

Village of Pewamo
Council Regular Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2021

Present: Randy Zenk, Dan Heckman, Michael Yerge, Tanner Roe, Jacob Wiggers, Jane Martin, Dale Winsor, Carl Hafner, Mike Scollon, Rob Sterner Absent: Sandy Wolniakowski Guest: Shawn Bates, Fleis & Vandenbrink

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

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Wiggers, to include new business into the Council Meeting of May 10, 2021, as Shawn Bates from Fleis & Vandenbrink was present to discuss Drinking Water Revolving Fund Opportunities. **MOTION SUPPORTED BY Trustee Yerge.** Six votes in favor, none opposed. **MOTION APPROVED.**

Review/Approval of Meeting Agenda:

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the Meeting Agenda as presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge, Six votes in favor, none opposed. **MOTION APPROVED.**

President Zenks Comments to the Council:

President Zenk attended The Lyons Township Meeting where the following topics were discussed.

- ICEA was present to provide an overview on what ICEA has to offer the Township. This also began discussions about the old Chrysler Building in Lyons, and possibilities on what to do with the building.
- American Rescue Plan(ARP) indicates that Lyons Township could be receiving \$349,238 from this plan, and that funds will be distributed amongst the villages and such. The township will initially receive these funds and then distribute out to the local governmental units based on the requirements of the American Rescue Plan.
- Fire Department Sensor Defaults were also discussed at this meeting and the township has agreed to pay half with the village picking up the other half of the expense. Vendor was called for repair, cost of \$95.00.
- Discussion of Township property to be sold. After the Township meeting, President Zenk discussed this matter with Twp. Trustee Andy Hengesbach as a heads up that there could be potential risks involved and fines. Informed Andy that this may require a Township Town Hall Meeting with regards to the Township's pursuit of selling property.
- There was a discussion about the Township not being able to afford 2 fire departments and the desire of the Township to build a new "state of the art" Township Fire Department on M-21 and merge the 2 existing departments. Many questions need to be addressed and answered.
- Lyons Township has purchased the old doctor's office in Lyons and will be moving their township offices to this building sometime this year.
- Years of Service Awards were presented, with Mike Klein from Pewamo receiving an award for his 36 years with the Lyons Township Pewamo Fire Department.

Review of Council Regular Meeting Minutes:

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the information as presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED BY Trustee Yerge.** Six in favor, none opposed. **MOTION APPROVED.**

New Business: Shawn Bates was present to discuss the status of the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Opportunities. They are prepared to submit their findings to the village by Wednesday or Thursday this week. Suggested that this then be discussed further at the next council meeting in June to finalize. This will be published in the Lansing State Journal this week as there is a 30 day requirement in order to do so. If grant is approved, not expected to start work until May of 2022. Village was awarded \$15,000 through the Affordability and Plan Asset Management, additional funds may be forthcoming.

Treasurers Report: Presented by Carl Hafner

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Yerge to approved Resolution No. 2021-5 as presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Roe. Six in favor, none apposed. **MOTION PASSED.**

Recreation Report: Little League Tournament to be held May 14th and 15th. Spoke with Mike Scollon and Rob Sterner to make sure that the restrooms would be adequately stocked for the weekend.

DPW Report: Presented by Mike Scollon

Lagoon Discharge: To be completed this week.

Weed Issue: Has been budgeted, will be getting together with Sandy Wolniakowski to discuss applying for permit to treat weeds in the lagoon.

Speed Boards: Two of these have been received and will be placing these on the North and South Side of the Village of Pewamo. Mike will be getting with the residents nearest to where these will be place to see if there are any concerns or questions and getting the street committee as well to advise them of this development.

Water Meter Replacements: About a dozen of these have been installed so far, and expect to start contacting residents as to installing new meters in their residence.

Zoning Letters: Two Letters were sent out and waiting for response and or action from the residents contacted.

Parking in front of old Fire Station: Rick Thelen was notified of this and thanked council for reaching out to him. He will be obtaining new signs and posting on the East and North side of the building.

Water Reliability Study: Price was originally quoted at about \$9500. Shawn Bates from Fleis & Vandenbrink states that they are checking into whether the \$15,000 received from the Affordability Plan can be used for this.

Old Business: None

Blight Issues: No new issues

Final Round Table Discussion: Discussed as to placing No Parking Signs on North Street on the North Side of North Street down by the Ball Diamonds due to the numbers of vehicles parking on the sides of the street, as this is causing congestion in this area. Will have Mike and Rob take care of this.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to adjourn the meeting at 8:00. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Six in favor, none opposed. **MOTION APPROVED**

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Jane Martin and will be presented for approval at the June 14, 2021 meeting of Council.