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The Council of the Municipality of New Lebanon, Ohio, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Arriola presiding. Present were Municipal Manager/Fire Chief George Markus, Law Director Ronald D. Keener, Police Chief Rick Daulton, Zoning Compliance Officer David Lunsford, Clerk of Council Sandy Wright and several visitors. Service Department Superintendent Scott Brock and Chief Financial Officer Brenda Etter were absent.

### **ROLL CALL**

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Raymond Arriola, Gale Joy, Glenna Madden, Carol Macmann, Hillary McClusky, Christopher Sands, and Douglas Thompson.

### **INVOCATION**

Mayor Arriola gave the invocation.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **PROCLAMATION DAVID L. KEENER DAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018**

**MAYOR ARRIOLA READ THE PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING SUNDAY MARCH 18, 2018 AS DAVID L. KEENER DAY AND MADE THE PRESENTATION TO KAREN KEENER.**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Arriola stated next is the approval of the March 6, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Are there any corrections or changes that need to be made to these minutes? Nothing was heard.

Mayor Arriola stated all in favor of these minutes please signify by saying aye, all opposed same sign.

VOICE VOTE ON ABOVE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Arriola stated next is old business. Does anyone have any old business? Nothing was heard.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Arriola stated under new business we have **RESOLUTION 2018-07: A RESOLUTION RESCINDING AND CANCELING THE ASSESSMENT FOR CURB AND GUTTER ASSESSED AGAINST 425 LUFKIN DRIVE (PARCEL I.D.#F24-00303-0037).**

Mayor Arriola stated any questions. Nothing was heard.

Mayor Arriola stated do I have a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-07.

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Motion by Council Member Macmann, second by Council Member McClusky to adopt Resolution 2018-07.

ROLL CALL ON ABOVE MOTION: Council Member Arriola, yes; Council Member Joy, yes; Council Member Macmann, yes; Council Member Madden, yes; Council Member McClusky, yes; Council Member Sands, yes; Council Member Thompson, yes; 7 yes 0 no

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Arriola stated next is Solar Power discussion.

Municipal Manager Markus stated this past Monday Dave and I had the opportunity to attend the school board meeting and listen to a presentation by a Vendor by the name of Solar Power & Light. Their proposal for the school is to put up a small solar site on the south east corner of the school property at Fuls Road and Main Street. The orientation of the solar cells will be to the south, so the twelve foot backend of it, that is in your handout, will be the end closest to Main Street and the four feet front end will be the one closest to the school. That corner is immediately west of our water storage tower. The secondary site is behind the high school between the building and the residential structures.

This proposal will reduce the energy footprint of the school to a green energy. Anything that is left over will be able to be sold. They will be getting their energy per kilowatt at a lesser dollar amount than what they currently are from ESC. It actually looks like a good proposal from them. I talked with the School Board and told them that if there was something the Village could partner with them on this proposal or a similar proposal we would like to explore that. They were all positive about those comments. I think it is something that we need to look at too. I am not certain exactly how much of a partnership we can get into with them in terms of the use from one site. The Vendor I spoke with after the meeting said basically two entities means two contracts for two sites. Maybe what we could do is using the secondary site if the school board would agree to it would be to put up a small facility that we could run from their right of way on the east edge of their property to Clayton Road and that would allow us to have power for the Court House Building, for the Fire Station, and for the Municipal Building. Basically, without talking about the complete handout is to do a mini straw poll and ask each if you if you would be interested in having me to continue to explore this and at some point come back to council after I meet with the vendors and present what we think might be a good proposal.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Gale I will start with you. Is this something you would like me to continue to work on.

Council Member Joy asked what is the initial cost?

Municipal Manager Markus stated the cost actually does not impact whoever the customer is because in the handout they talk about a ten to 25 year contract. The ten is for the private sector. If you are a government or school they have to have you in a twenty year contract because the federal tax exemptions and federal tax breaks are not there. So if we are to do this then we would be involved in a 25 year contract, the option to buy it out at 6 year mark and then there would be a proposal developed based on the energy needs for each of the facilities in the projected energy needs that would tell them what the rate would be. Right now we are actually paying 2 cents less for kWh than what they propose selling to the schools but with DP&L's next rate increase from the PUCO that number may change after our current contract length so it could be that at that point we break even. At some point if we continue to stay with private

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sector vendors without exploring solar power we could be paying more for kWh. Cost is not ours until the end of the contract.

Municipal Manager Markus stated I already have a yes from Council Member Joy.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Doug.

Council Member Thompson stated I am curious as to what the utility cost is for the three facilities are.

Municipal Manager Markus stated in FY2017 we spent \$113,601.85 purchasing electric power for our eighteen separate locations that use electric power in one form or another. Some of these locations are the obvious ones such as the Court House, the Municipal Building, the Fire Station, the Service Yards, the Sewer Plant, the Water Plant, etc. The not so obvious locations might be the sewer lift stations, the traffic lights, the park restrooms, the tennis court, the park shelters, the stage area at Don Rusk, the gazebos, our storage facility on East Weaver, etc. In FY2017 we averaged \$9,466.82 a month expended for electric service. In FY2018 we've averaged \$8,864.39. We have been "slowly going green" with a change out of lighting and fixtures to LED's in the Municipal Building, the Court House, the Service Yard Facilities, and the Fire Station. While not yet completely changed out to the LED style of lighting, we are already expecting to experience an annual savings of approximately \$7,236.00 in our electric power bill for this current fiscal year.

Council Member Thompson stated it is great if you want to try to save money go for it.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Carol.

Council Member Macmann stated yes.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Ray.

Mayor Arriola stated yes.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Glenna.

Vice Mayor Madden stated yes.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Hillary.

Council Member McClusky stated yes.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Chris.

Council Member Sands stated yes.

Municipal Manager Markus stated I heard 7 of you say so we will pursue this and see where we end up.

Mayor Arriola stated next is public comments or questions. If anybody has any comments or questions please come forward to the podium and state your name and address for the record.

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS**

None

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF COMMENTS**

Mayor Arriola stated we will go to administrative staff comments.

Mayor Arriola stated Police Chief Daulton.

Police Chief Daulton stated today we received our drug box to collect unwanted medication at the Village Offices. Medication should be dumped out of the bottles into a zip lock sandwich bag. We will not be able to take liquids, syringe's or sharps.

Mayor Arriola stated anyone have anything for the Police Chief.

Recreation & Community Development Specialist Alex stated I have a question. With that program can people drop off the drugs any time?

Municipal Manager Markus asked is it between normal business hours or can they come in on weekends and have a road officer come in?

Police Chief Daulton stated we put in the newsletter the hours would be 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday.

Recreation & Community Development Specialist Alex stated so if someone were coming in they would just come into the office.

Police Chief Daulton stated yes the office would then call someone to come in to take the drugs.

Recreation & Community Development Specialist Alex stated this is something that needs to be advertised.

Police Chief Daulton stated it was put in the Community Newsletter.

Mayor Arriola stated Fire Chief.

Municipal Manager/Fire Chief Markus stated I have nothing tonight sir.

Mayor Arriola stated anyone have anything for the Fire Chief. Nothing was heard.

Mayor Arriola stated Zoning Compliance Officer David.

Zoning Compliance Officer David Lunsford stated we received the 2018 CDBG Block Grant for the Demolition for this year which is due in April. I think Council Member Joy had asked me about O'Reilly's. It is due to bid next Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. They are taking bids for a contractor to construct the building. They will make the announcement of the contractor in early April.

Mayor Arriola stated anything for the Zoning Compliance Officer.

Mayor Arriola stated Chief Financial Officer Brenda.

Municipal Manager/Fire Chief stated she has nothing tonight sir.

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Mayor Arriola asked are there any questions for Brenda?

Mayor Arriola stated Service Department Superintendent Scott Brock.

Municipal Manager/Fire Chief Markus stated he has nothing tonight sir. He is preparing for whatever snow, 2 to 4 or 4 to 6 this evening. We have plenty of salt.

Council Member Thompson stated I have comment for Scott. I love the trees and the way they are trimmed back along St Rt 35. Thank you.

Municipal Manager/Fire Chief Markus stated I will pass it along.

Mayor Arriola stated I ditto that.

Mayor Arriola stated Parks and Rec. Starr.

Starr Joy stated we are in the process of doing high school intern interviews. We have 24 applicants. So far, they are going great. We announced our Friday Night Out on Facebook. Please see the flyer in front of you. It will be a Mills Park on the Third Friday of every month May to September between the hours of 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm. Our first community workshop went really well. We had lots of great feedback. Please see the summary sheet in front of you. It was really positive and a good atmosphere. We have launched a collection for our Main Street beautification project. A couple who are from Kettering will be crocheting and creating dream catchers for us to decorate the stretch of Main Street for June, July, and the beginning of August. We will be accepting donation of yarn, lace, ribbon, and crafting hoops until April 12. The box is in the lobby. Hometown Hero deadline for 2018 is April 2. It will be the last chance for people to turn in applications to have banners hanging this year in town. The Free Book Friday is now obsolete. We have created the community bookshelf for people to enjoy 5 days a week during the office hours. We are accepting food truck, vendors, and local business applications to be a part of all of our events this year. Please help us spread the word if you know of anyone that may want to get involved. Our first 3 on 3 Tournament last Saturday went really well. We had 10 teams (40 participants) the United Methodist Church raised \$200.00 for their renovation of their Church. McDonalds donated 10 per cent of their sales at the grand reopening event which amounted to \$200.00 for the Parks and Rec Department. We really appreciate that donation from them.

Starr asked are there any questions?

Council Member Joy asked what percentage were males and girls who attended your Self Defense Workshop?

Starr stated a couple of them were males but most were women. We did not focus on women's self defense. It was more like pressure points and getting out of dangerous situations, mostly escape.

Council Member Joy asked are they coming back?

Starr replied hopefully.

Vice Mayor Madden stated what color yarns or ribbons or you don't care.

Recreation & Community Development Specialist Alex stated a couple from Kettering who own Two Krafty Goats offered to help with the Beautification Project we are

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launching. They are very talented, but they will accept help. Any type or color of yarn will be appreciated.

Mayor Arriola stated thank you Starr and Alex.

Mayor Arriola stated Municipal Manager comments.

#### **MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

Municipal Manager Markus stated Randy Brewer is the person buying the property at the Industrial Park. Last fall I was talking with him about an ED/GE Grant, so he calls this morning with the deadline less than two weeks away and has decided that he wants an ED/GE Grant. So I made a few telephone calls to Montgomery County to make sure we still had time. I called him back so we will be applying for about \$52,000 for him. Typically the things ED/GE will cover will stay with the property, like electric, concrete, etc. He would like the money to do the concrete floor for his building as well as his parking lot. We intend to have our part of it finished as long as he gets everything to me by next Wednesday, we can meet the deadline. That is all I have tonight.

Mayor Arriola stated any questions for the Manager. Nothing was heard.

Council Member Macmann asked have we heard anything the auto parts place?

Municipal Manager Markus stated Dave recently had a conversation with someone about that.

Municipal Manager Markus stated Dave would you share what you learned?

Zoning Compliance Officer Lunsford stated bids will be excepted until Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. They will make the announcement of the contractor in early April.

Council Member Macmann stated I am sorry, I missed that.

#### **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mayor Arriola stated Chris.

Council Member Sands stated I have nothing.

Mayor Arriola stated Hillary.

Council Member McClusky stated I have nothing.

Mayor Arriola stated Carol.

Council Member Macmann stated I have nothing this evening.

Mayor Arriola stated Doug.

Council Member Thompson stated I have nothing this evening.

Mayor Arriola stated Gale.

Council Member Joy stated I have nothing this evening.

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Mayor Arriola stated Glenna.

**VICE MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

Vice Mayor Madden stated I have nothing.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

Mayor Arriola stated I have nothing myself.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Arriola stated do I have a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Council Member Thompson, second by Council Member Madden to adjourn the meeting.

**ROLL CALL ON ABOVE MOTION.;** Council Member Joy, yes; Council Member Macmann, yes; Council Member Madden, yes; Council Member McClesky, yes; Council Member Sands, yes; Council Member Thompson, yes; Council Member Arriola, yes 7 yes 0 no

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Approved:

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Mayor Date

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Clerk of Council Date