

October 24, 2016

Mayor Brett Essex called the meeting of Village Council to order on Monday, October 24, 2016 with all members present except Lyle.

Moved by Stevic second by Kerrigan that Council dispense with the reading of the September 15, 2016 minutes and approve as distributed. Motion carried.

Visitors: Megan Murray

REPORTS

Zoning Officer: Brent Gates gave the September monthly report.

- 1) Reported that there have been many illegal signs placed around town that have been removed.
- 2) Reported that there is a sign near the high school that is not within village limits celebrating the boys basketball team, the school would like to put signs up at 3 other entrances to town, Brent will talk to Steve Brooks to see where the school was wanting to place the signs.
- 3) Stated that he will be talking with Solicitor Scott Eickleberger about the parking issues on Montgomery and Thompson.

Police Chief: Police Chief Trevor Hayes gave the September monthly report.

- 1) Reported that there have been 499 total arrests and citations for the year, a much higher rate than the previous year.
- 2) Reported that there are currently 3 officers on patrol on Saturday nights for best practice on busy weekends.
- 3) Reported that officers have been active in attempting to educate residents of litter and trash issues, which has resulted in several warnings and two citations.
- 4) Reported that additional officers will be on patrol during trick or treat in the Village.
- 5) Reported that the Drug Take Back was very successful resulting in 55 pounds of medication collected.

Fire Chief: Fire Chief Brent Gates gave the September monthly report.

- 1) Reported that there were 95 total EMS runs for the month.
- 2) Reported that there were 30 fire runs and 7 non emergency runs.
- 3) Reported that the fire department just finished up fire prevention programs at the East Muskingum Local School District.

Mayor: Mayor Brett Essex gave the October Mayor's Report.

- 1) Reported that the playground dedication took place at the reservoir on October 24, 2016. The playground was dedicated to John Morrow and Donna Newberry. The mayor thanked the staff, Bethany Hayes, and NCAARD for their help in having the playground come to fruition.

Fiscal: Village Administrator Charlotte Colley gave the September monthly report.

- 1) Reported that the fund report balance was \$729,712 at the end of September.

- 2) Reported that revenue for the month came from the school resource officer contract money from the EMSD, the water/sewer billing month, and the EMS revenue increasing.
- 3) Expenses included paving, financial audit fees, and worker's compensation.
- 4) Reported that the water/sewer billing is now available online and has been well received.

Village Administrator: Village Administrator Charlotte Colley gave the October monthly report.

- Water Production for October – 8,456,100 gallons
- Wastewater Flows for October– 7,487,800 gallons

- 1) Reported a siphon line from the Upper Reservoir to the Lower Reservoir is now operational. Previously the Village had to rely on a pump, which will continue to be used as a backup. This will allow the Village to save money and time.
- 2) Reported that the Village Water System has been cleared for reduced microcystin testing until April 2017.
- 3) Reported that the Water Treatment Plant received a Water Fluoridation Quality award for 2015.
- 4) Reported that the Operations Department repaired a sewer lateral break on West Main Street and a water line break on East Main Street.
- 5) Reported that the results of the income survey showed that New Concord households are 61.2% low to moderate income, which will qualify the Village to apply for various federal and state grants.
- 6) Reported that Brennstuhl Construction Company has taken Cherry Lane down to the base and has begun rebuilding the roadway. There were 2 unanticipated change orders that were required before the crew could begin rebuilding the roadway, as the drive aprons of 2 residences needed to be adjusted in order to straighten Cherry Lane. The Village and the property owners split the cost of these repairs.
- 7) Advised council that Boy Scout Troop 510 has requested to do a service project replacing the Upper Reservoir bridge. They have received telephone poles from Guernsey-Muskingum and support with labor needs from college students as well as the scouts themselves. They have a cost of \$906 for materials from Lowe's needed to finish the bridge.
- 8) Dickson made a motion, Kokovich seconded to authorize the project to begin using the free materials and to look into additional funding and/or resume the project in the spring, motion passes.

Finance Committee: Kokovich reported that the committee met Wednesday, September 28.

- 1) Committee recommends passage of Resolution 10-16-2, which would allow for a contract with the lowest and best bid for the West Main Street sewer line replacement.
- 2) Committee recommends passage of Resolution 10-16-1, which would authorize a contract with the Walter H. Drane Company to codify all pertinent village codes and legislation.

Infrastructure Committee: Dickson reported the committee met Monday, October 10.

- 1) Reported that committee has been working on tree removal requests that are in the tree line.
- 2) Reported that trees have been delivered to Evergreen Village to be planted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-Muskingum University Homecoming Parade-October 29 at 12
Noon

-Board of Trade Costume Contest-October 31 from 5-6 PM

-Trick-or-Treat-October 31 from 6-7 PM

-Veterans Day Celebration-November 11 at 10:15 AM

-Council Meeting-November 14 at 7:30 PM

-Planning Commission-November 17 at 6 PM

-Thanksgiving Day-November 24, Village Offices closed
November 24-25

-Tree Lighting and Board of Trade Christmas Parade-November 28
at 6 PM and 6:30 PM

ADJOURNMENTS: Motion by Dickson, seconded by Baier to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer