

Metamora Village Council met in regular session on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Village Office along with Zoom.

Council present: Karon Lane- council pres., Karen Noward, Cindi Pawlaczyk, John Pupos with Cathy Mossing via Zoom. John Hudik absent

Other officials present: Mayor Richard Sauerlender, VFO Susan Clendenin, Village Employee Steve Venia

Guests- Becky Thatcher and Deputy Buehrer.

Deputy Buehrer was given the floor. He was present to take any questions, comments, concerns or issues council would like the Sheriff to address. Provided July's police report. Areas outside of the village have been experiencing a rash of break-ins in this area of the county. Warned people to keep yards well light, out-buildings locked, keys removed from vehicles and property secured. Not seeing forced entries but rather taking what they want from unlocked areas. Citizens are urged to report suspicious activity to the sheriff's department.

Becky Thatcher was given the floor- Ms. Thatcher presented herself as a nonpartisan candidate running for Fulton County Commissioner this fall. Hopefully, she will be elected to fill the current position of retiring commissioner Bill Reufenault. Ms. Thatcher provided a brief bio on herself, along with her intentions following nomination.

Minutes- John Pupos moved to approve August 3, 2020 council minutes as written. Second of motion by Karen Noward and approved by all council.

Bills –

DATE	CHECK#	Payroll Payments	August 17, 2020	
8/18/2020	24375	Karen Noward	August-Council Pay	150.00
8/18/2020	24376	Sue Clendenin	Wages 7/30 - 8/12	825.00
8/18/2020	24377	Jeff Pawlaczyk	August -Admin & Zoning Pay	150.00
8/18/2020	24378	Steve Venia	Wages 7/2 - 7/15	1,600.00
8/18/2020	24379	Rick Meiring	August Sewer Wages	550.00
8/18/2020	24380	Tiffany Venia	Wages 7/2 - 7/15	528.00
8/18/2020	24381	Richard Sauerlender	July Mayor Pay	350.00
8/18/2020	24382	Cathy Mossing	August-Council Pay	150.00
8/18/2020	24383	Cindi Pawlaczyk	August-Council Pay	150.00
		Vendor Payments:		
		EFT Payments		
		OPERS	Village contribution	1,488.55
		EFTPS	Village share for Soc Sec & Medicare	139.21
		CHECKS:		
8/18/2020	24384	Ron Reckner	Office windows & installation	900.00
8/18/2020	24385	Fresh Cut Lawn Service	Mosquito Spraying	324.94
8/18/2020	24386	Lowe's	Supplies for Park, Land & Buildings & Street & Small Tools	325.24

8/18/2020	24387	Matt Vaculik	Charcoal & Sauce for BBQ Chicken	535.00
8/18/2020	24388	Post Office	Postage - 3 rolls	165.00
8/18/2020	24389	Ohio Gas	Gas Utility	20.72
8/18/2020	24390	Poggemeyer	Engineer fees for Fulton St	250.00
8/18/2020	24391	Root Wrestler	Sewer line clean-out at 123 E. Main	235.00
8/18/2020	24392	St Mary's Locker	500 Chicken Halves	975.00
8/18/2020	24393	Sam's Club	Banners, Zoom subscription, phone case, fuel, supplies, sewer repair parts	419.98
8/18/2020	24394	Tri-County Fuels	Diesel Fuel	116.69
8/18/2020	24395	Century Link	Phone & Fax	274.02
8/18/2020	24396	Verizon	Employee Cell Phone	60.50

John Pupos moved to pay the bills as presented, second of motion by Karen Noward and approved by all council.

Personnel & Finance Report- Updates to the Employee handbook have been completed and provided to the solicitor for review. Going to look over VFO applications and begin interviews.

Lands & Buildings Report-With the success of the August 8th chicken barbeque, Matt Vaculik offered to do another BBQ for the village. Ask Matt for dates that work for him along with his grilling crew. Council agreed to hold another barbeque. Date to be determined after we talk to Matt. John Pupos informed council of the recent water line break in front of the Country Charm, causing water to get in the village office basement. Sue getting cost to clean basement. Recommend increasing hourly rate by \$5 to pick up leaves in Assumption, taking it to \$100 an hour. Will help offset costs of fuel, employee wages and maintenance of leaf vac. We need to purchase a \$500 leaf vac hose, current one torn and splitting. Leaf pick will begin Monday, November 2 through November 30, additional pick- ups if needed. Final branch pick will be on Monday, October 26. This information will be in the Fall Newsletter due to mail out September 8th. Recommend keeping the part time employee until the end of leaf pick-up. Dumpster enclosure and fencing will be painted after treated lumber dries and is sanded. Steve will also install rollers on enclosure gates.

In light of the recent email from Amanda Kovach with Partners for Clean Streams, John Pupos moved to enter into executive session to discuss possible real estate purchase. Second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council. John Pupos moved to exit executive session. Second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council. Agreed to pursue village interest in land purchase as recommended by the Partnership for Clean Streams.

Trick-or-Treating- L&B suggested leaving it up to homeowners and parents if they participate. Trick-or-Treating in the village will be held Saturday, October 31st, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Village will not sponsor the annual Children's' Halloween Party at the Fire Station this year, due to COVID restrictions. Council agreed. In regard to the Holiday Parade, council will leave it tentatively scheduled for December 6, unless Governor's mandate restricts the village from sponsoring it.

New Business – Reviewed two park shelter rental waivers. Karon Lane moved to waive the shelter fees for both the Boy Scout Pac 239 scouting event and for the Metamora Alumni luncheon. Second of motion by Karen Noward and approved by all council. Karen Noward suggested offering to have the village chip the brush on John Sanderson for \$50 an hour. She and others are tired of looking at the brush piles and want them gone before winter. Sue will present offer to Sanderson. Karen Noward would like to see something done about cars in the village without current plates and some without any plates. The mayor said it is a zoning issue and to inform the zoning Inspector. The office is in the process of towing abandoned and inoperable vehicles from the village parking lot off Maple Street.

Fiscal Officer's Report- Presented the financial report on the August 8th., Chicken BBQ a profit of \$1,792 was recorded.

VFO requested the following 2020 appropriation amendment:

Increase E2-5-C-239 Contractual Sewer Repair by \$2,000, covering anticipated costs to video the sewer interceptor. Karon Lane moved to approve the VFO's requested increase. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

Mayor's Report – Read the Sheriff's report for July.

Due to Labor Day falling on the first Monday of the month, the next regular session of council will be held Wednesday, September 9th, at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment- John Pupos moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Second of motion by Karen Noward and approved by all council

Mayor- Richard Sauerlender

VFO – Susan Clendenin