

**October 11, 2016**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers in regular session on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7 pm. Present: Gary Skeene, Richard Feldkamp, Mary Allen, Rodney Henry and Paul Vanderbosch - members; Ramona Carr, Mayor; Kelly Painter, Clerk; Randy Harvey, Police Chief ; Vince Bee , Fire Chief and Greg Roberts, Village Administrator.

Also attending:

Bill Marsh -2423 Country Place

Tim Feldkamp- NRFEMS

Pam Schreiner- 212 Susanna Way

David Vornholt -310 Susanna Way

Megan Alley- Clermont Sun

Keith Voglesang – Ohio Township Trustee

Mayor Carr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present were Henry, Skeene, Feldkamp, Allen, and Vanderbosch. Amanda Davidson was unable to attend.

Minutes of September 27th were presented for approval. Rodney Henry motioned to approve, Seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: Absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Greg Roberts, Village Administrator:**

**Water Plant Update:**

Water Well #4 is being cleaned and will be put back in service. A qualitative analysis of raw water from well #2 vs. #4 will be performed to better understand the differences between the two. The filtering process is being continuously monitored and filters cleaned to ensure clear water is coming from the plant. Mineral deposits accumulate on the mechanisms located in the pumps in the wells and need to be cleaned periodically.

**Water Tower Leak:**

Last Thursday the water tower located by the schools developed a serious leak at the base of the tank. Our contractor was brought in Friday to repair the leak. The tower was drained to accommodate the repair. Custom made steel plates were required to do the repair. These were fabricated on Saturday and welded in place Sunday and Monday. The water tower is now back in service. *(Mr. Feldkamp expressed concerns about rust the rest of the tank. Greg stated that the contractor replaced all metal that was suspect and shored up all visible/questionable areas. Mr. Feldkamp is concerned the tank may need to be replaced. )*

**Boat Ramp Update:**

New ramp components are being fabricated at contractor's lot. Installation could begin as early as next week.

**Sewer Project Update:**

Grinder pump installations have begun for Project I (Grays Lane/Robin Hill). Customers are having difficulty in finding responsible contractors to quote and commit to perform customer required work to connect to the grinder pumps. *(Contractors are given a package of drawings and instructions on installations).*

**Personnel & Finance, Paul Vanderbosch:**

**Informational Mailer:**

The primary purpose of the meeting was to review and agree on the contents of the information mailer to be sent to all registered voters in the Village about the tax increase.

Comments, suggestions and changes were made and a final version was agreed. Greg Roberts has the responsibility to make copies and prepare the brochure for mailing. Mailing labels were to be obtained from the Board of Elections in Batavia.

The information mailer is to be mailed early in the week of October 17, 2016.

**Lynn Baird, Fiscal Officer**

Lynn reviewed the September financial reports.

**Pay the bills:**

Paul Vanderbosch motioned to pay bills 554-2016 through 679-2016 and warrants 35687 through 35702 as listed in the September financial reports, seconded by Gary Skeene.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mrs. Davidson: absent

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**There were no Public Works or Safety meetings due to the holiday.  
(Columbus Day)**

**The Safety Committee meeting is rescheduled for Oct. 24th at 3:30 PM.**

**The Public Works Committee meeting to be determined.**

**Mary Allen, Economic Development:**

**Economic Development Conference:**

Mary Allen requested approval of room and board for herself and Greg in order to attend the Ohio Economic Development Conference on Oct. 19-21. The cost of the conference for a non-member is \$475. , membership is \$600.00 including the cost of the conference. Mary pre-paid the \$600 due to the benefits of being a member. The room will be \$140.00 per night for 3 nights per person.

Richard Feldkamp motioned to approve reimbursement/payment of room and board and the cost of attendance including the membership fee for the Economic Development Conference on Oct. 19-21 2016 to Greg Roberts and Mary Allen. The cost incurred will be \$600.00/membership fee/conference for Mary and \$140.00 per night for three nights for Greg and Mary and an additional \$475.00/conference attendance fee for Greg, seconded by Gary Skeene.

*Mr. Vanderbosch expressed concerns about the cost of the conference. He asked what the benefits would be to the village to justify the expense. Mary responded that the information obtained from the conference could be invaluable toward learning more about how to improve Economic Development of the village. Goodwill was discussed. Mayor Carr stated that Greg has the ability to pay for the conference out of his budget. She recommended attending the conference.*

Mr. Henry: yes

Mrs. Davidson: Absent

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Ms. Allen: Abstain

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: no

**Randy Harvey, Chief of Police;**

Nothing to report.

**Ramona Carr, Mayor:**

The council meeting on Oct 25th will primarily be devoted to discussion of the income legislation on the ballot. Meeting may be moved to the Market Street school.

**Kelly Painter, Clerk of Council;**

Nothing to report.

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

Nothing to report.

**Legislation:**

**Third Reading:**

**RESOLUTION 2016-11: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING THE BRIDGE INSPECTION PROGRAM SERVICES**

Richard Feldkamp motioned to adopt Resolution 2016-11: A Resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with the

Director of Transportation regarding the Bridge Inspection Program Services, seconded by Mary Allen.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: Absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**CALL OF MEMBERS:**

**Vanderbosch** - Nothing to report

**Allen** - updated council for planned flood exhibit

**Davidson** - Absent

**Skeene** - Mr. Skeene handed out a news article regarding a study being done about a new port in Indiana.

**Feldkamp**- Expressed concerns about the drop-off in the river near the boat dock. Greg stated that the contractor plans to dive to the bottom to observe the riverbed near the new boat ramp.

**Henry**- Nothing to report

**David Vornholt -310 Susanna Way**

Mr. Vornholt will continue to attend Council meetings on behalf of the Business Association

**Pam Schreiner- 212 Susanna Way**

Mrs. Schreiner offered more information regarding Goodwill and believes that if Goodwill establishes a store in the area it would be good for economic development by providing jobs and the convenience of having low cost options for shopping to our residents.

Richard Feldkamp motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM, seconded by Rodney Henry.

Mr. Henry: yes

Mr. Feldkamp: yes

Mr. Skeene: -yes

Mrs. Davidson: Absent

Ms. Allen: yes

Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

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**Mayor**

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**Clerk of Council**