

NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL
Regular Meeting – Monday, September 9, 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, Cooke and Ball. Paramore and Willis were absent.

Also present: Chief Marko, Shawn Pickworth, Steve Bond, Lynn Phillips, Marvin McCallister, Ellen Simmons, Steve Ball, Davina Sipes, Mary Oney, Megan Sherlund, Bob James and Julie Moffit.

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

The minutes from the August 26, 2019 regular council meeting were then presented for approval. Curtis made a motion to approve the minutes. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin asked for any public questions or statements.

Julie Moffit rose and stated she was with Community Life Innovation (CLI). CLI had done a presentation back in July to propose partnering with the Village of New London to be able to use the Community Center and she would also like to ask to partner with the recreation park to use the Hileman Building in case the Community Center is occupied.

Mayor John Martin asked Julie Moffit if there was anything else that CLI would need that the Community Center doesn't offer.

Julie Moffit responded by saying the stoves and the microwave were things they needed to cook or heat up meals for their clients.

John Martin wanted to verify who the clients were.

Julie Moffit stated the clients were the former Christie Lane individuals. She then asked council if they had any questions for her.

Bill Curtis asked Julie Moffit if they were requesting to use the buildings mostly during the daytime hours.

Julie Moffit replied that yes they usually get to the park or reservoir around 10. They have been helping Megan Sherlund. They are then done by 2 or 3 p.m.

Bill Curtis asked if it would just be during the week.

Julie Moffit stated that was correct. They do Meals on Wheels at Windy Acres at 11 a.m. and sometimes they have things going on so they don't stay there. They usually just drop off the meals and leave. They usually have been having cold lunches at the park. Now that winter is coming, they won't be able to do that.

Bill Curtis thought they were requesting to use the buildings during a time when they aren't usually being used. He then asked Julie Moffit if they would be cleaning up each day when they were done using the building.

Julie Moffit stated that yes they would and on the upcoming Monday they were going to start cleaning the Hileman Building to help Megan Sherlund.

Stuart Cooke asked how many times did she anticipate they would need to use the buildings throughout the summer.

Julie Moffit stated that during the summer they were outside but once colder weather arrived, they would need to use one of the buildings every day. Julie Moffit continued by saying the way the program works; they can't stay in one place more than two hours at a time. They have to move them.

Stuart Cooke replied that the buildings weren't usually rented out at the time they were requesting to use them so he didn't see a problem with it.

Julie Moffit continued by saying that was why they wanted to give back to the parks by helping Megan Sherlund. She added that one of their fundraisers is making homemade soaps. That's how they make money so they would be making soap in the buildings they used. It requires the use of crock pots.

Council didn't see a problem with them using the building and decided to bring it back up during New Business.

Julie Moffit thanked council for their consideration.

John Martin asked if there were any other questions or comments.

Ellen Simmons stated Hometown Holidays would be Saturday, December 7, 2019. They have the kid's tickets for sale at Gilbert Hardware. The Community Club will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 9 a.m. at the Wildcat Diner. The Community Club meets every month. It is usually the third Tuesday of each month unless there is something going on that day. The topic will be Hometown Holidays. Ellen Simmons concluded by saying thank you.

John Martin asked if there were any other questions or comments. 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. Crews are still working on finishing the new clear wells, crews are working on the wiring of the new clear wells into our controls.
- Water Tower – communication project, electric was installed this week to the new building. Fence around the tower is complete.
- GIS Project – project continues.

Wastewater

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Project – USDA-RD application has been completed and submitted, the project is now under review. We should be receiving an offer soon.

Storm Sewers

- East Hooker & East Washburn – catch basin has been set. Crew will begin installing new tiles as weather permits and other projects allows.

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 – the streets have been completed. The parking lot was scheduled for this week; it looks like this is not going to happen. The contractor is supposed to give me an updated schedule later this week. They are hoping to complete the lot in 1 day.
- We are out to bid for Prospect/Euclid/Miner Road repaving. Bid opening will be September 20, 2019 at 10:00 am.

Other

- Terry Wilson Memorial Deck – Engineering is getting close to being completed. The insurance company is wanting this project to get moving. I talked with Paul Prete last week and he is hoping to have something for us by the end of this week.
- Labor Day – we want to thank everyone who volunteered their time for the Labor Day Firelands Festival, those that worked the gates to those who ran events. Without these volunteers this would not be possible. I would like to thank the Rec. Committee and Village employees for all their hard work getting ready and managing this event. I want to thank Nancy, Michelle and Lucinda for everything they do in the office and at the Depot, before, during and after this event. We want to thank Chris Rowland and crew for all their hard work and time they have put in working on the demo pit and track, and just making our parks better. We want to thank Steven Fawcett and the New London Little League volunteers for running the fry stand. Thank you, Terry Granneman and crew for the awesome fireworks show to end the weekend. I am sure I missed someone, and I apologize.
- A Park Board Meeting this week will be Wednesday, at 6:00 pm in the Rec. Park.
- Country Roads Concert is this Saturday, September 14, 2019. Music starts at 3:00 pm.

John Martin asked if there were any questions for Shawn Pickworth.

Steve Ball stated he wanted to publicly thank Shawn Pickworth. Shawn had pretty much thanked everybody else but he worked tirelessly throughout the entire weekend. Labor Day would not have been possible without him.

Mayor John Martin thanked Steve Ball for his comment.

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 absent.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Ambulance. Bill Curtis stated the first thing he wanted to mention was that the ambulance had received a grant from the State of Ohio for \$38,000. The grant is going to be used to buy a new monitor which will definitely save lives in the community. The state came in the previous Thursday and they had a lot of good things to say about the ambulance service. New London is very fortunate to have the ambulance service they have and to have it run the way it is. The other thing he had was August was a record breaking month. They had an all-time high of 73 runs. That is the most they have ever had. Out of those runs, 35 were Basic Life Support and 38 of them were Advanced Life Support. There were 17 traffic accidents. There was only one overdose. He wanted to recognize the ambulance service for doing an amazing job. Bill Curtis then shared a separate report just for the Friday, Saturday and Sunday of Labor Day. During that weekend alone, they had 19 runs with most of them being at the park. At times they had three squads running at once. He commended the EMTs for working very hard over the weekend and they donated their time to be at the park. They only get paid when they get a call.

John Martin then asked for a report from Zoning. Bob James stated he had nothing at that time.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Recreation Department. Megan Sherlund started by saying in the little less than a month that she had been working for the village, she had been working tirelessly on Labor Day. Now that Labor Day is complete, she is looking forward to 2020. She and the recreation staff met and she then presented the following report.

During the last few weeks my team and I have been reviewing costs for operating the Reservoir and Recreation park and have determined a few changes would be appropriate. These price increases would cover costs for remodeling bathroom and shower house facilities, upgrading some deteriorating infrastructure, as well as additional Village sponsored events at both the Recreation Park and the Reservoir.

Changes for Reservoir and Recreation Park charges for 2020:

1. Seasonal Campsites
 - a. Full Service - \$2,000
 - b. Water & Electric - \$1,900
1. Cabin Rentals (2-night minimum) \$125, 50% deposit required at reservation
2. Primitive Camping \$25, 50% deposit required at reservation
3. Water & Electric Camping \$35, 50% deposit required at reservation
4. Full Service \$45, 50% deposit required at reservation
5. Special events
 - a. Primitive - \$40 (2 wrist bands), 50% deposit required at reservation
 - b. Water & Electric - \$50 (2 wrist bands), 50% deposit required at reservation
 - c. Full Service - \$60 (2 wrist bands), 50% deposit required at reservation
1. Holidays: Memorial Day, 4th of July, & Labor Day
 - a. Primitive - \$35, 50% deposit required at reservation

- b. Water & Electric - \$45, 50% deposit required at reservation
- c. Full Service - \$55, 50% deposit required at reservation
 - 1. 53 Water & Electric Sites
 - 2. 56 Full Service Sites
 - 3. 14 Primitive Sites
 - 4. Proposed Reservoir events (help from Rec Committee)
 - a. June - Movie night with screen and small vendors, End of School
 - b. July - Christmas in July with Santa
 - c. August - Kids Game Day, Back to School
 - d. September - Touch a Truck
 - e. October - Trick or Treating, Costume Contest, Decorating Contest

These cost increases for seasonal camping alone will increase the revenue for the Parks by at least \$18,000 this will allow for the proposed upgrades and increased activities throughout the reservoir.

***Put amount of camping sites on website including seasonal, update number on waiting list.

Megan Sherlund concluded by saying the Country Music Fest was the upcoming weekend. The reservoir campground was completely booked up with a waiting list. Also, she wanted to let everyone know the Gun Raffle would be on November 16th. Tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50 and are available at several locations in town and can be purchased from any park board member.

John Martin asked if there were any questions for Megan Sherlund. There were none.

John Martin presented Ordinance 2019-16 An Ordinance to Amend Section 955.03 of the Codified Ordinances Relative to the New London Recreation Committee. Third Reading. Myers made a motion to approve the third reading. Ball seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin presented Ordinance 2019-18 An Ordinance Amending Section 1118.13(A) of the Codified Ordinances, to Regulate Office Building Parking Spaces, and Declaring an Emergency. Third Reading. Curtis made a motion to table Ordinance 2019-18 until after the public hearing on September 23rd. Cooke seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin presented Ordinance 2019-21 An Ordinance Amending the Codified Ordinances, Relative to Signs within the Right of Way. Second Reading. Myers made a motion to table Ordinance 2019-21 until after the appropriated public hearings. 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.

Stuart Cooke made a motion to allow Julie Moffit and the CLI program clients to use either the Community Center or Hileman Building during the day when the buildings aren't already being rented out. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call: Curtis, Yes; Ball, Yes; Cooke, Yes, Myers, Yes.

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

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

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

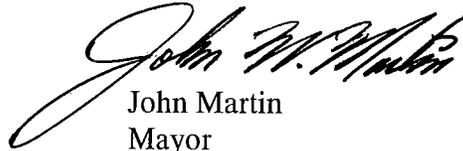
Mayor John Martin asked if anyone had anything else to be brought before council before they adjourned.

There was nothing.

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



Nancy Howell
Fiscal Officer



John Martin
Mayor