

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

August 3, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:30p

Present: Joline Chaney, Carolyn Kelly, Nick Ludwig, David Miller, Janet Sutherland, Jim Cummings-President, Linda Coburn – Clerk **Absent:** Denise Kenney, Brenda Borden – Treasurer **Guests:** Anthony Bates

(Sutherland/Kelly) Motion to August 3, 2021 agenda. Unanimously approved

(Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to approve minutes from July 20, 2021. Unanimously approved

(Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to approve bill package for a total of \$3,410.51 Unanimously approved – roll call vote.

Guests: Anthony Bates –Spoke more about his desire to have a community event - September/October Fest event.

Communications: Audit/Review completion has been delayed. Waiting on information from the library which will not be available until after their August 24 meeting. Clerk has scheduled a meeting with the auditor for August 25. Council members also inquired about interest rates that our CDs are earning. Clerk is in the process of speaking to the Business Development Manager at Sturgis Bank and Trust Co.

Public Works:

- 1) Lovell Street Project is completed
- 2) Water tower project is underway – we are currently running on one well with use of the pressure truck. In regards to this, there are two hydrants that are open and working as pressure release valves.
- 3) Had an issue with a commercial company using the brush pile – the situation has been rectified
- 4) Library asbestos removal is complete – once the library personnel are done sorting inventory, items will be replaced on the shelving. A leak near the bathroom (from roof/ceiling) has been discovered. DPW checking.
- 5) Discussed cameras in the park as there was inconclusive evidence in regards to the recent mischief.
- 6) Roofing done on the pump houses – looks great.

Water: Carolyn has been out and about checking things out and learning about the entire water system as well as the village in general. Carolyn requested a copy of the current water rates to review and consider a small increase for next year.

Parks/Cemetery/Library: The library board had its first in person meeting on July 22nd. It was nice to be face to face again. Janet is checking in a Kaboom grant that may be available to help with park improvements.

Streets/Sidewalks/Census: Joline is working on getting familiarized with the roads as well as paperwork in regards to bids & grants that are in process. She and Nick will be attending a KCRC meeting this month.

Administration/Employee Relations: No report

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Sent email to contacts in regards to the park incident, and the late night motorcycles – have not gotten a response yet.
- 2) Followed up on the questions regarding the tornado siren – gathered some helpful information. Last serviced in 2014. Fixing could be expensive-may need a new one. The cost to have them come out is \$150 plus \$130/hour. Suggestion was made to have some local Hamm Radio operators help check it out. (Ludwig/Kelly) Motion to hire West Shore Services to diagnose issues with tornado siren with cost not to exceed \$500. Unanimously approved – roll call vote. Nick will communicate with the Fire Department in regards to this.
- 3) Jim expressed a concern in regards to an influx of young adults wandering through town with backpacks. Possible that this could be tied to drug related transactions.

Ordinance/Zoning:

- 1) Still waiting on court dates for the 3 outstanding tickets.
- 2) Meeting on Aug. 10 with attorney in regards to updating our ordinances
- 3) Will issue a ticket to the residence that has pallets piled in their yard and will not remove them.
- 4) Still researching enforcement laws in regards to individuals growing marijuana for personal medical use.
- 5) Continuing to send out violation letters. Discussion followed.

Old Business: None

New Business: Discussed sponsoring a movie in the park night. Jim will follow up.

(Sutherland/Chaney) Motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Linda Coburn - Clerk