

NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Regular Meeting – June 10, 2019 @ 7 p.m.

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

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

Also present: Chief Marko, Shawn Pickworth, Steve Bond, Heather Brown, Marvin McCallister, Brian Speicher, Mary Oney, Ellen Simmons, Jason Anderson, Don Patton and John Chapin.

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 May 29, 2019 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. He asked anyone who had a question or statement to stand, state their name and they would be allotted three minutes to talk. There were none.

John Martin then called for a report from the Administrator.

Shawn reported the following.

Water

- Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project – Work continues. A progress meeting was held on May 31, 2019 here in New London. I believe we have worked through all the build issues we have been having and we are moving forward. We estimate that around 65 – 70% of the project is now complete and the contractor is still working towards the end of July first of August finish date.
- Water Tower – the environmental review process has been completed, paper work submitted to the state.
- The insurance company has agreed to cover the full amount of the cost of the repair to the inside of the tower at the cost of \$108,000.00. Council has legislation before you tonight that will allow us to move forward and award the bid of this project. Preconstruction meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2019 here in New London.
- GIS Project – project continues.
- Water Loss – we are down to 6.76%, this is almost unheard of. New system standards are 5% loss. Not very long ago we were as high as 26% loss. This says a lot about our crews and programs we have implemented in the last few years.

Wastewater

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Project – PER is near completion and we are getting close to applying for the construction funding through USDA-RD. We are in the process of an environmental review for the project.
- Spiral Hoff Tank - crews had to take the tank out of service last week for repairs. This is one of the major operations that we want to address during the plant project.

Storm Sewers

- East Hooker & East Washburn – catch basin has been set. Crew will begin installing new tiles as weather permits and other projects allow.
- Rain Events – there has been some talk during rain events about our sewer systems. We have a Storm sewer and a Sanitation Sewer. The Sanitation System is what we did the big project on about 5 years ago. The storm water does not go into it. That was one of the main reasons for the project. The Storm Sewer is what drains our streets. During heavy rain events, these sewers can only take so much and they will back up. When the rain stops or lets up the sewers catch up and the water goes down. We have done a lot of work over the years to both systems and we will continue to improve our systems as we can.

Sanitation

- No Major Issues.

Street

- Potholes – with the crazy up and down temps. and the amount of moisture that is under the road we are going to have a lot of potholes. Please feel free to contact our office if you see one that is not getting addressed. 419-929-4091.
- Johnson Drive, Pearl Street, City Parking Lot – Bid opening will be June 19, 2019 @ 10:00 am in Norwalk for these projects. WSOS/RCAP is handling the bid process for the County.

Other

- Terry Wilson Memorial Deck – I did talk with the contractor today and he is going to send us some suggested design improvements for us to look at.
- Cole Risner – we want to congratulate Cole on his passing of the Class III Water Certification from the State of Ohio. Cole is now a Double Class III in Water and Wastewater joining ranks with John Chapin, Don Patton & Wendy Kidd.

Campground

- Crews have started to work on some projects as time and weather allows.
- Bathrooms – painting is to begin this week. Hot water tank went out in main shower house, new one has been ordered.
- Dryer in Laundry Mat – main board fried, new one ordered.

- Council has before you a letter tonight addressing campers and the Seasonal Campers Association that will need your approval and vote before delivery.

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

John Martin then asked for a report from the Fire Chief. Chief John Chapin stated they were coming along well on the fire station. The outside of the building is just about done. They will be coming to do the insulation inside the building soon. John Chapin then stated they had received a training grant. Last year, four new fire fighters had been sent to fire school at a cost of \$550 each. The grant had reimbursed \$450 each toward that cost. John Chapin concluded by informing council he had also received a \$10,000 equipment grant from the State Fire Marshal as well.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Ambulance. Bill Curtis stated for May they had a total of 58 runs. Of those runs, 26 were basic life support and 32 were advanced life support. There had been two overdoses and 5 traffic accidents.

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

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

John Martin presented Ordinance 2019-10 An Ordinance Adopting a Job Description for the Position of Seasonal Reservoir Campground Employee. Third Reading. Curtis made a motion to approve the third reading. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin presented Ordinance 2019-12 An Ordinance Amending the 2019 Annual Appropriations Ordinance, Authorizing the Village Administrator to Enter into a Contract with the Lowest and Best Bidder for the Water Storage Tank Rehabilitation Project, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Myers made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 2019-12 to be passed on an emergency measure. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Absent. Cooke made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

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

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Bill Curtis made a motion to allow the Village Administrator to send a letter addressing campers and the Seasonal Campers Association. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Yes; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Absent.

John Martin asked if there was any other new business. There was none.

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

John Martin then presented the monthly bills for approval under Schedule B. Curtis made a motion to approve Schedule B. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call: Ball – yes; Paramore – absent; Willis – yes; Curtis – yes; Cooke – abstain; Myers – disqualify herself.

John Martin then presented the Then and Now bills for approval under Schedule C. Ball made a motion to approve Schedule C. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

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


Nancy Howell
Fiscal Officer


John Martin
Mayor