

**October 09, 2018**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers in regular session on Tuesday, October 09, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Present: Gary Skeene, Richard Feldkamp, Melanie Slade, Mary Allen and Paul Vanderbosch - members; Ramona Carr, Mayor; Greg Roberts, Village Administrator; Theresa Leigh, Clerk of Council; Scott Sollmann, Village Solicitor; Vince Bee, Fire & EMS Chief, Mike Couch, Interim Police Chief and Sgt. Jason Malott, Canine Officer. Amanda Davidson was absent.

Also attending:

Bill Marsh- Country Place

David Vornholt-310 Susanna Way

Megan Alley-Clermont Sun

Charles Buckingham-117 Lights Pointe Ct.

Mayor Carr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present were Skeene, Allen, Slade, and Vanderbosch.

Minutes of September 25<sup>th</sup> were presented for approval. Mary Allen motioned to approve, Seconded by Melanie Slade.

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: absent

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Richard Feldkamp arrived at 7:07 p.m.**

**Visitors**

**David Vornholt-310 Susanna Way:**

NROBA proposed the following date and time for the Christmas Village Walk: December 08, 2018 from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. Requesting Front St. closure between Walnut & Union streets for the event. Next steps: David will submit the events application.

**Administrative Reports**

**Greg Roberts, Village Administrator:**

**Road Closures**

We received requests for the following road closures on the noted dates, times and locations:

Event: RiverArts

Date: 10/14/2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Location: Front St. from Main to Union streets

Event: Veterans Day Parade

Date: 11/11/2018

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Parade start time: 2:00 p.m.)

Location: Susanna Way from Union to Western, and Western to Washington

Gary Skeene motioned to approve, Seconded by Mary Allen.

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

### **ODOT Meeting**

Roberts reported that he and Mayor Carr had a productive meeting with ODOT District 8 Director Tammy Campbell last Thursday. Next steps: Campbell will introduce us to ODOT's point persons for economic development and transportation grant assistance. They will help us look into enhancing crosswalks on U.S. 52 for safety. We discussed mowing the right of way and possible shared services for the mowing.

### **Andrew Gephardt employment status**

Andrew has started as part-time administrator for Moscow. We need to take him back to part-time status effective this pay period.

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to approve a 24-hour work week with a salary of \$17.00 an hour, Seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

### **Mike Couch, Interim Police Chief:**

- The New Richmond Police Dept. received a \$10,200.00 grant for new bullet-proof vests. The Police Dept. will finance the remaining \$3,400.00 to cover the total cost of \$13,600.00.
- The August 2018 and September 2018 Police Dept. highlights are available. The Police Dept. received 743 calls for service in August and 540 calls for service in September.
- New surveillance cameras with enhanced coverage are being installed in Village Hall, including the host prisoner and interrogation rooms. Completion of work expected October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- Our new canine dog will arrive in 3 months.

### **Sergeant Jason Malott, Canine Officer:**

- The new canine dog is a 2 year-old German shepherd. He will go by the name "Canine Patriot" and is noted as being "perfect around kids."

### **Vince Bee, Fire/EMS Chief:**

- The New Richmond Police and Fire & EMS Dept. Public Safety Day will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be activities for the kids as well as free food and drinks\* (\*while supplies last). Sgt. Malott will present a demonstration with our current canine dog, "Elko".

**Mayor Carr** – nothing to report

**Theresa Leigh, Clerk of Council** – nothing to report

**Committee Reports**

- None due to Monday, October 08, 2018 being a holiday (Columbus Day).

Mary Allen motioned to suspend the three-reading rule for Resolution 2018-14: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CINCINNATI BELL FOR PHONE AND FIBER OPTIC INTERNET SERVICES.** Seconded by Gary Skeene.

*Discussion: Cincinnati Bell is \$164.00 cheaper than our current internet provider and provides faster download/upload than what Spectrum can offer.*

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Gary Skeene motioned to declare the emergency adoption of Resolution 2018-14: **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CINCINNATI BELL FOR PHONE AND FIBER OPTIC INTERNET SERVICES.** Seconded by Mary Allen.

*Discussion:*

*The resolution needs to be passed as an emergency due to the need for service.*

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Mary Allen motioned to pass Resolution 2018-11: **A RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INVEST THE STATE BUDGET SURPLUS IN MUNICIPALITIES.** Seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to pay the bills: 515-2018 to 780-2018

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Legislation:**

**First Reading:**

**Second Reading:**

**ORDINANCE 2018-17: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2018 APPROPRIATIONS**

**Third Reading:**

**CALL OF MEMBERS:**

**Vanderbosch** –

Real estate tax session: Jennifer Hartley and Linda Frailey will attend either a New Richmond Village Council or a Committee meeting to explain real estate taxes. The venue and date to be determined.

**Allen** – Nothing to report

**Davidson-** Absent

**Skeene** – Nothing to report

**Feldkamp-** Nothing to report

**Slade-** Nothing to report

**Comments from audience:**

No one wished to speak.

**Executive Session**

Mary Allen motioned that the council and Chief Mike Couch and Solicitor Scott Sollmann enter into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(G) (1) in order to discuss the employment, demotion, dismissal, and/or compensation of a Village employee/position.

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Roll Call was taken and a unanimous vote to enter into executive session occurred.**

Mary Allen motioned to return from Executive Session to regular Council at 8:35pm; seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:36PM, seconded by Gary Skeene

Mrs. Slade: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson:absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

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**Mayor**

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**Clerk of Council**