Metamora Village Council met in regular session Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Office.

Council present: Karon Lane-pres., Karen Noward, Cindi Pawlaczyk, John Pupos with Cathy Mossing and John Hudik attending via Zoom.

Other officials present: Mayor Richard Sauerlender, VFO Susan Clendenin and Village Solicitor Alan Lehenbauer.

**Guests**: Joe Short and Jonathan Miksanek

Mayor Sauerlender opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Short was given the floor. Mr. Short is running for Fulton County Commissioner this fall and provided a brief bio on himself. Mr. Short is the owner of Joe Short Insurance. Presented his qualifications, including history as a county commissioner, along with his vision for the future of Fulton County. Would appreciate our vote at the polls November 2.

**Minutes** – Karen Noward moved to approve minutes as written from the August 17, 2020 council meeting, second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council.

**Bills** –

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| **READING OF THE BILLS** | | | | |
| DATE | CHECK# | **Payroll Payments** | **September 9, 2020** |  |
| 9/1/2020 | 24397 | Sue Clendenin | Wages 8/13 - 8/26 | 810.00 |
| 9/1/2020 | 24398 | Steve Venia | Wages 8/13 - 8/26 | 1,620.00 |
| 9/1/2020 | 24399 | Tiffany Venia | Wages 8/13 - 8/26 | 511.50 |
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|  |  | **Vendor Payments:** |  |  |
|  |  | **EFT Payments** |  |  |
| 8/31/2020 |  | Metamora State Bank | Cares Act Acct Service Fee | 5.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | EFTPS | Village Share for Social Security & Medicare | 128.08 |
|  |  | **CHECKS:** |  |  |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Advanced Sanitation | Trash Pick Up | 50.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Habitec Security | Security Monitoring & Maintenance | 228.90 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Angela Smith | Financial Consultation | 1,260.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Toledo Edison | Electricity | 1,386.20 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Treasurer of Fulton County | Police Protection | 425.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Treasurer-State of Ohio | Curbing during Resurfacing-SR 64 | 4,830.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Trisha Gleckler | Office Cleaning Fee | 50.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Design Memorial | 2 Bronze Nameplates | 300.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Tri-County Fuels | Diesel | 97.72 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Lucky Farmers | Grass seed & Weed Killer | 243.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Mike's Repair | Batteries, sensor, labor | 426.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Gov. Acct. Solutions | Annual License & Support | 3,000.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | Fresh Cut Lawn | (2) Mosquito Sprays | 324.94 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | LOWE's | Paint, Treated Lumber, Misc. | 582.80 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | OUPS | (1) Manual Call-Out | 4.00 |
| 9/10/2020 |  | FCHD | Spec. Event Food Permit | 44.00 |

TOTAL $16,327.14

Karen Noward moved to pay the bills as presented. Second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council.

**Solicitor’s Report** – Provided his legal opinion on suggested updates the Personnel & Finance Committee are recommending for the updates to the Employee Handbook.

**Old Business**- John Sanderson said the dead trees and brush on his Swanton Street property will be cleaned up following crop removal. Sue called Toledo Edison again, requesting removal of the two dead trees on Swanton Street that have branches laying on the power lines. She hast yet to hear back from Edison. Karen Noward voiced concern with another tree in poor condition also having branches in the power lines, tree located at 410 Swanton Street. Inform Edison and the homeowner of the poor tree condition. Mayor Sauerlender also mentioned a tree behind the Lutheran Church that also has branches in the power lines. Edison was supposed to trim this tree but never did. Sue asked to inform Mr. Sanderson to have dead trees removed by November or village will have them removed and send a bill to the property owner.

Karen Noward asked is something was wrong with the sidewalk in front of the Village Office. Some sections are sinking and have orange paint sprayed on them. John Pupos said we painted the lines because someone had tripped. John Pupos has made calls to concrete leveling companies; one wants pictures and measurements (John has pictures but not measurements) and the other company never called back. Karen N. asked if the waterline break caused the sidewalk to sink? We do not know. John P. suggested cutting hole and camera underneath to see if any washout occurred.

**New Business**- The area around the Special Olympics donation box that is located in Maple Street Parking lot has become an eyesore. Trash is being left at the site on a regular basis. Following discussion, Karon Lane made a motion to have the donation bin removed. Second of motion by Cathy Mossing and approved by all council.

