

Village of Pewamo
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2024

Present: Randy Zenk, Dan Heckman, Dale Winsor, Jane Martin, Michael Yerge, Jacob Wiggers, Brett Thelen, Kohl Falor, Rob Sterner, Sandy Wolniakowski, Carl Hafner

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

Review/Approval of Meeting Agenda:

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

President Zenk's Comments to Council:

- Village Clock has been repaired and restored and is back in Sesquicentennial Park.
- Pewamo Car Show went well thanks to Mark & Linda Klein and their crew. A letter of thanks will be sent to Kleins.

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

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

DPW Report: Kohl Falor

- **Sewer Blockage on Main Street:** City of Ionia vac truck was brought in to clear the blockage. Kohl explained the direction of flow and steps that must be taken to avoid it happening again in the future. Kohl will follow up.
- **Consumer's Energy Tree Grant Preparations Complete:** Carl Hafner will submit grant application.
- **Well Automatic Transfer Switch:** Wolverine provided a quote of \$11,890 for parts and installation. Kohl explained the transfer switch will work with any generator and is a necessary component to ensure continued operations of the well in the case of a power outage.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Yerge to approve the purchase and installation of the new transfer switch as presented. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Heckman. Six votes in favor, none opposed. **MOTION APPROVED**

- **Semi Traffic on Lincoln and Main:** These streets are not Class A and therefore not suited for semi traffic. New signs have been ordered and will be installed as soon as possible.

Treasurer's Report: Carl Hafner

- Two CD's were cashed in; one at Union and one at Independent.
- Village tax bills will go out the end of June. Receipts will only be mailed upon request.

Committee Updates: Personnel Committee met tonight prior to the Regular Meeting to conduct a final review of the proposed Employee Handbook. Some minor changes were made. An email will be sent to all of Council for their review. Adoption should take place at the July meeting of Council.

New Business:

- **Community Center Parking Lot Sealing:** Tuesday, 6/11-No traffic 48 hours
- **Consumer Confidence Report Complete**
- **F & V resubmitting the DWSRF for consideration in the next round**
- **North Street Zoning Variance:** An application was received for a pole building on North Street, which will exceed zoning height restrictions by approximately 18". Council supports proper Zoning Variance procedures. A public meeting for this will take place at 6:30 p.m. on July 8, 2024, prior to the Regular Council Meeting.

Old Business:

- **Park Bid Process:** President Zenk informed Council that the SPARK Grant park improvements were proceeding and scheduled for DNR review prior to going out to bid.
- **Streets Improvements:** Village received information from Connie Houk of Ionia County regarding street work and pricing options for both Chip and Seal and top coating. Clerk will forward this information to Doug LaVoie, Street Administrator, for his input before making a decision.
- **Medical Certification for CDL:** Rob Sterner is still working to complete his.
- **Inventory of Water Service Lines for Lead:** Kohl and Sandy are working on Phase 1 of the water service line inventory.
- **Sesquicentennial Park Lighting:** Trustee Thelen reported that he checked with two of his vendors, but was not able to get better pricing. This will be tabled until the July meeting due to cash flow.
- **Compost Area:** Kohl will continue to improve as time allows.

FINAL ROUND TABLE:

- **Sandy Wolniakowski:** Reported a 24% savings in utilities at the Fire/Community Center following the improvements.
- **Rob Sterner:** Reminded Council that the Sesquicentennial Park mural will need clear coating this year.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Trustee Heckman to adjourn the meeting at 8:15. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Six votes in favor, none opposed. **MOTION APPROVED**

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Sandy Wolniakowski and will be presented for approval at the July 8, 2024 meeting of Council.