

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW CONCORD, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-27

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RULES OF COUNCIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of New Concord has adopted Rules of Council to follow for orderly conduct of Village business; and

WHEREAS, the Rules of Council of the Village of New Concord assist the Village Council with the governance the its organization, operation and meetings; and

WHEREAS, changes to the Rules of Council have been identified as necessary, and;

WHEREAS, the enactment of the Council Rules is immediately necessary and in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby ordained by the Council of the Village of New Concord as follows:

Section 1. The Rules of Council of the Village of New Concord, Ohio as written in Attachment A to this Ordinance have been amended as follows below.

Rule 9. Standing Committees - ~~The Mayor, in consultation with~~ President of Council, *in consultation with the Mayor*, shall make appointment(s) to the membership of Council committees after conversation with each Council Member, to assess their interest and availability, and ~~The Mayor, in consultation with President of Council, in consultation with the Mayor~~, shall appoint committee chairs.

Each committee will consist of three Members of Council. These decisions and appointments shall be completed ~~no later than seven business days prior to the January organizational meeting~~ *as soon as possible following the election of the President of Council.*

Rule 20. Voting - Most voting, including on all ordinances and resolutions, takes place by roll call. The Clerk or Designee calls upon each Member by name to vote verbally; after the Clerk or Designee announces the number of votes on each side the Presiding Officer declares the result. It is expected that every Member who is present shall vote Yes or No on all questions upon the call for Yeses and Nos.

Although it is the duty of every Member who has an opinion on a question to express it by vote, a Member can abstain since a vote cannot be compelled. Additionally, no Member shall vote on any question in which the Member has a conflict of interest, including a financial interest, or when the Member's vote is

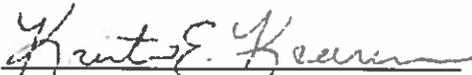
excused by statute. In both these cases, abstention or conflict of interest, the Member must state her/his intention to and reason for abstention prior to the call for a vote. It is hoped that an abstention is used rarely and only for the most imperative reasons.

Under certain circumstances, such as a motion to adjourn, voting takes place by group voice vote of Yeses and Nos. The Clerk or Designee is not involved in this vote; the Presiding Officer declares the result.

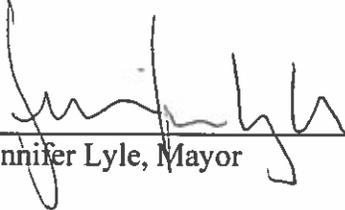
~~The only exception to verbal voting is the use of secret paper ballots when Council votes for President Pro Tempore during the January organizational meeting each year.~~

Section 2. For reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be in full force after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: January 11, 2021


Kristi Kearns, President of Council

Approved: January 11, 2021


Jennifer Lyle, Mayor

Attest:


Lynn Marlatt, Fiscal Officer

I hereby certify that the above legislation was posted per Ordinance No. L-1-84-1.


Lynn Marlatt, Fiscal Officer