

February 9, 2015

Mayor Adams called the meeting of Village Council to order on Monday, February 9, 2015 with all members present.

Moved by Kokovich second by Bronner that Council dispense with the reading of the January 19, 2015 minutes and approve as distributed. Motion carried.

Visitors: Stacy Mathews from The Daily Jeffersonian, Dick Payne

REPORTS

Police Chief: Chief Hayes gave the January monthly report.

- 1) Reported 172 calls for service in January with 29 arrests.

Fire Chief: Chief Gates gave the January monthly report.

- 1) Reported 14 fire runs and 90 EMS runs with 93 EMS patients for January.
- 2) Chief Gates reported New Concord Fire Department was awarded the local 2014 STEMI Star Award by Genesis HealthCare System for its 43 minute response time to a heart attack. Travis Roach and Ian Fellers received the STEMI Award.

Mayor: Mayor Adams reported working to make appointments to Village Boards and Commissions.

Policy: Bronner reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Bronner reported the committee discussed the final review of the South Friendship Drive Design Guidelines and endorses Ordinance K-2-15-1 for the third reading.
- 2) Bronner reported the committee reviewed a Preliminary Dog Park Proposal for the Village of New Concord. Motion by Lyle, second by Dickson to support continued research and pursue plans for proposed Dog Park, all voted yea. Motion carried.

Infrastructure: Dickson reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Dickson reported committee reviewed Statements of Qualifications from engineering firms to begin Phase one, the project study, of the S. Friendship Dr. project. Motion by Dickson, second by Essex to choose L-Con Engineering and Poggemeyer Design Group as the engineering firms for Phase one, all voted yea. Motion carried.
- 2) Committee reviewed Water System Study and Master Plan for water plant alternative. Motion by Dickson, second by Kerrigan to all L-Conn Engineering to begin Water System Study and Master Plan, all voted yea. Motion carried.

Finance: Kokovich reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Kokovich reported Committee approved the 2015 Budget and Permanent Appropriations.
- 2) Kokovich reported Committee approved OBWC Grant Fund Transfer in the amount of \$1,975.
- 3) Committee endorsed Resolution 2-15-2, authorizing advertisement for bids on unnecessary village equipment.
- 4) Committee discussed proposed Purchasing Policy, will continue discussion at next committee meeting.

Safety: Essex reported committee met prior to council meeting.

- 1) Essex reported Committee discussed the new Insurance Service Office (ISO) Public Protection classification rating. The evaluation is based on the Fire Department's abilities, the water systems, and how the dispatch center operates. The Fire Department has made considerable improvements since the previous evaluation in 1997. The improvements have caused the drop in ISO rating to Class 04/4Y.
- 2) Essex reported a truck traveling through town hit traffic signals. Committee discussed the replacement and LED conversion of Main Street traffic signals, east to west. Magistrate Eickelberger reported the at-fault party was found guilty for reckless operation in Magistrate Court and was ordered to pay restitution for the total cost of the material and labor for the replacement.

Fiscal Officer: Marlatt gave January financial report.

- 1) Reported Fund Report shows total expenditure and revenue month end balance of \$675,688.
- 2) Reported total revenue was down 2% in 2014 compared to 2013 and a 16% increase in expenses. Marlatt reported this was an expected change with the fire department changing to full-time paid personnel.
- 3) Reported Finance Committee reviewed a few of the capital improvement projects for 2015 to include a new roof on Village Hall building, sidewalk repairs, trees, renovations to the police chief's office and the construction of a locker room.

Administrator: Colley reported no non-compliance issues for January in the Water/Sewer Plants.

- 1) Colley reported a turbidity pump at the water plant needs replaced. The pump is still under a warranty so there will be no cost to the Village for replacement.
- 2) Reported road salt shipments have been received as needed and as snow/ice events occur operations staff will continue to coordinate with other Village departments and EMSD to endure safety.
- 3) Colley reported the Innovation Committee met on January 20th and approved the project scope for the strategic planning effort.
- 4) Reported Council plans to hear the third reading of the South Friendship Drive Corridor Design Guidelines at the February 9th meeting.
- 5) Reported ODOT has confirmed the list of project areas and work to be completed during the Safe Routes to School Project in early March, 2015.
- 6) Colley reported a meeting between the railroad, ODOT, ORDC, the Muskingum County Engineer, and the Village was held in November. It was decided that the bridge needed to remain closed due to its current condition. All parties are working to come to an agreement on how best to repair/replace the bridge or find an alternative railroad crossing solution.
- 7) Reported ODOT has confirmed the list of project areas and work to be completed during the SRTS project in spring of 2015.
- 8) Colley reported complaints have been coming in from residents regarding black vulture harassment. The operations staff has been working with Muskingum University and ODNR on finding a humane solution to ridding the birds. During the evening hours, staff will be shooting on Paden Road to dispense the birds from the area. This is one of the methods suggested to the village to scare off the birds.

