

**Village of Pewamo
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2017**

Present: Randy Zenk, Dan Heckman, Jim Cassel, Steve Meyers, Carl Hafner, Sandy Wolniakowski, & Rob Sterner
Absent: Michael Yerge & Joni Jegla Guests: Joe Distel, Jarrod Hafner & Tanner Roe

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

Public Comment:

- **Jarrold Hafner:** Requested use of the north pavilion during winter months for P-W golf practice. He will hang temporary tarps and heat the area and is willing to reimburse the Village for electric costs. Council approves and will only require reimbursement if utility costs become excessive.
- **Joe Distel:** Joe has concerns about a dark film & odor in his water filter system. DPW will investigate.
- **Pewamo Fire Chief Jim Cassel:** Jim presented the Village with a check for \$5,000 from the Pewamo Fire Department to be used towards the renovations of the new station. These funds are donations received and money raised through special events. If the Village is successful in obtaining the full grant to renovate the station, the fire department would appreciate having the \$5,000 returned. Next priority in the station is installing a bathroom. President Zenk & Council thanked Chief Cassel for the fire department's financial support of the renovation.

President Zenk called for review of the Meeting Agenda:

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

President Zenk's Comments to Council:

- President Zenk welcomed Tanner Roe. Tanner is interested in filling the position on Council left vacant by Joe Lambert.

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

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

DPW Report: Presented by Rob Sterner

- **Leaf Pick Up:** Due to the late falling leaves, Rob expects that the DPW will extend leaf pick up.
- **Water Tower Fencing:** A small tree was removed from the fence, causing some minor damage that DPW plans to repair.
- **Lagoon Discharge:** Began on November 13th and is expected to continue through the end of the week. Rob will be taking daily samples to Ionia.
- **Park:** Park is winterized and tennis nets will be removed this week.

Treasurer Report: Presented by Carl Hafner

- **USDA RRI Transfer:** The quarterly transfer of funds from Water to USDA RRI will take place this week. An interest payment on the loan will be made on December 1st.
- **Asset Management Pilot Grant:** The Village has applied for this grant, which will help fund mapping of the Village infrastructure. Pewamo is the smallest municipality participating in this program.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **MML Appraisal:** The appraisal done by MML resulted in some increased property values. MML reviewed the new values with Mike Scollon, who found them acceptable. This will result in a slight increase in the premium at the time of the next billing. Council supports MML's appraisals.
- **MDOT Audit Refund-**MDOT will be refunding expenses paid by the Village for the mandated Performance Audit, which has been rescinded.
- **Customer Parking on State Street:** Council discussed options for improved customer parking at Kramer's. Clerk will contact business owners for their input.
- **Clinton County RESA Free Little Libraries:** Grant funding will allow for the placement of five free little libraries in the Village. Council tentatively approves RESA proceeding with plans, but would like to see where they plan to place them before giving final approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Lyons Fire Contract:** President Zenk & Trustee Heckman attended the Lyons Twp. meeting to review the contract, which resulted in no major changes, just some updating. A copy was given to Council for their review.
- **Ice Skating Rink:** Due to Mike Scollon's absence, this will be tabled until the December meeting.
- **Michigan Trails Magazine Ad:** Council would like Clerk to research options to reduce the ad costs.
- **Pewamo Cemetery:** No additional updates at this time.

FINAL ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

Carl Hafner: Carl informed Council that bid request were sent out for the Village audit and are expected back in time for the December meeting.

Dan Heckman: Dan complemented the Village DPW for their efforts in providing service to Village residents, especially the fall leaf pick up.

Randy Zenk: Randy noted the continued compliments received on the Village downtown area. Many thanks to our business owners and all who make this possible.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to adjourn the meeting at 8:38. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Cassel. Three votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Sandy Wolniakowski and will be presented for approval at the December 11, 2017 meeting.