

Metamora Village Council met in regular session on Monday, January 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present: President Karon Lane, Cindi Pawlaczyk, Karen Noward, John Hudik, John Pupos and Cathy Mossing

Other officials present: Mayor Richard Sauerlender, VFO Heather Lumbrezer, Village Administrator/Zoning Inspector Jeff Pawlaczyk.

Swearing in of the newly elected council members Cathy Mossing, Karen Noward, Cindi Pawlaczyk and John Pupos. Their term ends December 31, 2025.

**Mayor Sauerlender opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Karon Lane was elected as Village Council President for the year of 2022.

**Minutes** –Cathy Mossing motioned to approve the December 20, 2021 and December 27, 2021 meetings minutes as written. Seconded by John Hudik and approved by council.

**Reading of the Bills-**

DATE	CHECK#	PAYROLL PAYMENTS		
1/4/2022	25036	Heather Lumbrezer	Bi weekly payroll 12/16-12/29	828.39
1/4/2022	25037	Steve Venia	Bi weekly payroll 12/16-12/29	1,271.33
1/4/2022	25038	Tiffany Venia	Bi weekly payroll 12/16-12/29	505.20
1/4/2022	25039	Deborah Lietzke	Bi weekly payroll 12/16-12/29	271.47
1/4/2022	25040	Steve Venia	Comp/sick payout thru 12/29/21	3,079.69
		<b>CHECKS:</b>		
1/10/2022	25041	Advanced Sanitation	January trash pickup	50.00
1/10/2022	25042	Fulton Co. Commissioners	NEWS - water bill	89.44
1/10/2022	25043	Mike's Repair	Plow, mower & trailer parts	53.50
1/10/2022	25044	Ohio Utilities- 811	2 manual call outs	8.00
1/10/2022	25045	Spectrum Enterprise	phones, internet and fax	169.96
1/10/2022	25046	Toledo Edison	monthly electric bill	1,432.86
			<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>7,759.84</b>

Karen Noward motioned to pay the bills as read. Seconded by John Pupos and approved by council.

**Solicitors Report** – Al Lehenbauer has resigned as Village Solicitor effective 1/10/2022. A recommendation to contact Kevin Whitlock from the law firm of Barber, Kaper, Stamm, McWatters, Whitlock and Maloney based in Wauseon was made.

Karon Lane motioned to contact Ken Whitlock about the Village Solicitor position. Seconded by Cathy Mossing and approved by council.

**Old Business** – The Mayor submitted names for the Planning Commission and Zoning Appeals Board. Planning Commission- Justin Kreischer, Cheryl Geer, Cathy Mossing, Mike Ehram and Rich Sauerlender. Zoning Appeals Board- Lynda Arquette, Rick Meiring, Nicki Loeffler, Karen Noward and Adam Vance. Bryce Young as the alternate for either committee. Cathy Mossing motioned to approve the selections for the Planning Commission and Zoning Appeals Board. Seconded by Karen Noward and approved by council.

Discussion about properties in the village that may need to be rezoned took place. Options are a conditional use permit (section 1157.07) or rezoning (section 1161) from residential to commercial. Will inform property owners on what to apply for to have their properties rezoned.

CT Consultants quoted us \$34,200.00 to map the sanitary sewer system digitally, perform investigative smoke test and make recommendation for future improvements. During extreme weather the village experiences Raised Hydraulic Grade Lines, the system's two pump stations run constantly and buildings within the village experience sanitary backup. Grant monies from the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$63,688.64 will be used for these improvements. Karen Noward motioned that we enter into contract with CT Consultants to do the smoke testing and digital mapping. Seconded by Karon Lane and approved by council.

**New Business** – Cathy Mossing motioned to have Pasternak's tree service remove a broken limb from a tree hanging over the new fence at the park. Seconded by Karen Noward and approved by council.

Cathy Mossing motioned to enter into contract with NOW Control, LLC for 8 applications for mosquito control this summer, and any additional applications as needed. Seconded by Karen Noward and approved by council.

The Fulton County Commissioner reached out to the office to see if there were any properties in the village that we would like to have demolished. A list of possible properties was submitted.

**Fiscal Report** –The warranty for the 2021 John Deere gator is expiring. Karon Lane motioned to purchase the comprehensive Powergard Protection Plan for \$611.00 to extend the warranty for two additional years, expiring in February 2024. Seconded by Cathy Mossing and approved by council.

The maintenance job has been posted in The Village Reporter, Fulton County Expositor, and the Ohio jobs means. The position will be advertised through the week of January 17<sup>th</sup>. Interviews to be scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>. We have received 2 resumes so far. Karen Noward and Cindi Pawlaczyk will abstain from interviewing due to a conflict of interest.

Fulton County Economic Development Director Matt Gilroy reached out to us about a company employing around 50 people that is looking into Metamora as a possible site. Concerns about the sanitary sewer systems capacity is in question. Council originally thought our sewer could not handle this but after talking to Wastewater Supervisor Rick Meiring he said that our lagoons are equipped to hold the extra usage needed by this company.

Will research hourly pay for snowplowing for the upcoming year.

Sidewalk repairs are on the 2022 “to do list”. We possibly can use some infrastructure grant money to do some of the repairs.

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 19, 2022.

**Adjournment**-Karen Noward motioned to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Seconded by John Pupos and approved by all council.

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**Mayor- Richard Sauerlender**

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**VFO – Heather Lumbrezer**