

Village of Climax
Regular Meeting
March 7, 2000

Present: D. Guidarini, K. Guidarini, S. Messner, L. Phoenix, B. Twiss, B.J. Wyant, D. Stevenson.

Absent: None

Also Present: Mike Gibson. Brad Wyant, Megan Root, Mark Drallette, Scott Bladen, Norm Lyons, Ralph Weessies, Ann Niedzielski.

(K. Guidarini/Phoenix) Motion to approve the minutes of February 15, 2000. Approved - all present.

(K. Guidarini/Twiss) Motion to approve the February 2000 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call: Ayes - all.

Guests: Mark Drallette representing the Space Mountain 7K run, asked for permission to hold the race as usual on May 29 at 8:30 am. (Phoenix/Twiss) Motion to approve the Space Mountain 7K run. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Ann Niedzielski representing the Library Board updated the Council on the upcoming events scheduled at the library. Also, as a district library, board members are appointed positions rather than elected positions. Four board members from the Township and 3 members from the Village.

Communications: Reviewed letters regarding Nordic Electric, LLC, the Climax/Scotts School and the attorney's letter for the preparation of a Franchise Ordinance for Nordic Electric, LLC.

It is proposed that the Village adopt Ordinance #38, Village of Climax Nordic Electric Franchise Ordinance. The first reading of Ordinance #38 was conducted by President Stevenson.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:01 (Twiss/Messner)

The Budget hearing was opened at 8:01 pm to hear comment, review the proposed 2000 - 2001 Village Budget and ratify the Budget.

General Fund Revenues / Expenditures:	197,363.46
Major Street Revenues / Expenditures:	36,000.00
Local Street Revenues / Expenditures:	19,184.00
Water Revenue / Expenditures:	77,000.00
Perpetual Care Revenue / Expenditures:	500.00

No comments from guests were made. The Council discussed the Law Enforcement budget item. The question of increasing the Law Enforcement budget to help discourage

excessive speed and reckless driving within the Village. Many drivers disregard the 25 mile an hour speed limit in the Village and of course, this affects the safety of the children and pedestrians. Options discussed are: 1) Notice in the Crescent to have people take down licenses, car makes and call the Sheriff Department. 2) Increase budget for more sheriff patrol. 3) Hire a full time officer. 4) Add more signs, such as: 25 mph speed limit / children playing.

(K. Guidarini/Messner) Motion to approve the April 2000 - March 2001 Village Budget. Roll call vote: Ayes - all present.

Adjourned Budget Hearing at 8:20 pm (Phoenix / Twiss)

Regular Council meeting called to order at 8:20 pm

Public Works:

- 1) Superior Sweeping to clean streets first week of April.
- 2) Pavement Restoration to look over and review the village streets.
- 3) Holes in streets were repaired.
- 4) Tree maintenance - three trees to be removed and others trimmed.

(K. Guidarini/D. Guidarini) Motion to have The Tree Man trim and remove 3 trees @ 725.00. Roll call vote: Ayes - all present. Motion carried.

- 5) Fuel tank behind Village Hall to be removed. (D. Guidarini/Messner) Motion to have Gibson dispose of tank as he sees fit. All members in favor. Motion carried.
- 6) Gibson will inspect and replace signs throughout the Village.

Parks/Cemetery:

To control traffic through the Cemetery, the north gate off of Hancock street will be closed. The gate will be opened for all holidays and funerals.

(D. Guidarini/Twiss) Motion to purchase four basketball rims with nets at a cost of 92.00 each. The purchase will be applied to the 2000-2001 budget year. Roll call vote: Ayes - all present. Motion carried.

Public Safety/Ordinance: The Council has received complaints regarding junk cars and debris in the Village. A review has been made and a list of junk cars noted. This list of ordinance violations will be forwarded to the Sheriff Department and owners notified.

Periodic reviews will be made more often and the Village will be clamping down on junk cars and other violations.

(K. Guidarini/Twiss) Motion to authorize Gibson to purchase road signs and other caution signs at his discretion within a \$500.00 limit. Roll call vote: Ayes - all present. Motion carried.

Census/Streets: 1) Twiss has had the census bureau correct the 53 omitted homes.
2) We need to look at replacing the "Village of Climax" sign on MN and 44th.

Water/Trash/Recycling: Discussed the dates for the Curbside Trash Pickup and Village Wide Yard Sale. The Village Wide Yard Sale date will be June 24, 2000. The Curbside Trash Pickup date will be the following Monday - June 26, 2000.

(B.J. Wyant/D. Guidarini) Motion to contract with BFI/Tri-City Disposal to provide curbside service on June 26, 2000 at a cost of \$1950.00. Roll call vote: Ayes - all present.

Old Business: Received information from MML on local vote control and petitions. This information needs to be reviewed to determine if the Village would like to proceed. There is a drive in the State House to restrict authority of local governments. The information received from MML is directed at petitioning for a 2/3 majority of both houses to pass any laws restricting local government authority.

New Business: Bill Twiss presented a certificate of appreciation to Treasurer, Brad Wyant for his 15 years of service.

The meeting was closed at 9:10 p.m. (K. Guidarini / D. Guidarini)
Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk