

August 25, 2015

**COUNCIL MEETING**

New Richmond Village Council met in Council Chambers in regular session on Tuesday, August 25th, 2015 at 7 pm. Present: Richard Hilt, Richard Feldkamp, Gary Skeene, Amanda Davidson, Mary Allen and Paul Vanderbosch - members; Ramona Carr, Mayor; Randy Harvey, Police Chief; Greg Roberts, Village Administrator

Also attending:

Megan Alley - Clermont Sun  
Mike Martin- 211 Lights Point Court  
Kim Martin- 211 Lights Point Court  
Cindy Banfield – 209 Lights Point Court  
Bill Marsh – Country Place  
Rob Painter – St. Rt. 132  
Kelly Painter – St. Rt. 132  
Patrick Blair - 101 Lights Point Court

Mayor Carr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hilt, Feldkamp, Skeene, Davidson, Allen, and Vanderbosch were recognized as present.

**Minutes:** Minutes of August 11th were presented for approval. Davidson motioned to approve. Seconded by Feldkamp.

Mr. Hilt: yes	Mrs. Davidson: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes	Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes	Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Visitors: Cindy Banfield** a village resident at Lights Point Court for 8 years informed council about an ongoing parking issue that has recently developed on her street. Cars, trucks of various sizes are left parked on the street for days creating a concern for safety by potentially blocking fire and EMS vehicles. Snow removal was a problem this past winter making it difficult to plow the street effectively. Access to the community mailbox is also a problem with vehicles at times parked in front of it. She asked council for help in resolving the problem. She said she spoke with the village administrator. Council member Feldkamp reported that the parking issues were discussed at the last Safety, Laws and Rules Committee and that council will continue to review and address.

**Kim Martin** reported that she has lived on Lights Point Court for three and a half months and likes the rural feel of the area. When she looked at the property they bought there were no vehicles on the street. Now vehicles stay on the street for days. Their homeowners association has not been helpful and referred them to the village.

**Greg Roberts, Village Administrator:**

New firewall, wi-fi, internet service are now installed and activated at village hall as of last Friday. Police, utilities, and administration networks are segregated and secure. Internet stability and connectivity to network printers is much improved.

A proposal as an alternative to replacing the Brent Spence Bridge is being promoted. If adopted this would have a major economic development impact on New Richmond. More details available at: [www.cincyeasternbypass.com](http://www.cincyeasternbypass.com)

NRHS Homecoming Committee is requesting approval for road closures per map presented for the Homecoming Parade 4:30pm to 6:30pm on Friday October 2nd. Road closures are contingent upon completion of all requirements for the Event Application.

Skeene motioned to approve street closures for the NRHS Homecoming Parade, seconded by Allen.

Mr. Hilt: yes	Mrs. Davidson: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes	Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes	Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Police Chief Randy Harvey** requested council to accept the resignation in good standing of Mayor's Court Clerk Lisa Knepp effective September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015. Allen motioned to accept, seconded by Hilt.

Mr. Hilt: yes	Mrs. Davidson: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes	Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes	Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Chief Harvey requested permission to destroy the notary public seal purchased by the village with Knepp's name on it. Motion was made by Allen, seconded by Davidson.

Mr. Hilt: yes	Mrs. Davidson: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes	Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes	Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Legislation:**

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2015-16 AMENDING APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**THIRD READING OF ORDINANCE 2015-15 AMENDING APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM STREET EQUIPMENT TO STREET OPERATING.** Motion to adopt was made by Hilt, seconded by Skeene.

Mr. Hilt: yes	Mrs. Davidson: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes	Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes	Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Executive Session:**

Motion was made by Vanderbosch to go into executive session under O.R.C. 121.22(G)(1) to discuss "the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, licensee or regulated individual", seconded by Allen. Administrator Roberts and Police Chief Randy Harvey were requested by Mayor Carr to join the executive session.

Mr. Hilt: yes	Mrs. Davidson: yes
Mr. Feldkamp: yes	Ms. Allen: yes
Mr. Skeene: yes	Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Council entered into executive session at 7:34pm. . Upon return to Council Chambers Vanderbosch motioned to return to regular session, seconded by Feldkamp.

Mr. Hilt: yes  
Mr. Feldkamp: yes  
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes  
Ms. Allen: yes  
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Regular session resumed at 7:56pm

**CALL OF MEMBERS:**

**Vanderbosch** – Shared an article from the *Cincinnati Enquirer* about shared fire department equipment between departments in Butler County. Vanderbosch suggested that Administrator Roberts invite Joe Vogel owner of Skipper’s Marina to meet at the next Personnel and Finance Committee meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Roberts agreed. Vanderbosch made a motion that council meetings no longer be audio recorded. Seconded by Davidson. Discussion ensued over the merits of recording versus note taking. It was revealed that due to an issue with the recording device that this meeting was not being recorded. Carr mentioned that Amelia had ceased recording their meetings and to her knowledge only Bethel has continued the practice locally.

Mr. Hilt: no  
Mr. Feldkamp: yes  
Mr. Skeene: no

Mrs. Davidson: yes  
Ms. Allen: no  
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Mayor Carr broke the tie with a yes vote. Motion passed.

**Allen** – Made a motion to hire Kelly Painter for the position of Clerk at a pay rate of \$12.30 an hour limited to no more than 29 hours per week. Seconded by Vanderbosch.

Mr. Hilt: yes  
Mr. Feldkamp: yes  
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes  
Ms. Allen: yes  
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

**Davidson** –Nothing to report

**Skeene** - Nothing to report.

**Feldkamp** – Nothing to report.

**Hilt** - Nothing to report.

**Comments from the Audience:** None

Vanderbosch motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Skeene.

Hilt: yes  
Mr. Feldkamp: yes  
Mr. Skeene: yes

Mrs. Davidson: yes  
Ms. Allen: yes  
Mr. Vanderbosch: yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

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Mayor

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Clerk of Council