

**Metamora Village Council** met in regular session Monday, July 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

**Council Members Present;** John Hudik, Andrew Carr, Suzie Stough, Justin Kreischer, Richard Sauerlender and Council President Karon Lane.

Other officials present: Mayor Ken Wysong and Fiscal Officer Susan Clendenin.

**Guest:** Ziad Musallam, Fulton County Sanitary Engineer

Mayor Wysong opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guest - Ziad Musallam** – Here to explain the Addendums to the Water Service Agreement between Fulton County and the Village of Metamora. A new contract has been negotiated between the City of Toledo and Fulton County. The Fulton County Water Advisory Board made up of representative of local communities met on June 22. They reviewed the water rate based on the reduced rate of the water being purchased from Toledo. It was decided to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners to reduce the retail rate of water being sold to Northeast Water System from \$10.61 to \$9.32 per thousand. Rates reduced as of May 1, 2016. Ziad sent the minutes of the meeting to Mayor Wysong. He will forward a copy to the office. The cost of \$9.32 consists of the debt service, cost of purchasing the water and the operations maintenance and replacement cost. AI did not tap into Northeast Water System (NEWS) and still don't want to tap in. EPA not mandating they terminate their own system. In 2009 the county and the village entered into an agreement for the County to sell water in Metamora as a part of NEWS. The new contract between the County and Toledo is for 20 years starting in March 15, 2016. It will lock the rate at the declined block rate for the county. The new agreement with Toledo also has no minimum usage. An alternative water source could be utilized if one was found. The County could get water from Archbold for less, but building the infrastructure to North Star would cost at least \$22 million. North Star has met their obligation to the State, County and School District to create and maintain employment for 15 years. They could leave at any time. The County asked if they would commit to another 20 years and North Star declined. If North Star would to leave the county would not have the income to pay for the \$22 million debt. Our solicitor, Alan Lehenbauer, has reviewed the contract between the county and the village and emailed his input. Suggesting a change to Part III, Item 4, which is the term of the agreement. Ziad will email the village and copy in Alan about any amendment. The County recently sent out the 2015 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) as required by the Ohio EPA. The results were good and met all the EPA Standards. The lead and copper for the Northeast Water District is below any action level. Hydrant flushing is done annually. It is planned for Metamora in September or October. An insert will be mailed with the water bill to let residents know when the hydrant flushing will occur. They will notify Chip when flushing in case he needs water for any projects.

**Minutes** – Suzie Stough moved to accept June 27th council minutes as written. Second of motion by Justin Kreisler and approved by all council.

**Bills-** presented for payment:

<b>Bills to be paid:</b>		
EFTPS	June Village Match for Medicare & Social Security	148.19
OPERS	Village match for June	1,133.24
WEX Bank	Gas for mowers, truck, equipment	232.16
SHOP Marketplace	Medical Insurance for Chip & Family	1,529.07
Tom Bivins	Wages 6/23 - 7/6	910.00
Steve Brown	Wages 6/23 - 7/6	90.00
Angie Smith	Wages 6/23 - 7/6	671.50
Chip Vance	Wages 6/23 - 7/6	1,465.60
Evergreen Community News	Park-O-Rama Ad	120.00
Mike Anderzack	Clear tree row in park	4,200.00
Luckey Farmers	Field Marker	37.50
Fessenden Hardware	Garage Sale Signs	17.58
Fresh Cut Lawn Service	Village Mosquito Spray - 2X	300.30
Fulton Cnty Commissioners	Water Service	247.26
Lowe's	Park: Toilet, fountain parts, oven cleaner	219.82
Treasurer Fulton County	Police Protection for July	425.00
Treasurer State of Ohio	Permit Fee for Solar Bee	232.50
Cintas	Chip's Uniforms	46.46
Tri-County Fuels	Fuel for truck, mower & backhoe	213.32
		8,983.52

The check for clearing the tree row in the park was originally made out to Anderzack-Pitzen. That check was voided and a new check made out to Mike Anderzack.

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

**Solicitor's Report** – Not present.

**Old Business** – John Hudik brought up the signs for no swimming or boats at the reservoir. Suggested no camping be added to the signs. There was discussion on what signs are already at the reservoir.....No Trespassing, Closed at Dusk, etc. We need to check on the signs to know exactly what is posted.

**New Business** – Karon Lane received a letter from TMCOC and forwarded to the office. Wanted to ensure all council was receiving it. Confirmed they are receiving the emails. TMCOC's 2016 Summer Caucuses and Forum with State Lawmakers event is Thursday, August 4, 8:30 a.m. to noon. It will be held at the Penta Career Center in Perrysburg. Rich Sauerlender will try to attend.

Justin requested to have the route for the 5K Run during Park-O-Rama. Ken said it is probably the same at last year, starting at the corner of Swanton & Main, down 64 to T, up to Parker, through town. Justin reported that the Boy Scouts are setting up for car races at 9:00 on Swanton Street. The 5K starts at 8:00/8:30 and they should be through Swanton Street before 9:00. It was noted that the Boy Scouts have not inquired with Council about using or closing Swanton Street.

Park-O-Rama – No beer at the Park-O-Rama this year. Decided a couple of months ago at the Park-O-Rama meeting. The cost for the license and insurance was too high.

### **Fiscal Officer's Report –**

- The County is having their Annual Auction. Do we want to sell the water pumps at the County Auction on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>? Possible resell value of the pumps is estimated at around \$300. We have called Wauseon and Swanton and they do not want the pumps. Decided against it for now. Land and Buildings Committee to determine next action for the pumps.
- Beth Thomas of the Fulton County Health Department is requesting permission to hang “Substance Abuse” banner on park fence. The banner is 3’ by 5’ and is to encourage conversations between parents/adults and youth on the dangers of substance use. Evidence has shown that kids whose parents or other adults speak with them on a regular basis demonstrate a decrease in substance use by 50%. Council approved hanging the banner in the park down Memorial Drive on the fence in the northwest corner.
- Propose once or twice a month curb side brush pick-up. It is currently being picked multiple times a week. Ken voiced that it use to be every Monday and that we should go back to every Monday. John recommending dumping the brush at the reservoir instead of making multiple trips to Lammon Brothers in Delta. It was decided that brush (branches, twigs) and compostable (grass, weeds) would be picked up every Monday and taken to the reservoir. It can be decided later what to do with the brush. This will save a lot of time in driving back & forth to Lammon Brothers in Delta.  
Estimates for disposing of the current pile of brush and grass at the reservoir were reviewed. Alternative Tree quote is \$1,850. Lammon Brothers quoted \$2,200. The Village of Swanton quoted \$100 per hour for a chipper and an operator. The Fire Department will consider burning it as a training exercise. Ken will instruct Chip to pick up the brush and grass on Mondays only and to stop taking loads to Lammon Brothers.
- Fiscal Officer on vacation July 12 – 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Requesting an Increase for A1-3-B-240 in the amount of \$240 for additional mulch for the village. Justin Kreischer motioned to increase A1-3-B-240 in the amount of \$240 for additional mulch. Second of motion by Rich Sauerlender and approved by all council.
- \$390 received from Easter Seals for the donations made by the residents after the Garage Sales.
- Charter Communications assuming the transactions of Time Warner Cable and will be using their new name “Spectrum”.

- Tom Carr suggested village put up signs in the park restricting dogs inside ball fields. A lot of dog feces being found inside the ball fields. All dogs should be on a lease. Order and put a sign up in the park and on Facebook stating “No Dogs inside the Ball Fields”.
- The Fiscal Officer and Kate Fischer of Metamora State Bank are still working on the refinancing of the USDA loans. We may be able to get \$350,000 of the existing loans refinanced with bonds which would be about 1% lower. Working on lower rates overall. Kate was given a copy of our latest audit and financial statements.

### **Mayor’s report –**

- Requesting Personnel & Finance and Land & Buildings Committees to do a 6 month review to see if we are where we should be mid-year. See if we are moving in the right direction, reaching goals, financially sound, etc. Critique the mayor’s performance.
- Ken attended the meeting of the North East Water District. He recommended to them they look at taking on a large project, such as a line from Archbold, in steps instead of all at once. Also brought up that we were overcharged in March and April for water. Charged at \$10.61 instead of the new rate of \$9.32. Jeff Pawlaczyk, the Village Administrator should be attending the meetings. He needs to be notified. The next meeting will probably be in the fall. The meetings are on usually on Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. Ken will go if needed. Check with Jeff about covering OUPS notices while Chip is out and about being the Water Advisory designee. We may need to re-evaluate the position if these tasks cannot be fulfilled.
- Ken talked to Gary Keys of Toledo Edison about the stake/rod under the sidewalk that caused the concrete to heave at 1187 Wildflower Dr. There was a lot of confusion on who was responsible for fixing it. It ended up being Toledo Edison’s stake/rod. The rod can be pulled out. Believe it should be pulled out by Edison. Ken will call Gary Keys to request the pin be pulled out. When the concrete is poured and the bill received, we’ll send it to Toledo Edison.
- Karon Lane expressed concern about the parking lot islands. Weeds are very tall. They were sprayed last week.
- The Library would like to have the park restrooms unlocked for their “Teddy Bear Walk” on August 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Approved by council.
- The next Park-O-Rama meeting is tomorrow, Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Office.
- The women’s restroom in the park needs regular cleaning and it doesn’t look like it has been being done. Hand towels need to be available in the concession stand so they can be refilled when needed. Should be checked daily. Ball games should be done on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Ken will let Chip know to lock the restroom doors when they leave for the day. A recommendation made to paint the restrooms and the cabinets from the water plant be moved to the Shelter A.
- Justin Kreisler will be out of town from July 17<sup>th</sup> through July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Adjournment** – Justin Kreischer moved to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Second by Andrew Carr and approved by all council.

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Mayor – Kenneth Wysong

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VFO – Susan Clendenin