

Metamora Council met in regular session Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present; John Hudik, Andrew Carr, Suzie Stough, Justin Kreischer and council pres. Karon Lane. Richard Sauerlender absent.

Other officials present: Mayor Ken Wysong, Village Solicitor Alan Lehenbauer and Deputy Clerk Angie Smith.

Guest: Justin Simon

Mayor Wysong opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

Guest - Justin Simon – Justin spoke about the drainage tile for the newly purchased 5 acres in the park and the fact that it takes a while for the dirt to settle after tiling. Highly recommends waiting for the dirt to settle. Eventually most of the property will be planted to grass. Justin could put a crop of beans on the property if it is tiled within the coming week. Then in the fall he would plant wheat. The following July, 2017, when the wheat is harvested, he could plant the grass as the dirt would be mostly settled then. Justin works for Berkey Farm Center and has the equipment available to prepare the ground for grass and the planting. It was decided to let Justin plant wheat in the fall of 2016 after the 5 acres have been tiled. In the fall of 2017 he would seed the property with grass. Further development could be done in 2018. The property could be used for Park-O-Rama parking in the meantime. The Village would pay for the grass and fertilizer. No charge to the village for equipment or labor. All council voted to approve the above plan.

Minutes – Justin Kreischer moved to accept May 16th council minutes as written. Second of motion by Suzie Stough and approved by all council.

Bills- presented for payment

Bills previously paid:		
Steve Brown	Wages 5/12 - 5/25	45.00
Angie Smith	Wages 5/12 - 5/25	450.50
Tom Bivins	Wages 5/12 - 5/25	201.50
Chip Vance	Wages 5/12 - 5/25 + Sewer Stipend	2,188.28
Bills to be paid:		
Habitect Security	Monitoring & Maintenance	204.27
Toledo Edison	Village Electric Use	1,555.32
Trish Gleckler	May's Office Cleaning fee	40.00
OPWC	Semi-annual loan payments	7,329.53
InstaCopy	Village Letterhead & Envelopes	105.60
Mike's Repair	(2) New Tires for J.D. Tractor	222.00
Petty Cash	Postage, small tools, volunteer lunches, supplies	81.20
Treas. Fulton Co.	Police protection for June	425.00
VISA	Sewer DVS's, pesticide license, steel for bases	417.31
SHOP Marketplace	Chip & Family Health Insurance	1,529.07
EFTPS	Village Match for Medicare & Social Security	181.45
OPERS	Village Match for OPERS	1,070.36
WEX Bank	Gas for mower, truck & other equipment	214.57
Tri-County Fuels	Diesel fuel	38.73
		13,414.41

Justin Kreischer moved to pay bills. Second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council.

Solicitor's report – Alan reported that Swanton, Delta and Archbold are doing boundary conformity with the townships. The township boundaries sometimes overlap into the villages. They are working on creating ordinances to present to the Commissioner so township residents would be excluded from the village taxes. The Village of Metamora and Amboy Township have a good relationship and council did not see a need to pursue similar boundary conformity.

Alan has recommended against boating and swimming at the reservoir for liability reasons. We need to ensure there are signs at the reservoir stating no boating or swimming.

Old Business – None

New Business – Health Span is being bought out by Medical Mutual effective on September 1, 2016. The insurance coverage and cost will remain the same for now. There could be changes in the future.

Fiscal Officer's Report –

- No burning info – Gary Loar sent information on the EPA rules on burning. Ken Wysong spoke to the EPA and the results are no burning. Residential cooking fires are allowed, but the village will no longer be able to burn the branches and brushes picked up in the village. We have a large pile of brush at the reservoir now. Chip is now taking newly picked up brush to Lammon Brothers in Delta for disposal. The village may need to look into buying a chipper in the future. We could also rent a chipper or hire someone to pick it up and haul it away. Let the pile at the reservoir go for now.
- Grass clipping disposal – The village will no longer be picking up the residential grass clippings. Swanton and Lyons do not pick up grass clippings. We need to announce it on the website, Facebook, newsletter and ask Chip to spread the word.
- Increased cost to park tiling project. The original quotes for tiling the 5 acres have substantially changed. Midwest Drainage quoted \$3915 but has since sold the business. It is now Gross Drainage and the quote is \$10,795.80, due to piping costs overlooked in the original quote from Midwest. The quote from Steve Schmidt is now \$13,204. Council would like to see a couple of more quotes. Tiling is necessary for the improvement of the property. Ken will get a couple more quotes. There is \$6,884.90 in Land & Buildings Capital Improvement now so additional funds would be needed for the tiling. Justin Kreischer motioned to move \$5,000 from the General Fund to L&B Capital Improvement (A1-7-E-251) to cover the cost of tiling the new 5 acres. Second of motion by Andrew Carr. Roll call taken:

John Hudik	Yes
Andrew Carr	Yes
Suzie Stough	Yes
Justin Kreischer	Yes
Karon Lane	Yes

Justin Kreischer motioned to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$10,800 for the tiling of the 5 acres. Second of motion by Suzie Stough and approved by all council. Targeting to have the tiling completed by July 4th. Ken will call Gross Drainage tomorrow to see if a better price can be negotiated and will also try for a couple more bids.

- There is a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Nexus Gas Transmission and Texas Eastern Appalachian Lease Project in each for council folder.
- Jones & Henry Engineers. Per Gregg Simon, the contract did not include analysis of data training. The letter of 6/9/16 does state “.....and train Village personnel to

collect the data and relocate the probes as necessary” for the cost of \$1,250. Ken will call Gregg tomorrow.

- Park incident report – In Park concession Stand B, Kids stole toilet paper and ripped the paper holder off the wall in the process. Chip reviewed the tape and it appears it was 4 kids, 1 with orange shirt. It occurred between 11:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., Friday, May 27th.
- A speed complaint on Fulton Street – A resident called and is concerned about the speed of some cars on the street. Requested signs are put up to slow them down. There are already signs for 15 MPH on both ends of the street. Call the resident back with the current sign information and let them know to call the Fulton County Sheriff to report the concern if it continues.
- CDBG income survey incomplete. Not all residents responded even with 4 attempts with those who did not respond. The deadline has now passed.
- BZA – Approved variance for the Library.

Mayor’s report –

- Swanton is hiring a zoning inspector for about 3 days a week at \$15.00 per hour. It may be possible to re-write the job description to fit Metamora needs better and check with their person. Ken will check with Swanton. The candidate would need to meet with Personnel & Finance.
- Chip had to work on a Sunday because of a mower emergency at the reservoir. 2 hours overtime 1 week and 13.5 hours overtime in the next week. Ken requested Tom Bivins let people know if he is working on the weekend. Karon had spoken to Tom and expressed the desire for him to work whenever he could. Tom did start working regular hours on 6/1/16. Dan Miller has mowed the park a couple of times as a volunteer.
- Concrete grinding of sidewalks still needs to be addressed. Need to check for quotes.
- The resident inquiring on zoning issues has been replied to via email.

Adjournment – Justin Kreischer moved to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Second by John Hudik and approved by all council.

Mayor – Kenneth Wysong

Deputy Clerk –Angie Smith