

11/08/2022

COUNCIL MEETING

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers, 2nd floor at 102 Willow Street, New Richmond Ohio, in regular session on Tuesday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Ewing asked for Roll Call of all Councilmembers with the following members responding:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Present in Council Chambers:

Mayor Glenn Ewing

Administration: Clerk of Council Kelley Snider

Department Heads: Fire/EMS Chief Tim Feldkamp, Interim Police Chief Jason Mallott, Interim Village Administrator/Zoning Bob Lindhorst

Absent: Solicitor Scott Sollmann – Excused due to prior work commitment

Council Chambers (* Residents): Lisa Tharpe, Village Resident, Donna Prues Village Resident Becca Vaske, Steve Light, Village Residents and Business Owners, Ken Kimbrell, Village Resident and Business Owner, Christine McAdams, Business Owner, Mike Ranz, Non-Village Resident

COMMUNICATIONS:

Christine McAdams: Received a call from someone named Emily from NREVSD saying the schools need help with cafeteria breakfast and lunches and would like help with raising \$1,000 for the program and is asking for financial assistance. Will need to figure out who this person is and maybe touch base with the school board.

Ken Kimbrell: Discussed hiring Jason Mallott as our new Police Chief / he has been loyal to our town. He would also like to know the status of the trees on sidewalk that Duke said they would take down. This is slated for Spring of 2023.

Becca Vaske: Brought the paperwork for the River Village Christmas and street closures. She discussed the events that will be happening on December 3rd. A&A Safety offered to provide barricades as we do not have enough. We want to give this a hometown river village Christmas. Also wanted to talk about hiring Interim Police Chief Mallott. She has personally talked to officers that left the village and they all said it was the uncertainty with all these changes. It's been 5 months. The money that Steve Light donated to the police training, she suggested we offer it to the cafeteria at the schools.

MINUTES

Minutes of the October 25th, 2022, Regular Council meeting were presented for approval along with corrections to the October 24th, 2022 Personnel and Finance Meeting.

Councilperson Dalton motioned to approve Minutes of the October 25th, 2022, Regular Council meeting; seconded by Councilperson Woodruff. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel & Finance Committee Report from the meeting held Monday, 11/07/2022 as reported by Councilwoman /Committee Chair Allen

Committee Report Attached

Finance/Budget - Fiscal Officer Joel Gilpin

(*) The Personnel & Finance Committee reviewed all checks and electronic payments for the month of August 2022; we need a motion to pay these bills. *

Councilperson Allen made a motion to pay the bills, Second by Councilperson Woodruff.

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Allen made a motion to rescind a motion made in the October 25th council meeting. The motion was to hire Lynn Baird, former Fiscal Officer as a part-time Fiscal Officer consultant at the rate of \$19.29 per hour effective November 1, 2022. Second by Councilperson Dalton.

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Allen made a motion to accept Lynn's resignation due to retirement effective October 31, 2022.

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Allen made a motion to accept the banking agreement with River Hills Bank. Second by Councilperson Prues.

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Allen made a motion to reclassify Christopher Pairan from part time to full time starting Nov 11, 2022. This is conditional pending he pass the psychological test and PT test. Normal probationary period will apply. Second by Councilperson Prues

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>No</u>

There was discussion on whether to re-classify this officer or would it be better to go through Mutual Aid and use Pierce Township or the Sheriff's office. What happens if this officer decides to take another job. Police Chief Mallott mentioned that he has had meetings with other villages, and they are all short staffed at this time.

Christine McAdams stated she does not feel safe.

Safety, Laws & Rules Committee

There was no meeting on 11/08/2022

Public Works/Parks/Recreation Committee Report

There was no meeting on 11/08/2022

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Interim Village Administrator Bob Lindhorst: Attached

- The property at 1034 Front Street was purchased Blue Ash Media a parent company to Summit Locations for the purpose of replacing the current Frisch's sign. Joe Cala from Summit met with the planning committee seeking permission to replace the sign. There was much discussion, the result was that Theresa Leigh made a motion to move forward and present to council (4) Y (1) N. Additionally, there needs to more in deep legislation moving forward with billboards. Joe Calas offered to assist and send sample ordinances to review. Councilperson Dennis can provide more insight.
- Still waiting for Mike Dobbins and the documents from H&M Surveying.
- A lot of time spent the last couple of weeks in reference to the Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP). Attended several webinars, in person workshops, and a meeting with Scott Gafvert from the county in regard to the HBP program, go to meeting with Caroline Duffy 143 Engineering, Danielle Steinhauser with CT Consultants. The theme is the same for all meaning the more collaboration with multiple counties the better chance you are of receiving grant approval. Some of the council members can provide more insight.
- The survey has been removed and KZF is putting the data into a format. 226 total responses received, the survey started mid-September and headed November 3rd. (See attached results) KZF proposed 1/10/23 for a public meeting.

Interim Police Chief Jason Mallott: Attached

Fire/EMS Chief Tim Feldkamp: Nothing to report

Mayor Glenn Ewing: Discussed the street closures for River Village Christmas. Councilperson Woodruff made a motion to close the Front Street from Quarry Street and Western Avenue and Quarry Street and Market Street, Second by Councilperson Tharpe.

Mary Allen Yes

Larry Prues Yes

Dennis Dalton Yes

Richard Feldkamp Yes

Jon Tharpe Yes

Ryan Woodruff Yes

Solicitor, Scott Sollmann: Not present/Prior work commitment

Clerk of Council, Kelley Snider: Nothing to report

LEGISLATION read by Mayor Ewing

First Reading:

RESOLUTION 2022-20 AUTHORIZATION THE SUBMITTAL OF A REQUEST FOR ADVANCE OF TAXES PAID IN 2022 TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY AUDITOR

ORDINANCE 2022-15 AMENDING THE 2022 APPROPRIATIONS

Councilperson Dalton motioned to waive 3-read rule, Second by Councilperson Allen.

Mary Allen Yes Larry Prues Yes Dennis Dalton Yes
Richard Feldkamp Yes Jon Tharpe Yes Ryan Woodruff Yes

Councilperson Allen, motioned to pass as emergency, Second by Councilperson Dalton.

Mary Allen Yes Larry Prues Yes Dennis Dalton Yes
Richard Feldkamp Yes Jon Tharpe Yes Ryan Woodruff Yes

Second Reading: 2022-14 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING INCREASED SPEEDING FINES FOR PORTIONS OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW RICHMOND

Third Reading: (did not take place on 11/08/2022)

ORD 2022-11 AN ORDINANCE VACATING PORTIONS OF PLUM STREET AND WATER STREET AS DETAILED (moved 3rd Read to 11/22/2022 Council Meeting)

Councilperson Woodruff made a motion to move the 3rd reading of ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING INCREASED SPEEDING FINES FOR PORTIONS OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW RICHMOND to 11/22/2022, Second by Councilperson Dalton

Mary Allen Yes Larry Prues Yes Dennis Dalton Yes
Richard Feldkamp Yes Jon Tharpe Yes Ryan Woodruff Yes

CALL OF MEMBERS:

Larry Prues
Nothing to report

Ryan Woodruff

- Reminder about Tire Amnesty Day in Washington Township
- Thanked our Veterans.
- Have the letters been sent out to campgrounds about water being shut off for winters month / yes the letters have gone out.

Richard Feldkamp

Nothing to report

Jon Tharpe

The grant writing is a difficult process, but working with Danielle and Bob to go smoother.

Mary Allen

- Reminder that on Tuesday, November 15th is the 2nd Annual ORW Summit

Dennis Dalton

- Nothing to report

Councilperson Allen motioned to go into Executive Session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss the appointment, employment, and compensation of a public employee/official, second by Councilperson Dalton. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Dalton motioned to come back from Executive Session, seconded by Councilperson Woodruff. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Allen motioned to make Eric Williams an offer for Police Chief, to start March 6, 2023 at \$60,000 per year, second by Councilperson Woodruff. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Councilperson Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 08:26 p.m., seconded by Councilperson Feldkamp, Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mary Allen <u>Yes</u>	Larry Prues <u>Yes</u>	Dennis Dalton <u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp <u>Yes</u>	Jon Tharpe <u>Yes</u>	Ryan Woodruff <u>Yes</u>

Meeting adjourned at 08:26 p.m.


Mayor


Clerk of Council