

# *Village of Climax*

Regular Meeting

May 15, 2007

Present: Trustees: Bill Lewis, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, Bill Twiss; President: Bill Rogers; Treasurer: Deb Wyant.

Absent: Thomas Jones and Tricia Willis.

Also Present: Bill Sackrider, Bruce Rolfe, Ann Niedzielski, Monique Strong, Jerry Cuyler and Phyllis Simmons.

Agenda: **(L.Strong/Lewis)** Motion to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved.

**(Lewis/Twiss)** Motion to approve the minutes of May 1, 2007 without exception. Unanimously approved.

**(Lewis/L.Strong)** Motion to approve the May 2007 Bill Package totaling \$30,355.88 including the removal of the bill for Ford, Kriekard PC of \$1404.40 to be voted as a separate item. Roll call vote: Ayes – Lewis and L. Strong; Nays – T.Strong, Twiss and Rogers. Motion failed 3 to 2.

**(Twiss/T.Strong)** Motion to approve the May 2007 Bill Package in the amount of \$31,740.28 as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – L.Strong, T. Strong, Twiss, Rogers; Nays – Lewis. Motion carried 4 to 1.

**(Twiss/L.Strong)** Motion to approve the April 2007 Treasurer's Report: Major Streets = \$169,322.70; Local Streets = \$33,538.55; General Fund = \$94,475.24; Water Fund = \$55,694.01, Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; Totals = \$364,437.13. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Citizen time:

- 1) Phyllis Simmons read a prepared letter by the township asking the Village Council to consider the dismissal of the lawsuit against the township – open meetings act violation.
- 2) Ann Niedzielski presented the Library's Summer Reading Program starting Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.  
**(T.Strong/Twiss)** Motion to support the library's summer reading program and support the foot print project planned by the library. Unanimously approved.
- 3) Jerry Cuyler announced the adjudicative meeting in Lansing on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Communications:

- 1) Letter to the UMC was reviewed. The church had requested a re-zoning for their property on East Maple Street.

Public Works:

- 1) The park slide was damaged. A police report was made and the insurance company will be contacted. Surveillance camera technology is improving and costs are substantially lower. It was suggested to look into the purchase of a camera system.
- 2) Pump #3 is online. Water tests have been completed and approved.
- 3) Replaced guard rail on the corner of Cherry and Sheldon.
- 4) All cemetery stones have been re-set.
- 5) Vehicle on S. Main has been in same location for months.

Streets:

- 1) Received the draft document on the 2007 transportation projects in the county.
- 2) Railroad crossing – There is a possibility of getting a rubberized railroad crossing in conjunction with the Main Street road project.
- 3) Reviewed the local and major street maintenance projects (totaling \$28,197.00) and the bike path resurfacing project, from the railroad tracks to Sinclair’s Market (totaling \$890.00).  
**(Twiss/T.Strong)** Motion to authorize the various street projects by Pavement Restoration of Michigan totaling \$29,087.00 (MS 5,662.00 / LS 22,535.00 /Bike path 890.00). Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
  - a. Crack Sealing @ 12,456.00
  - b. Slurry Sealing @ 13,015.00
  - c. Infrared repairs @ 1050.00
  - d. Hot bituminous repairs @ 1,676.00
  - e. Bike path @ \$890.00 (railroad to Sinclair’s Market)

4) Some trees will have to be removed due to the Main Street road project

Water:

- 1) **(Lewis/T.Strong)** Motion to approve purchase of water billing software not to exceed \$2400.00. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 2) **(T.Strong/L.Strong)** Motion to purchase from CTS high speed Internet access – ADSL, 3 meg and monthly cost to be split between the General Fund and Water Fund. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Following up on vandalism.
- 2) Township decided not to go ahead with fire millage.
- 3) Fire Department – 7 runs in April.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.  
Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk