

Council met in regular session Monday, July 24, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. at the village office. Council present Karon Lane-pres., John Hudik, John Pupos, Richard Sauerlender and Suzie Stough, with Justin Kreischer absent.

Others present: Mayor Ken Wysong, Chip Vance Street Superintendent and Sue Clendenin VFO.

**Guests** – none

Mayor Wysong opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes** – John Pupos moved to approve minutes of July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 council meeting as written.

Second of motion by Rich Sauerlender and approved by all council.

<b>Bill read for approval:</b>		
<b>Bills Already Paid</b>		
Char Lee, Fulton County Treas	Property Taxes for 2nd half of 2016	443.22
Nora Komon	Shelter Rental Refund	25.00
Tracy Finney	Shelter Rental Refund	75.00
<b>Bills to be paid:</b>		
Sue Clendenin	July Salary	2,279.54
Jeff Pawlaczyk	July Salary	105.00
Angie Smith	Wages 7/6 - 7/19	515.10
Chip Vance	Wages 7/6 - 7/19	1,905.90
Ken Wysong	July Salary	350.00
Justin Kreischer	July Salary	104.17
Suzie Stough	July Salary	104.17
Jamie VanAlstine	Wages 7/6 - 7/19	753.50
Fastenal	Bolts for park repairs	6.88
Habitec Security	Park Communication Service 8/18 – 11/17	85.26
Jones & Henry	Sewer Sample Analysis	15.00
Occuhealth	Employee Drug Test	43.00
Ohio Gas Company	Heat	12.37
Century Link	Village Phone & Fax	244.93
J. D. Financial	Oil and parts to repair backhoe	101.69

Rich Sauerlender moved to approve paying bills. Second of motion by Suzie Stough, and approved by all council. The solicitor’s office recently filed property tax exemption forms on the five acres purchased last year abutting the village park. Village will receive tax refund following approval of exemption.

**Lands & Buildings Committee report** – Chairman John Pupos gave a brief overview of their meeting. He and Richard Sauerlender will meet with Chip this week to go over security codes and locations of lock boxes; so they are able to take care of after hour alarm drops. Ohio Rural Water rep Shawn Dobson met with Sue & Chip this week to discuss helping the village smoke test. They will perform the smoke testing as a training program which will provide 6 continuing education credits that can be used towards recertification of sewer licensure. Neighboring operators will be invited. Cost will be minimal to the village, just cost of liquid smoke. Council approved renewing membership with Ohio Rural Water Association.

Several cement blocks in Shelter “C” are in need of repair. Council agreed to hire a local mason for \$600 to do repairs; with Village providing materials. Funds have been appropriated to replace the sewer line on Oak Street but the project is on hold until after Park-O-Rama. Would like to somehow run electric to batting cage. Playground equipment in park is outdated, over twenty year’s old and showing signs of foundation settling. The committee will look into grants and use moneys donated to the village by the former Park-O-Rama committee to purchase new equipment. Seasonal

employee busy sprucing up the park for Park-O-Rama; painting shelters, restrooms and picnic tables, etc.

Reviewed road repair quote from J.B. Pavement Repair and Rentals, LLC. After discussion, it was decided to award the contract to Premier Patching Inc. at a cost of \$10,405.00. Rich Sauerlender made a motion to hire Premier Patching, Inc. Second of motion by Suzie Stough and approved by all council. Chip was asked to temporarily fill pothole on Swanton Street if Premier hasn't repaired it before the boy-scout soap box derby, August 26<sup>th</sup>. Chip will paint street crossings after road work is completed. Paint already purchased. APC will let village know when equipment is in town to grade reservoir drive. Still discussing best option to dispose of brush pile at reservoir. Kevin Shull too busy to cut grass at reservoir. Chip will mow down grass using sickle bar. Sickle bar parked behind the old lawn mower that council wanted sent to the county auction. Brakes are seized up old mower and Chip unable to move it to get to the sickle bar. L&B recommend scraping the mower; it's not in good enough condition to auction. Council approved scraping mower. Gary Truckor may be willing to mow the reservoir with his bush hog. Chip will talk to Gary. Chip suggested sewer projects and leaf pick-up are two-man jobs.

#### **Personnel & Finance –**

Reviewed and approved financial records for June. The office was recently notified the state will be conducting 2015 and 2016 audit in the near future. Karon Lane turned in an insurance quote from Westchester for liquor liability coverage for the Park-O-Rama event. For a two million dollar limit the price is \$254.75. John Pupos moved to accept the quote from Westchester for \$254.75, for two million dollars of liability coverage for Park-O-Rama. Second of motion by Suzie Stough and approved by all council. P&F recommend Jamie unlock park bathrooms in the morning instead of Chip. Chip said she already doing so. Also noted on Chip's time sheet was a one-hour charge to put up the volleyball net on a Saturday. Chip said he did put down a 2-hour call-in that morning because it was necessary to begin discharging. After discharging, he remembered Sue had asked him to put up the volley ball net for a rental party so he went and put it up and included the time on the two hour call-in. He would have been paid 2-hours anyways for the call-in charge to discharge.

