

**Village of Pewamo
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2022**

Present: Randy Zenk, Dan Heckman, Michael Yerge, Tanner Roe, Jane Martin, Dale Winsor, Carl Hafner, Sandy Wolniakowski, Mike Scollon, Rob Sterner **Absent:** Jacob Wiggers **Guest:** Michael Overley, MERS

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

Review/Approval of Meeting Agenda:

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

Michael Overley, MERS

Michael provided detailed information and a thorough explanation of the Village of Pewamo's Defined Benefit Plan for DPW Employees.

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

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the information presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Roe. Five votes in favor, none opposed, one absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

DPW Report: Presented by Mike Scollon

- **Jefferson Street Culvert near Fire Station:** DPW plans to install a culvert prior to June 1st. Council supports.
- **Fire Station and Office Roof Repair:** Mike received two quotes for this. CRS of Owosso had the lowest quote and is confident that the Conklin system will eliminate the problem, but will not guarantee. Mike recommends hiring him to do both roofs at a cost of \$5,170.00.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the repair of the office and fire station roofs. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Five votes in favor, none opposed, one absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

- **Old Z Mower:** DPW will be taking to auction this week.
- **New Mower:** DPW will be picking up in early May unless it becomes necessary to do so earlier.
- **Blossomtime Park:** Tennis/pickle ball nets are up and restrooms are opened.
 - **Horse shoe pits:** Reducing the number of pits to two and making necessary repairs.
 - **Crusher Dust:** Will be ordered for ball fields.
- **Tree Trimming & Removal:** Completed at a cost of \$3,300.
- **Lagoon Discharge:** DPW will be taking in predischarge samples this week; discharge to follow as allowed.
- **Water Meter Installation:** DPW continues to work on switching out old meters.
- **Old Tennis Courts:** Discussion regarding removal and disposal of fence, with Council recommending DPW do the removal and attempt to sell. If not sold after 60 days, DPW will sell fencing material for scrap metal.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Carl Hafner

- 3 CD's are due for renewal, with everything else in good shape.
- Carl questioned DPW on chip seal work for 2022. Mike supports this. Clerk to email map of proposed streets to Street Committee and Ionia County.

Committee Updates: President Zenk requested the Recreation Committee present to Council at the May meeting. Clerk will email tennis and pickle ball court designs submitted for DNR Recreation Passport Grant Application.

Ball Park Concessions: President Zenk informed Council of an individual who wishes to operate concessions in the park. Council supports this, but will require a Peddler's Permit be applied for and issued prior to doing so.

New Business:

- **Granger Waste Removal Contract Renewal:** Prior to the meeting Council had been emailed the proposed contract with a five-year rate of \$16.59 per month. Bag tags will be available to Senior Citizens ONLY (over 65 years of age) at a cost of \$2 per tag.
 - The new contract included fees for Village Clean Up Day.

Discussion followed with concerns regarding the Clean Up Day charges. Clerk will contact Grangers regarding reducing or eliminating these costs.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to approve the five-year contract minus Clean Up Day charges. If necessary, Council will negotiate fees for Clean Up Day in a separate contract. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Martin. Four votes in favor, one opposed, one absent. **MOTION APPROVED.**

VILLAGE SPRING NEWSLETTER WILL INFORM RESIDENTS OF CHANGES IN COST AND PROCEDURES.

Old Business:

- Pewamo to host all area meeting of Village Councils on April 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center.
 - All are welcome and encouraged to attend, however, attendance is volunteer and without pay.

Blight concerns: Mike Scollon informed Council of numerous locations that are in violation. Council supports addressing the violations.

FINAL ROUND TABLE:

Mike Yerge: Concerned about the delay in getting internet to the fire station. It's becoming urgent for online emergency reporting. Clerk will follow up with WOW.

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

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Sandy Wolniakowski and will be presented for approval at the May 9, 2022 meeting of Council.