Council met in regular session Monday, August 20, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Council present: Karon Lane-pres., Brooke Smith, John Hudik, Justin Kreischer, Richard Sauerlender and John Pupos.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guests** – Gary Loar, John Schwab Cub master Pack 239 and Deputy Koncsh

**Guest** Gary Loar was given the floor. Mr. Loar representing the Metamora United Methodist Church recently spoke with Village Solicitor Alan Lehenbauer about the best approach to proceeding with paperwork to allow the new church to tie into Metamora’s sewer system. Attorney Lehenbauer said the best way is to ask council to allow the mayor to enter into a contract with the Metamora United Methodist Church and Attorney Lehenbauer would write up the contract for the annexation. Annexation paperwork would include language requiring the church to annex into the village when the other properties between the church and the village limits are willing to annex. Kreischer asked if the Mr. Truckor was asked to annex part of his farm to allow the church to abut village limits. Loar said Truckor was “ok” with annexing but it was found to be less expensive to get easements from homeowners along the route and run the sewer pipe across their front yards. Loar said Attorney Lehenbauer is in the process of writing up easements for the church to present to the homeowners in route. Mike Anderzack will install a forced main and a grinder pump and push a 2” line to the catch basin inside village limits; where the sewer isn’t deep enough to install gravity fed system. Homes wanting to annex into the village would also have to install grinder pumps. Sauerlender said from past experience with the installation of a grinder pump he recalls it costing around $3,000. Kreischer said this cost would deter homeowners from annexing into the village. Kreischer asked if a 2” sewer line would be large enough for other homes to tap in. Loar said Mike Anderzack told him multiple families could tie into the 2” line.

With the church being outside village limits, a sewer rate will need to be established for them. Karon Lane suggested charging the same amount of sur-charge Assumption water users were charged when the village supplied them water. They were also outside village limits. The church already has public water, so sewer would be billed according to amount of water used and applied to their bi-monthly bill.

Richard Sauerlender said he is not ready to allow the mayor to enter into a contract until the contract is presented to council for review and approval. All agreed.

Where will the grinder pump be located? The grinder would be at the church. Sauerlender asked about a forced system – how many taps can you have on a line before you have to enlarge the line? Sauerlender would like to see the design on paper and prefers a design that allows the homes (with easements) to tap into it the line. Who would own the line and be responsible for maintenance? Council agreed they want church to own and maintain the line until annexation occurs. Will the church charge others to tap into their line? Loar said probably. The church is responsible to pay all legal fees associated with easements and sewer tie-in contract. Sue asked if this was an engineered project. It is not. Mike Anderzack is doing the project for the church. Specs will be needed for council to take a closer look into this matter. Gary will forward answers to the village.

**Guest** John Schwab with Cub Scout Pack 239 was given the floor. Saturday, August 25, 2018, will be the Pack’s annual cub-car race. Apologized for the late notice. Like in previous years we will temporarily closing down Swanton Street. The lady and gentleman on the corner house watch the car race and have each year. They use the fire department equipment. Rich Sauerlender motioned to allow Cub Scout use of Swanton Street August 25th. Second by Karon Lane and approved by all council. Race time noon to 4.

**Minutes** – Justin Kreischer moved to approve August 6, 2018 council minutes as written. Second of motion by Brooke Smith and approved by all council.

**Reading of Bills**-

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| **Bills Already Paid** |   |   |  |
| Susan Clendenin | Wages 08/02-15/2018 | 1,005.00 |  |
| Catherine Vorst | Wages 08/02-15/2018 | 710.00 |  |
| Steven Venia | Wages 08/02-15/2018 | 1,617.80 |  |
| Jamie VanAlstine | Wages 08/02-15/2018 | 962.50 |  |
| Ken Wysong | Salary for August | 350.00 |  |
| Justin Kreischer | Council Salary for August | 150.00 |  |
| Jeff Pawlaczyk | Admin Pay for August | 105.00 |  |
| Rick Meiring | Sewer Consultant Pay for August | 500.00 |  |
| **Bills to be paid:** |   |   |  |
| Evergreen Community News | Park-O-Rama Ad | 120.00 |  |
| Sue Clendenin | Park-O-Rama Supplies | 92.98 |  |
| Eisel Construction | Sewer Repair @ 234 Garnsey | 2,587.63 |  |
| Fresh Cut Lawn Service | Mosquito Sprayings | 463.95 |  |
| Smith Law Office | July Services | 420.00 |  |
| John Pupos | Pop Up Tent | 49.99 |  |
| LOWE'S | L&B Replacement Tools, POR Supplies, Concrete Supplies+ | 719.70 |  |
| Matt Vaculik | Sauce/Charcoal | 562.00 |  |
| Ohio Gas Co | Heat for shop and office | 19.06 |  |
| Perry Protech | Copier Maintenance | 44.85 |  |
| John McAfee | Park-O-Rama Band Additional Hour | 150.00 |  |
| St Mary's Meat | 700 Chicken Halves | 1,141.00 |  |
| State Line Observer | Park-O-Rama Ad | 43.75 |  |
| T-Mart | Additional Beverages | 220.84 |  |
| Treas. Fulton County | Police Protection | 425.00 |  |
| Century Link | August Phone and Fax Billing | 238.16 |  |
| Cintas Corp | Uniforms | 15.82 |  |
| Verizon | Employee Cell Phone | 49.70 |  |
| Village of Lyons | Concession Supplies | 357.78 |  |
| Village of Swanton | Street Sweeping and Storm Drains | 1,375.00 |  |
| Catherine Vorst | Costco - Anniv Cakes | 94.95 |  |
| John Deere Financial | Gator Supplies | 24.52 |  |
| Angela Smith | August Consult | 640.00 |  |
| Kuhlman Corp | Base for a man hole cover | 173.50 |  |
| Econo Signs | 2 stop sign faces and freight | 75.82 |  |
| Co-man | Porta-pot for Park-O-Rama | 75.00 |  |
| Advanced Sanitation | Carts and Dumpsters for Park-O-Rama | 250.00 |  |
|   |   | 15,831.30 |  |

Justin Kreischer moved to pay bills as presented. Second of motion by Brooke Smith and approved by all council.

**Old Business** –

Justin Kreischer moved to approve the second reading of **Ordinance #979**, establishing a Central Purchasing, Electronic Banking and a Credit Card Policy. Second of motion by Brooke Smith and approved by all council.

Justin Kreischer moved to pass the second reading of **Ordinance #980**, establishing a Petty Cash Policy. Second of motion by Brooke Smith and approved by all council.

**Zoning Update** – Junk vehicle was removed from a village residence, as requested by council. Zoning inspector was asked to provide council copies of all outgoing zoning communications.

**New Business** – reviewed a letter from the Evergreen Community Library Board President expressing safety concerns for residents and employees working within the village limits. Recent incidents including a serious encounter with a Metamora resident and the library’s fiscal officer and her family caused concern about the lack of police protection in the village and the response time once 911 is called. They would like the village to consider options available to improve public safety within the Village. A possible contract for frequent police surveillance and faster 911 response time is made with using closer villages; like Swanton or Berkey.

Mayor Wysong asked Deputy Koncsh if the Sherriff’s Dept. knew of anything about the reference made in the Evergreen letter. Karon Lane noted the letter was written on the 13th. Mayor Wysong stated there was nothing noted in the Sherriff’s report. The library letter indicated a late response time and several incidents. This is the first time council heard of the incident other than Jane informing Sue by phone earlier in the week. The deputy did recall an incident with a resident on the west end of the apartments on West Main Street. Mayor Wysong said he also had a brief run-in with this tenant. The deputy said the person in question was briefly incarcerated and no longer resides in the village. A copy of the letter was given to the Deputy. Sounds like it was taken care of. The letter from the library is very vague about the other incidents. Deputy Koncsh said there is almost always an officer in the northeastern part of Fulton County and should be available within minutes, unless other issues are ongoing. . The State Highway department also comes thru the village. They are available. Delta and Swanton will also respond. Council will still consider if additional security options are available for the Village. Mayor Wysong asked if the deputy noticed the blinking beacons on top of the stop signs at the intersection of Main & Maple Street. Hopefully this makes it safer.

**Personnel & Finance**- Recommend moving Jamie back to 3 days since Park-O-Rama is finished. This winter we would like to get Jamie in the truck with Steve to learn how to snow plow. Lands and Building suggesting she stay on 4 days for time being to work on repair of the walking trails after installed. There will be a lot of dirt to get rid of. She would be there until this is complete. Jamie indicated she had to push back some projects due to Park-O-Rama, so she has plenty to do.

Catherine appreciated Jamie communicating her schedule. This is helpful when we have a call and need to get a hold of her. Jamie indicated she will be out Sept 11 and will be out a few days. Justin indicated she can flex her schedule if need be. Maybe Steve can communicate his schedule also.

**Lands and Building** – Since there is a regulation indicating no hunting in the village, we do not allow goose hunting. Is the lagoon in the village, Justin asked? Yes it is. Sue will call Mr. Nagy tomorrow to let him know the request is denied.

Not sure the blinking lights are totally working. They are checking the cost of a light over the road. The blinking would be moved to County 2. They are bright but the focus is where the traffic lights are located. People are used to looking for a traffic light.

Work on park trail extension will start this week. Rich and Jamie mapped out. Look for the white paint. Kreischer asked if the new path will go around Sierra’s bench. Yes, responded Sauerlender. In case, we cut back at the end of the playground towards Garnsey. We are trying to negotiate about fixing a couple of spots in the park that are not right and fix Garnsey. Jamie is going to work on this. Justin asked if we had an estimate of what this would cost. Justin was asking for a figure for council to approve. Sauerlender said it shouldn’t cost anything extra since we are shortening up some work on pathway in the park. If it costs us anything, we will not do it. Kreischer said it will be less expensive to have Allied make road repair while they have their equipment in town. We should get repair done. Sauerlender asked council to authorize spending up to $ 1,500 to repair road damage in front of 234 Garnsey Avenue due to a recent sewer repair. Second of motion by Kreischer and approved by all council.

**Fiscal Officer’s Report** – Matt Keller asking to rent ball fields Sunday, October 14th from Noon to 5 p.m.

He would like to have a few girls’ softball games. Willing to pay village $200 for field use and will bring his equipment to prep fields. Would like use of bathrooms. Council approved.

Preliminary financials for Park-O-Rama reflect a $9,000 profit.

Justin Kreischer unable to attend Council meeting September 10th and Brooke Smith unable to attend September 24 meeting.

**Mayor’s Report** – Read Sheriff’s report for July. Officer’s spent a total of 39 ½ hours patrolling the village. Of the total hours, 12 hours were spent on the morning shift 20.5 hours on the afternoon shift and 7 hours on the midnight shift. Officer handles 6 complaints.

Invite from Metamora Amboy Volunteer Fire Department to attend The Fallen Heroes Memorial Sunday, September 9th at 2:00 p.m. at the fire station. Also, an invite to attend a retirement party for Toledo Edison local representative Gary Keys at Sullivan’s restaurant this Friday.

Mayor thanked all those involved with this year’s successful Park-O-Rama. The Park-O-Rama committee will have a follow up meeting August 27th.

**Adjournment –** Kreischer moved to adjourn. Second of motion by Sauerlender and approved by all council.

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Mayor – Ken Wysong VFO – Catherine Vorst