#### **Street Superintendent –**

In June 10, 2017 council minutes it stated "Chip was adamant about sitting in on recent interviews for the hiring of a part-time employee," Chip doesn't like the way that sounds. Karon Lane said she didn't say he was adamant. While talking with Karon about the interviews Chip felt Karon had invited him to attend but he must flex time spent at the interviews. He said he was not adamant about attending, not sure where that came from. Karon said she told Chip that if he wanted to come he could but would have to flex time spent at the interview. She didn't see that as an invitation but rather a choice. The only reason he came was he felt he was invited, and he appreciated the invitation. Karon reiterated she didn't feel she had invited him but rather he could come if he wanted. Chip got busy and didn't flex his time until last Wednesday. The mayor and council president approved Chip flexing the ½ hour. Chip would like the phrase "He was adamant about attending" taken out of July 10<sup>th</sup> council minutes. Karon said it probably could be. The clerk said it was not Karon but another council member that said Chip appeared to be adamant about attending the interviews. Chip said the invitation from Karon came during a private conversation so he is not sure how others could say he was adamant on attending.

John Pupos spoke to Tri-Angular Processing about the sorting of recyclables at our center and was told only paper, cardboard, glass, plastic and cans need to be separated. New signage to be put up.

**Fiscal Officer's report –** Shawn Dobson from Ohio Rural Water would like to meet with council to discuss ways their organization can help the village with sewer issues; including smoking and using their camera to help locate areas of concern. Maumee Valley Planning informed the village that our

CDBG project was chosen by the commissioners as an alternate project if one isn't approved by the state. Received complaint on tall grass and rough driveway at the reservoir. Next Park-O-Rama meeting scheduled Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the village office. An "F" permit has been received from the state allowing us to sell beer and wine coolers during Park-O-Rama.

**Mayor's report** – Lands & Buildings discussed whether it's the village's responsibility or the homeowner to trap raccoons and other varmints on private property. Chip's time sheet showed 8 hours worked on weekends unloading traps on private property. L&B agreed it is the homeowner's responsibility to trap unwanted varmints on their property. We need to look into reasons we have so many coons this year. To date, Chip said he has trapped 19 raccoons, most from one location. Council would like the zoning inspector to check into nuisance and maintenance code violations that may be causing the increase in population. Karon said we need to make residents aware of the new policy because the village has for some time now trapped and removed unwanted varmints on private property. John Hudik asked will the village trap raccoons if they are coming up out of the creek into private property. The mayor said we will still trap in those situations. Hudik said how will that be determined? Lane said raccoons roaming into her yard have been seen coming out of the sewer drain in front of her house. Mayor Wysong said residents will be allowed to use village traps if needed.

Sheriff's report for June. Deputy's spent 45.25 hours patrolling the village. 21.5 on morning shift, 13 hours afternoon, and 10.75 on the midnight shift, which includes one-half hour of bicycle patrol. During the month officer's handled 8 complaints, issued 1 warning and 1 citation.

Mayor Wysong spoke to Commissioner Rufenacht in regards to our disappointment in not receiving commissioner's approval for funding of our CDBG project; which was to help fund the repaving and widening of Fulton Street. All applications submitted were approved except Metamora. We would like to know why. Commissioner Rufenacht said Metamora was not represented at the second public hearing; all other applicants were there promoting their projects. Mayor Wysong said we didn't realize representation was mandatory especially when supporting documentation had been included in the application. Commissioner Rufenacht said the commissioners didn't feel Metamora's road project was as necessarily needed as much as the others. He went on to say the commissioners did a site visit and found minimal traffic on Fulton Street during the day, with just three cars noted. Metamora has received CDGB funding frequently and Archbold hasn't received funding in a long time, so they were approved.

All applications approved for funding by the commissioners with exception of Metamora's street project are as follows: \$30,000 for Fayette's water tower recoat, \$24,100 for Fayette's ball park fence replacement, \$84,000 for Chesterfield TWP's road widening, \$37,500 for Swanton's Memorial park pavilion renovation, \$50,000 for Archbold's sidewalks and \$56,400 for Maumee Valley Planning administration and fair housing expenses. The clerk stated to the best of her knowledge the last CDBG award Metamora was given was in 2009 for funding assistance with new park building.

**Adjournment** – John Pupos moved to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Second of motion by Suzie Stough and approved by all council.