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Kerrigan

Seconded by Bronner

Ordinance No. K-2-15-1, an ordinance to amend Ordinance K-8-14-1 and adopt the final South Friendship Drive Development Plan Design Guidelines as part of the comprehensive land use plan of the Village of New Concord, third reading.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Kokovich

Seconded by Lyle

Ordinance No. F-2-15-1, an ordinance establishing permanent appropriations for the Village of New Concord during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, and declaring an emergency.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

Moved by Lyle

Seconded by Kokovich

That **Ordinance No. F-2-15-1** be approved as read.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

Moved by Kokovich

Seconded by Bronner

Resolution No. 2-15-1, a resolution transferring various sums of money in the year 2015 budget from various funds listed herein, to funds listed and declaring an emergency.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

Moved by Bronner

Seconded by Kokovich

That **Resolution No. 2-15-1** be approved as read.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

Moved by Kerrigan

Seconded by Lyle

Resolution No. 2-15-2, a resolution authorizing proper village officials to advertise and accept bids for unnecessary equipment and to proceed with sale to highest bidders and declaring an emergency.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

Moved by Lyle

Seconded by Kerrigan

That **Resolution No. 2-15-2** be approved as read.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

Moved by Essex

Seconded by Bronner

Resolution No. 4-15-1, a resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the 10 mill limitation to provide for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, repair and maintenance of streets, roads and bridges in the Village of New Concord, first reading.

Kokovich	yea	Bronner	yea
Essex	yea	Lyle	yea
Dickson	yea	Kerrigan	yea

Motion Passes

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

See list

Moved by Essex, seconded by Kerrigan that the bills be approved for payment. All voted yea. Motion carried. Bills list on file in the Clerk's office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Village Council Meeting – March 9, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.
- Joint Informational Planning Commission and Policy Committee Meeting on Wallhouse Hotel – February 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.
- Let's Pick It Up New Concord – Saturday, April 25th – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

MISCELLANEOUS: -2015 New Concord Council Priorities

Jennifer Bronner:

- Keep New Concord family friendly and safe
- Encourage good neighbor programs and activities
- Support recreation, fitness and wellness for individuals and families

Jennifer Lyle:

- Promote development of senior housing (Long term goal)
- Recycling – expand commitment to include community wide recycling access
- Continue our “welcoming community” environment
- Pedestrian friendly Village

Bil Kerrigan:

- Walking – Safety concerns (form a diverse committee to address pedestrian safety issues)
- Explore ways for Village to assist in sidewalk clearing during snow/ice events
- Address additional sidewalk/pedestrian access recommendations that were identified during Safe Routes To School grant process

Steve Kokovich:

- Ensure New Concord remains financially sound
- Explore Nuisance animal control issues and develop workable solutions
- Maintain our existing sidewalks
- Conservation – preserve our green space and identify ways to conserve our “at-risk” habitats (i.e. wetlands)

Robert Dickson:

- Conservation of Village trees, green space and trails and expansion of recycling opportunities
- Explore senior housing options
- Ensure I-70/SR83 development is high-quality and built to specifications and standards set forth by the Village
- Continue to support family activities such as arts and recreation programs

Brett Essex:

- Provide good stewardship to the Village of New Concord now and into the future
- Ensure the Village is proactive in regard to challenges in the future and remains fiscally responsible
- Plan new and exciting development opportunities while still maintaining a small town, safe and family friendly Village atmosphere

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Dickson to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Bronner. All voted yea. Motion carries. Executive Session starts at 9:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn executive session by Bronner, seconded by Dickson. All voted yea. Motion carried. Conclusion of Executive Session at 9:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENTS: Motion by Dickson, seconded by Kokovich to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer