

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Village of New Richmond Council

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held in Council Chambers, 102 Willow St, November 23 20 21

November 23, 2021

COUNCIL MEETING

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers, 2nd floor, at 102 Willow St., New Richmond, Ohio, in Regular session on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Ewing opened the meeting with everyone standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Ewing asked for the Roll Call of Council with the following members present:

Mary Allen: Yes Richard Feldkamp: Yes Becky Ploucha: Yes
Larry Prues: absent Gary Skeene: Yes Melanie Slade: Yes

Present in Council Chambers:

Mayor Glenn Ewing.

Administration: Solicitor Scott Sollmann; Village Administrator, Greg Roberts;

Department Heads: Police Chief Mike Couch.

Additional personnel: Asst. Fire Chief Tim Feldkamp sitting in for Fire/EMS Chief Vince Bee.

Absent: Fire/EMS Chief Vince Bee, bereavement. Clerk of Council, Kathy Fuchs, vacation

Guests present in Council Chambers: (*residents): *Dennis Dalton,

MINUTES

(*M-1) Minutes of the November 9, 2021 Regular Council meeting were presented for approval.

M-1 Councilwoman Allen motioned to approve as written the Minutes of November 9, 2021 Regular Council meeting; seconded by Councilman Feldkamp. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen: Yes Richard Feldkamp: Yes Becky Ploucha: Yes
Gary Skeene: Yes Melanie Slade: Yes Larry Prues: absent

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Village Administrator Greg Roberts

- Upcoming Events: River Village Christmas is Saturday December 4th 2 - 8 pm. Parade starts from Plum Street Park at 2:30pm.
- Liberty Landing Capital Budget Request: Yesterday a very positive story on the Village's capital budget request for Liberty Landing Park was published on the web-site wcpo.com. This story was also aired yesterday on Channel 9.
- Thanksgiving: We have much to be thankful for in what has been a difficult as well as promising year for the Village. The Covid virus

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persists and continues to infect people. People continue to need hospitalization and sadly people are still dying. I encourage folks to consult your private doctor and not politicians and/or the news media for medical advice.

- Administrator Roberts closed his report with the following: Years ago, when a rival presidential candidate said, "Government is the engine of economic growth." Candidate Jack Kemp responded, "With all due respect, it is not. Free men, free women, free markets, free enterprise, private property and unleashing the potential for entrepreneurial activity and opportunities for people to work and to save and invest and produce and yes, take a risk, and yes, make a profit, is the single greatest engine of economic growth the world has ever known, and it will work wherever it's tried." Administrator Roberts added that it is working in New Richmond.

Police Chief Mike Couch

- Statistics presented included: 3 abandoned vehicles towed, 4 business checks, 18 complaints investigated, 30 traffic stops
- The street signs for Union Station have been ordered.
- (*M-2) Chief Couch recommended accepting the resignation of full-time Police Officer Joshua Fullbeck effective December 6, 2021.
- (*M-3) Chief Couch recommended moving the recently re-hired Police Officer Charles Saylor from part-time to full-time at an hourly rate of \$18.54 pending OPOTA certification effective November 23, 2021.

Fire/EMS Chief Vince Bee was represented by Asst. Chief Tim Feldkamp:

- Reported that Chief Bee's father Robert Bee had passed away after a long illness, accounting for Chief Bee's absence.
- The Christmas lights will go up on Front Street on Friday.

***M-2 Councilwoman Allen motioned to accept the letter of resignation of full-time Police Officer Joshua Fullbeck effective 12/06/2021; seconded by Councilman Feldkamp. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:**

Mary Allen: <u>Yes</u>	Richard Feldkamp: <u>Yes</u>	Becky Ploucha: <u>Yes</u>
Gary Skeene: <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Slade: <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues: <u>absent</u>

***M-3 Councilwoman Allen motioned to approve the moving of Police Officer Charles Saylor from part-time to full-time at a pay of \$18.54/ hr., effective 11/23/2021; seconded by Councilman Skeene. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:**

Mary Allen: <u>Yes</u>	Richard Feldkamp: <u>Yes</u>	Becky Ploucha: <u>Yes</u>
Gary Skeene: <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Slade: <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues: <u>absent</u>

Mayor Glenn Ewing –Nothing to report

Solicitor, Scott Sollmann

- (*M-4) Has reviewed loan agreement with Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) and recommends authorization for the Administrator to sign the agreement with a change to specify a limit on indemnification consistent with Ohio Revised Code.

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M-4 Councilman Feldkamp motioned to approve authorizing the Village Administrator to sign a loan agreement with the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) for the purpose of developing an Asset Management Plan for the Village’s water supply system, with a change to specify a limit on indemnification consistent with Ohio Revised Code as recommended by Solicitor Sollmann,; seconded by Councilwoman Allen. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen: Yes Richard Feldkamp: Yes Becky Ploucha: Yes
Gary Skeene: Yes Melanie Slade: Yes Larry Prues: absent

Clerk of Council, Kathy Fuchs – absent

LEGISLATION

First Reading:

RESOLUTION 2021-21 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

Second Reading:

RESOLUTION 2021-20 A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 208 SUSANNA WAY, a.k.a. PARCEL# 260909.235A, NEW RICHMOND, OHIO TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE, AND AUTHORIZING THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR TO CAUSE REMOVAL OF SUCH LAWFUL CONDITIONS IF SAID OWNERS(S) FAILS TO DO SO WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS OF NOTICE

Third Reading:

(*M-5) RESOLUTION 2021-19 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW RICHMOND’S PARTICIPATION IN A PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM WITH THE LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL

M-5 Councilwoman Allen motioned to approve RESOLUTION 2021-19 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW RICHMOND’S PARTICIPATION IN A PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM WITH THE LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL; seconded by Councilman Feldkamp. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen: Yes Richard Feldkamp: Yes Becky Ploucha: Yes
Gary Skeene: Yes Melanie Slade: Yes Larry Prues: absent

CALL OF MEMBERS:

Larry Prues – absent
Mary Allen – Nothing to report.
Becky Ploucha – Nothing to report.
Gary Skeene – Nothing to report
Melanie Slade – Nothing to report.
Richard Feldkamp –Nothing to report

COMMENTS from audience/Visitors wishing to address Council:

None

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

M-6 Councilwoman Allen motioned for Council to go into executive session at 7:35pm in accordance with Ohio Revised Code § 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the sale of Village property at competitive bidding and also in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(8) to consider confidential information relating to specific business strategy and to discuss negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, seconded by Councilman Skeene. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen: <u>Yes</u>	Richard Feldkamp: <u>Yes</u>	Becky Ploucha: <u>Yes</u>
Gary Skeene: <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Slade: <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues: <u>absent</u>

M-7 Councilman Skeene motioned to return to regular session at 7:54 p.m.; seconded by Councilwoman Allen. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen: <u>Yes</u>	Richard Feldkamp: <u>Yes</u>	Becky Ploucha: <u>Yes</u>
Gary Skeene: <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Slade: <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues: <u>absent</u>

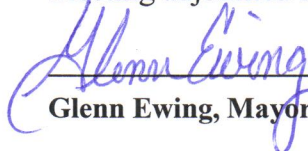
Councilman Feldkamp requested a status update on the non-conforming structure located on Front Street on the village side of Twelve Mile Creek.

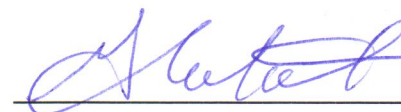
Administrator Roberts reported that the owner has not responded to his and the Zoning Administrator's request to produce documentation that the structure qualifies as a recreational vehicle occupying one of the four conditionally approved campsites by the Planning Commission on that property. The owner informed Planning Commission at their October meeting that he and his family are now residing in the structure. At that time he was informed that village zoning requires dwellings to be constructed on permanent foundations and, if located in the floodplain, must be elevated above the base flood elevation. To Administrator Roberts' knowledge, no permits have been issued, or safety inspections performed, for the structure. Formal citations are in order if action by the owner towards compliance to zoning and/or floodplain regulations does not occur.

M-8 Councilman Skeene motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m.; seconded by Councilman Feldkamp. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen: <u>Yes</u>	Richard Feldkamp: <u>Yes</u>	Becky Ploucha: <u>Yes</u>
Gary Skeene: <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Slade: <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues: <u>absent</u>

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.


Glenn Ewing, Mayor

 Administrator
Greg Roberts for Kathy Fuchs, Clerk of Council