**VILLAGE OF MOUNT STERLING, OHIO**

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Martin at 7:01 pm

Attending the meeting: Mayor Billy Martin Village Solicitor-Mark Pitstick

 Fiscal Officer- Courtney Bricker Council Member- Pres. Pro Temp Rebecca Burns

 Council Member-Lowell Anderson Utility Clerk- Misty Vance (absent)

Council Member Tom Ward Sheriff- Jack Dill

Council Member David Timmons

Council Member Becky Martin

Council Member Tammy Vansickle

Motion to approve minutes from council meeting from August 27, 2018

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | Lowell  | ***COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:*** |
| **2 ND** | David  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom**  |  **X** |  |
| **David**  |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to approve minutes from water/ waste water work session from September 5, 2018

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | David  | ***COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:*** |
| **2 ND** | Tom  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom**  |  **X** |  |
| **David**  |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to approve minutes from water/waste water work session September 7, 2018

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | Tom  | ***COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:*** |
| **2 ND** | Becky  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom**  |  **X** |  |
| **David**  |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

**Sheriff’s Report:**

Jack Dill- No report

**Village Solicitor:**

Mark Pitstick – No report

**Utilities Clerk:**

Misty Vance- No report (absent) Billy and Courtney stated that there were several payments taken in

**Village Administrator/Fiscal Officer/Clerk of Council:**

Courtney Bricker- Continuing to mow properties from nuisance and abatement and village property. Handling sewage complaints and were not village issues from lines. Water plant and sewer plant are operating. London possibly wanting to purchase some equipment. Built a retaining a water to help with the INI flooding issue at the sewer plant. No flooding was reported from the large rain fall. Mayor Martin stated that there is always something going on in the community on issues and expect village to address quickly. Grindings in pot holes and village property for mowing. We have to stay on top of the issues reported.

Fiscal Officer: Waiting for response from the state auditors if any funding adjustments will be completed. Reminded council to pay attention to the water and sewer funds and up coming loans in December. Mayor Martin stated that it upsets him that previous administration allowed the village to pay a bill costing the electricity to be $10,000 monthly. We have spoke to experts on how to reduce electricity.

***Motions for Acceptance of Financial Reports:***

Motion to accept Appropriation Status Report

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | David | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**  Courtney Discussed report details  |
| **2 ND** | Becky |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept Payment Listing Report

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | Tom | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Tammy  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell**  |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept Receipt Listing Report

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | David | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**  Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Tom  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept Cash Summary by Fund Report

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | Becky  | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Rebecca |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept Revenue Status Report

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** | David | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Rebecca |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept RITA Reports

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** |  Becky  | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Tammy  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept Comparison of Budget and Appropriated

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** |  Becky | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**  Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Tammy  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Motion to accept Bank Reconciliation for August 2018

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  N/A |
| **Motion** |  David | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**  Courtney Discussed report details |
| **2 ND** | Rebecca |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

***Committee Reports:***

**Finance:** (Council Member Rebecca Burns reporting): Continue to monitor PO’s and different funds. next finance meeting scheduled for Sept. 17 at 2:00pm. Thanked finance committee is ensuring procedures are followed.

**Pleasant Township:** (Council Member Becky Martin reporting) No report

**Sterling Joint Ambulance District (Squad):** (Council Member Lowell Anderson reporting) Next meeting is Sept. 12

**Tri-County Fire District:** (Council Member Tom Ward reporting) See attached

**Water/Wastewater (Utilities):** (Council Member Rebecca Burns reporting) Held 2 works sessions since last council meeting. Council met with Frank from Environmental Engineering hired to perform a rate study on water/ waste water funds. First work session discussed the results of the study. Also mentioned that there will be a deficit in those funds stating next year. Second work session held to discuss the options and determine a recommendation. Two additional work sessions will be held on Sept. 11 at 1:00 and Sept. 17 at 1:00. Thanked council members on working on this complex situation. Ensuring the payments, operating and future projects.

**Streets:** (Council Member Rebecca Burns) No report will be scheduling a meeting date and time TBD

**Record of Retention:** (Council Member Lowell Anderson reporting) No report will be scheduling a meeting date and time TBD

**Parks and Recreation:** (Council Member Rebecca Burns) No report will be scheduling a meeting date and time TBD

**Nuisance and Abatement:** (Council Member Tammy Vansickle) Thanks the residents for complying and working with the village on their tags. Advised that the Parks Director has advised that the park is in need of mowing and is aware. She takes no favoritism on who and what business they are but making sure laws are followed. Recurring meeting is on the last Wednesday of each month at 3:30pm. With the up coming season change reminded everyone that leaves and branches should not be out on curbs.

**Block Watch:** (Council Member Tom Ward) See attached

***Ordinance/Resolutions:***

Resolution 2018- 52: Motion to suspend rules on resolution declaring starting pay rates for the non-exempt village employees and declaring an emergency

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  2018-52 |
| **Motion** | David  | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** \*Mayor Martin advised council that the mechanic that was recommended has found another job and will no longer be interested in position at the village. Lowell: asked if he is willing to work part time? Mayor Martin advised yes by the job/project. Hope to have street sweeper looked at for fixing \*Tammy-abstained |
| **2 ND** |  Rebecca |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  |  **X** |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: Failed: X (as an emergency)** |

Resolution 2018- 52: Motion to place resolution on 1st reading declaring starting pay rates for the non-exempt village employees and declaring an emergency

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| **Ordinance:** N/A **Resolution:**  2018-52 |
| **Motion** | Lowell  | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**  Tammy-abstained  |
| **2 ND** | Becky  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  |  **X**  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X**  |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X (1st reading) Failed:**  |

Ordinance 2018- 53: Motion to suspend the rules on an ordinance amending the 2018 budget and making changes in appropriations for current property insurance premium in the account 2011-620-353-0000 and increasing item 1000-320-352 during fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 and declaring an emergency

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| **Ordinance:**  2018-53 **Resolution:**   |
| **Motion** | David  | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** \*Courtney explained reason for ordinance and budget change  |
| **2 ND** | Tammy |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Ordinance 2018- 53: Motion to place resolution on 1,2,3 readings on an ordinance amending the 2018 budget and making changes in appropriations for current property insurance premium in the account 2011-620-353-0000 and increasing item 1000-320-352 during fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 and declaring an emergency

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| **Ordinance:**  2018-53 **Resolution:**   |
| **Motion** | Rebecca | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** \*Courtney explained reason for ordinance and budget change  |
| **2 ND** | Becky  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

Ordinance 2018- 53: Motion for passage an ordinance amending the 2018 budget and making changes in appropriations for current property insurance premium in the account 2011-620-353-0000 and increasing item 1000-320-352 during fiscal year ending December 31, 2018 and declaring an emergency

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| **Ordinance:**  2018-53 **Resolution:**   |
| **Motion** | David | **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:** \*Courtney explained reason for ordinance and budget change  |
| **2 ND** | Rebecca  |
| **Voice Vote** | **YES** | **NO** |
|  | **Lowell** |  **X** |  |
| **Tom** |  **X** |  |
| **David** |  **X** |  |
| **Rebecca** |  **X** |  |
| **Tammy** |  **X** |  |
|  | **Becky** |  **X** |  |  |
| **Result of Vote: Passed: X Failed:**  |

***Round Table:***

**David-** Anniversary of 911 Sept. 11 and the remembrance of this day. It has changed our country

**Tom**- No report

**Rebecca-** Was asked by residents when trick or treat would be and most said they would like to see it on Halloween night Oct 31 from 6-7:30pm. Business would also like to have the Halloween parade after. Motion was taken Rebecca and 2nd by Lowell to accept trick or treat on Oct. 31 from 6:00-7:30pm. Roll call was taken by council all in favor. Motion was passed.

Rebecca received a post on facebook about the before and after of the old Depot. Spoke to a person (Darrell Cooper) that was trying to bring renovation back to the Depot. He has worked for 10 years to obtain an answer on the restoring. Mr. Cooper has written a letter on the history of the Depot built in 1885 closed 1973 and has not been used since. Lowell confirmed that the Depot is part of the historic district. Owners have not provided any maintenance. to the building and animal control has removed animals and vandalism. CSX and INO just leasing tracks and not owner. A group of people would like to restore and ensure it would not get torn down. Mark was sent suggestions on this and group was not able to get a definite answer if allowed. An important history of Mt. Sterling’s Depot. David advised there are Depots being restored. Lowell advised that he assisted in the research and was told village could have it but wanted something in writing.

**Lowell**- No report

**Tammy**- No report

**Becky**- Final fall street market Oct. 6 10-2. Have received several vendors (free). Community Center will have 5K walk in morning on Oct. 6. Christmas in the Village on Friday Nov. 30 other activities on Dec. 3 (youth league, community center and parade)

**Mayor Martin**- Sept. 24 next council meeting he will be on the “soap box” he has a lot to say and will be saying it. Expose a lot of things that went on and make public aware what has been going on in this town, this is the reality.

***Public Comments/Questions:***

A resident showed concern on a mobile home on Temple St. and said that the camper is plugged in and has not moved every 24 hrs. He wants to ensure that nuisance and abatement was aware.

Meeting adjourned by Mayor Martin at 7:52 pm

Respectfully submitted:

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Courtney Bricker, Fiscal Officer/Clerk of Council William Martin, Mayor