Regular Meeting – Monday, January 26, 2015 @ 7 p.m.

Council President 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, Cooke, Curtis, Paramore, Martin, and Winslow.

Also present: Jim Finley, Steve Bond, Chad and Jay from Aspen Energy and Chief Marko.

John then asked for approval of the agenda. Winslow 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 January 12, 2015 were then presented for approval. Myers made a motion to approve the minutes. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll Call – all ayes. No one opposed.

John asked for any public questions or statements.

Jay from Aspen Energy then took the floor and explained the he was here to see if Village Council would be interested in putting on the May ballot an option for Village residents and business owners to allow the Village to join in on a natural gas aggregation program. If the Village would join the program (by majority vote) then Aspen Energy would be able to go out for bid and get whole sale pricing on natural gas for residents and business owners. If a resident or business owner did not want to participate in the program, then there would be an opt-out option and they could still choose their own supplier at that time. This program just enables the residents and business owners to receive more competitive pricing for bulk rates, instead of pricing for individual households or businesses.

Council felt this was an option they would like to present to the citizens of New London. They will hold a brief special meeting on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at 6 p.m. to pass an ordinance to place this on the May ballot.

John then called for a report from the Administrator.

Shawn stated he didn't have much to report, but would like to touch base again regarding the slip lining being done on the sanitary sewers. There are two crews in town they will be notifying residents in the immediate area affected by the slip lining of sewers with yellow hang tags. The hang tags contain information on what to do if residents experience odor from the work being done. They also contain contact information for the company who is doing the slip lining if anyone would need to contact them directly.

Shawn also stated that there is a Zoning meeting for the Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals on Monday, February 9th at 6 p.m. He would like everyone to try and make it, so they can approve the changes and therefore present them to council for their approval.

Shawn also stated they had received a quote from RJ Beck on installing a security camera system at the Reservoir Park and Campground. The quote was for around \$4,000 and it included the DVR, 3 cameras and installation. There would be an option to add on additional wireless cameras for an extra cost if we would be interested.

John then asked for a report from the Water/Sewer Dept. There was nothing to report.

John then asked for a report from the Police Chief. Chief had nothing to report.

John then presented Ordinance 14-35 – An ordinance authorizing the position of Police Lieutenant and amending the Village Employee handbook on third and final reading. Paramore made a motion to approve the third and final reading of Ord. 14-35. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes. No one opposed.

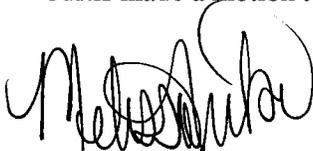
John then presented Ordinance 15-01 – An ordinance amending Section 959.10, of the Village of New London, Codified Ordinances, to increase the rates for garbage collection on first reading. Cooke made a motion to approve the first reading of Ord. 15-01. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes. No one opposed.

John then called for Old Business – John then stated they have finalized the plans for the Veterans Memorial to be constructed at the site of existing war memorials by the public library. They are starting the fundraising off with the sale of brick pavers to be engraved with purchaser's preference. The brick pavers can be purchased in two sizes which are 4X4 for the cost of \$40 per paver or 8X8 for the cost of \$75 per paver. Forms for those interested in purchasing a paver can be picked up at the Village Office, Gilbert Hardware, from the American Legion, or from council members John Martin or Bill Curtis. Forms can also be downloaded off the Village's website. Donations are also being accepted at Sutton Bank. Donations are to be made in the name of Middle East War Memorial Fund (New London Veterans Memorial Fund). If you have any questions or other fundraising ideas you are urged to contact John Longbrake, Commander, Broome-Wood Post 292 at (419) 651-062 or by email at oldude@neo.rr.com.

John then called for New Business – Council agreed to hold a workshop at 6:15 p.m. prior to the start of the regular council meeting on Monday, February 23, 2015, to discuss new policies and procedures regarding cash handling at the New London Reservoir.

John then presented the monthly bills for approval. Myers made a motion to approve the bills. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes. No one opposed.

Curtis made a motion to adjourn. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes. No one opposed.



Melissa Wilson
Fiscal Officer



Darwin K Anderson
Mayor