

**Village of Pewamo
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2016**

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

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

Bid Opening for Sale of Fire Building: Carl Hafner opened the three bids received. High bid was less than appraised value. Council will do research and make a decision regarding how to proceed.

President Zenk called for review of the Meeting Agenda: Ionia Chamber of Commerce Membership was added to New Business.

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

President Zenk's Comments: Concerns remain regarding a possible water leak at the corner of Higham and Jefferson. Pung Excavating has been contracted to check the condition of the water main.

Review of Council Regular Meeting Minutes, Account Activity, Payables, Project Invoices and Receivables: Clerk presented invoices from Diversified Electric, Cook Bros and JK, Inc. to be added to the list of payables.

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

DPW Report: Presented by Mike Scollon

- Leaf Pick Up: Mike recommends future Village policy is after November 15th all leaves must be bagged in leaf bags and placed curbside. This allows DPW time to prepare the truck for winter snow removal.
- Dump Truck Repairs: Simon's Bros. made necessary repairs.
- Cut Off Saw: Mike request Council approval to purchase a new cut off saw. Council approves the purchase.
- Water Main Break: Repaired at the corner of Yates and Washington.
- Water Meter Issues: DPW worked to resolve problem meters.
- Wellhead Protection: Mike invited those interested to attend the next meeting in January.
- Lagoon Discharge took place a little later this fall and went very well.
- SAW Grant Work: Fleis & Vandenbrink continue the work. Mike plans to meet with them in the near future regarding DPW portion of the project.
- Lift Station #1: Repairs done by JK, Inc. to replace a steel line.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Carl Hafner

- CD up for renewal at Union Bank
- Liquor Control Money/Ionia County Sheriff Department: It's time to renew the contract and Carl is working with the Sheriff Department to do so.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Cassel to approve the renewal of the contract with the Ionia County Sheriff Department to properly use State of Michigan funds received for liquor control. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Heckman. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

- Consumer's Energy Tree Grant: The Village spent \$2,101.50 for trees planted, but Consumer's awarded the full \$2,500, covering labor and other planting expenses.

Recreation Report: Presented by Joe Lambert Off Season Nothing to Report

Committee Updates: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Accessory Building Amendment to Ordinance:** Carl Hafner worked closely with John Enos to prepare an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. Council reviewed, with some discussion and changes made.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Lambert to adopt the amendment to Ordinance 153.080 regarding accessory buildings in the Village. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Heckman. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

- **USDA/Rural Development Project:** All invoices have been submitted and the project will close \$60,364 under budget.
- **Cost Estimates for Wall in New Fire Barn:** For Council information Michael Yerge presented cost estimates for this project. Fire department plans to cover these expenses.

- **Asbestos Removal/Containment:** Previous estimates to do this came in under \$4,000.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to proceed with asbestos removal/containment if cost do not exceed \$4,000. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Jegla. Four votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED**

- **Ionia Chamber of Commerce Membership:** Discussion was held regarding the Village membership. Trustees Jegla and Lambert both volunteered to act on behalf of the Village with the Ionia Chamber in the future.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Planning commission: Addressing need for new member:** Dan Heckman will get a definite answer from his possible candidate before we contact anyone else for the position.
- **Mutual Date Lease Agreement:** President Zenk will follow up on this.

BLIGHT CONCERNS: This will be a standing topic on the Agenda for Council review and input. Mike Scollon will assist Clerk in compiling a check list for planned procedures.

FINAL ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

Randy Zenk: Reminded Council that Bill Wandell will be retiring from the Fire Department effective December 31, 2016. Bill's retirement party will be held on January 7th and is open to the public.

Randy also informed Council that the Rural Task Force Meeting was held in the Village Office on 12/12/16. The Committee will be attending the Ionia County Road Commission on 12/15/16 to present their information and request for funding.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to adjourn the meeting at 9:00. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Lambert. 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 January 9, 2017 meeting.