Karen Noward asked if anyone watched the Zoom meeting this morning on Grant Relief opportunities for small business offered by Fulton County. No one had. Council to pass information on to small businesses.

F**iscal Officer’s Report**-ODOT is requiring the village to pass a Resolution proposing cooperation with them to resurface SR 64 and SR 120 within Village limits, and to agree to pay $4,830 for curb repair requested by the village. John Pupos moved to enter into contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation, allowing the state to repave state roads inside village limits, with the village responsible for costs incurred, of approximately $4,830 to replace curbing where the village deemed necessary. Second of motion by Karon Lane and approved by all council.

2020 County Auction has been cancelled.

A village resident would like to turn-in their outside meter and recoup deposit. Stating lack of use. The clerk said the resident was on the list to have been sent a letter in August of 2016, that explained to those with second meters that they could keep their outside meter and continue to receive sewer credits or return the meter for a refund of their $90 deposit. Residents were given until September 2016, to decide. Letters were not mail certified, so not sure if they received this letter or not. The resident does not remember receiving the letter. Following discussion, John Pupos moved to allow the resident to return their second meter. In exchange the village will return $90 deposit fee, if returned in working condition.

2020 Appropriation amendment requested; Karon Lane motioned to increase B1-6-D-240 Storm Drain Supplies by $1,000, to cover costs of catch basin repair. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

The Village Budget Hearing with the County Auditor is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m.

The Village recently received a second round of COVID relief funds in the amount of $12,799.98. Clerks are investigating acceptable purchases. Several items have already been ordered.

**Upcoming Chicken BBQ** – Scheduled for October 4th at 11a.m. Matt Vaculik will order 600 chicken halves from St. Mary’s Meat Market. Sue purchased charcoal and food containers, also completing necessary paperwork to receive a Special Event Food Permit. T’Mart has given village permission to use their parking lot again. We will also sell chicken in the park, where Matt will barbeque. The Fulton County Health Department has given us verbal approval to sell BBQ at two sites. Need additional help to sell chicken, at least 3 to 4 people per selling site. Sites will be set up as drive-thru.

NEWS was asked to reimburse the village the cost of $260 to clean the office basement following the waterline break that cause it to flood. Ziad said according to their insurance there is no negligence associated with this waterline break, the County would not be legally liable for damage to a third party. Furthermore the Fulton County Water Use Regulations specifies the County disclaims any responsibility for damages by water to any person or real property caused by leaks, broken pipes, meters or fixtures whether privately or publicly owned. A claim will not be made to the village insurance carrier due to the cleaning cost being less than our deductible.

A request was received from a resident asking the village to consider abating penalties and interest accumulated on late filing fees of village income tax for years 2013, 2014 and 2015. The resident has since paid the delinquent income tax and is paid up to date. Discussion followed. Cathy Mossing moved to waive the penalty fees of $510.21. Resident will still be responsible for interest fees. Second of motion by Karen Noward and approved by all council. Sue will notify both the resident and R.I.T.A. of council’s decision.

Two abandoned and/or inoperable vehicles have been towed from the Maple Street parking lot. Both vehicles had not been moved in months and had outdated license plates. Crissey Road Auto Sales will auction vehicles in a couple weeks. The Village will receive funds from the auction minus $175 towing cost.

**Mayor’s Report**-Cam-Tech Industrial Services, LLC. submitted a quote to video 3,200 feet of interceptor line, at a per foot cost of $1.50, a total cost of $4,800. Cost per foot includes travel time, cleaning & video inspection, copies of the videos on a thumb drive and individual segment maps. A second quote was received from GPRS for a total cost of $7,100. John Hudik motioned to hire Cam-Tech to video our sewer interceptor. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

A quote of $375 was submitted by John Pupos Sr. to repair brick on Village Office roof. Karon Lane moved to approve the brick repair quote for $375. Second of motion by Karen Noward and approved by council with John Pupos abstaining.

Habitec Security was out last Friday to change the sensor and update the software on the camera at the Mill Street Shop. Cost was covered under maintenance agreement.

**Adjournment**- Karen Noward moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Second of motion by John Pupos and approved by all council.

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Mayor- Richard Sauerlender VFO – Susan Clendenin