

Village of Pewamo
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2017

Present: Randy Zenk, Dan Heckman, Michael Yerge, Jim Cassel, Steve Meyers, Carl Hafner, Sandy Wolniakowski, Mike Scollon, & Rob Sterner Absent: Joni Jegla and Joe Lambert

Guests: Charles Babcock, Lyons Twp. Supervisor

President Zenk began the meeting at 7:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Zenk invited Charles Babcock's comments to Council.

- Charles presented Council with Lyon's Twp's second donation to the fire department for the purchase and renovation of the new site in the amount of \$10,000. Council expressed their thanks to Lyon's Twp. for their support of this project.

President Zenk called for review of the Meeting Agenda:

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Yerge to approve the Meeting Agenda. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Heckman. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

President Zenk's Comments: The Village has received the Special Tribute for former Fire Chief William A. Wandell from the State of Michigan. Current Chief, Jim Cassel will speak with Bill Wandell regarding the presentation of the Tribute; either at a Council or Fire meeting or the Block Party in September.

Review of Council Regular Meeting Minutes, Account Activity, Payables, and Receivables:

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the information presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Cassel. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

DPW Report: Presented by Mike Scollon

- All of the trees planted under the Consumer's Energy Grant have survived the winter.
- Trees scheduled for removal were discussed and will be done within the budget.
- Tree trimming by DPW will continue.
- Tennis nets will be up and park restrooms will be ready by the end of the week.
- Park pavilion ceilings will be completed this month.
- Crusher dust has been ordered for the ball park.
- Playground chips will be ordered and refreshed.
- Lagoon discharge is taking place this month.
- Follow up to Goodrich water main extension:
 - Brush pile has been burned and removed.
 - Alfalfa will need to be re-seeded when weather permits.
- Michigan Rural Water Association completed a new Water Rate Study on 4/10/17. Rates effective 4/1/17 are in line with water system expenses and required RRI set aside, which Mike Scollon recommends be increased to \$13,100.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Yerge increase the RRI to \$13,100. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Meyers. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

- Mike Scollon also informed Council of new procedures that are currently being researched for the repair and extended maintenance of water main, involving an epoxy coating of the interior of the water mains. Information on this practice was presented at the Michigan Rural Water Conference in Traverse City. Mike continues to stay abreast of new technology that will better serve Village systems.
- Fire Department New Site
 - Bids were reviewed from Preferred Metal Roofs and Roofing Innovations. Discussion followed.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to accept the bid from Preferred Metal Roofs in the amount of \$35,870.23, pending two good references and the closing on the sale of the existing fire barn. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

- Air Compressor & Generator: DPW to relocate to new site. Fire Department will address connections to power sources.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Carl Hafner

- One CD renewed at Independent Bank for .099%
- The Maintenance, Repair & Operating (MRO) Policy is in place.

Recreation Report: Presented by President Zenk in Joe Lambert's absence

- Corey Smith has expressed concerns regarding the state of some fencing in the park. Discussion followed regarding the replacement of the fencing. President Zenk will contact Corey for more information before the Village makes plans to proceed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Ground Water Protection:** A required part of the Wellhead Protection Grant is the amendment of Village Ordinances to include update language for Ground Water Protection. Carl Hafner has prepared the amendment using information from Kelly Hon of MRWA.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the Amendment of Ordinances 2009-02 and 2009-03 as presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Meyers. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

- **Seventh-Day Adventist:** A letter regarding Family Health and Education Resources youth missionary in our area was shared with Council. Acknowledgement of the request will be returned as requested.
- **Garage Sale Signs:** Currently the Village pays for newspaper advertising and publishes the sales in the newsletter and cable channel. This will be the extent of Village support.
- **15 Minute Parking on Main Street:** Council discussed improved signage for 15 minute parking currently posted on Main Street in front of Wood's Deli. Council supports increased signage, which will limit the hours of 15 minute parking to specific times. Mike Scollon will pursue this. Wood's Deli has offered to pay all expenses.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Proceeding with Master Plan:** Council supports Planning Commission proceeding with the steps necessary to update the Village Master Plan as advised by John Enos of Carlisle/Wortman. Clerk will provide Tony Schafer, Planning Commission Chair, with copies of information received from Carlisle/Wortman.
- **Mutual Data Lease Agreement:** Clerk has informed Mutual Data of Village's desire to pursue creating an internet hot spot to service users of the Village Trailhead and parks. Mutual Data will also research providing service to the new fire station. These services will be provided at no charge to the Village.
 - President Zenk will follow up with discussion regarding the tower lease terms with Mutual Data for their equipment.

BLIGHT CONCERNS: Council reviewed pictures of blight violations. Discussion followed. Letters will be sent to those in violation. Council will continue to monitor and follow up on violations at monthly meetings of Council.

Due to a Tornado Warning, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 without further discussion.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to adjourn the meeting at 8:50. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Meyers. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Sandy Wolniakowski, Village Clerk, and will be presented for approval at the May 8, 2017 meeting.