

Village of Climax
Regular Meeting
April 20, 2004

Present: Shawn Messner, Bill Rogers, Terry Strong, Bill Twiss, Tricia Willis, Don Stevenson.

Absent: Salli Thompson.

Also Present: Kristy Hinga, Mark Drallette, Bill Sackrider, and Deb Wyant.

(Twiss/Messner) Motion to approve the minutes of April 6, 2004 without exception. All in favor - Motion carried.

(Messner/Rogers) Motion to approve the April 2004 Bill Package totaling \$41,607.08. Roll Call vote: Unanimously approved.

(Messner/Twiss) Motion to approve the March 31, 2004 Treasurer's Report. Major Streets = \$142,887.29; Local Streets = \$32,873.65; General Fund = \$246,937.08; Water Fund = \$123,881.36; Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; Totals = \$558,186.01. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: Mark Drallette requested permission to hold the annual 7K run on Memorial Day, beginning at 8:30 pm. (Strong/Twiss) Motion to allow the activity. Unanimously approved.

Kristy Hinga representing the (CSALSSP) Climax Scotts American Legion Summer Sports Program, asked to hold their annual parade in the Village on May 8th at 12:00. (Messner/Willis) Motion to allow the activity. Unanimously approved.

Communications:

- 1) President Stevenson read a proposed resolution to support a US-131 bypass around Schoolcraft. (Strong/Willis) Motion to adopt as Resolution 2004-3: To Endorse a US-131 By-Pass of Schoolcraft. Unanimously approved.
- 2) Proposed cutback in state revenue sharing could be over \$14,000.00 for 2005.

Public Works:

- 1) A dead tree on North Main (North of 320 N. Main) needs to be taken down. (Rogers/Strong) Motion to contract with Burns Tree Service to take the tree down at a cost of \$500.00 – including brush removal. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 2) Water samples have been taken for April.
- 3) New parts for the play area in the park have been ordered.
- 4) There are two cemetery lots which had been removed from the card file due to their close proximity to tree roots. To dig a full grave in this location is not possible with the Village's equipment. An individual has requested those lots for a cremation site – as they are next to his relatives. The question to the Council is if these sites can be sold at a discounted rate. Tabled until next meeting for further information.
- 5) Looking into purchasing new picnic tables.
- 6) New John Deere tractor should be ready in 2 weeks.

Administration: The final 2003-04 budget was handed out. This budget is available from the Clerk upon request.

Public Safety: Sheriff Deputies have been requested for upcoming parades.

Ordinance:

1. Reviewed various violations of cars without licenses parked on streets.
2. Sheriff Department will be contacted to enforce the ordinance and to ticket these vehicles.
3. Trains have been seen blocking roads in township. Possible numbers to call to report this are: Railroad Police: 800-617-6617 or Train Master: 966-5194. Sheriff Dispatch will only suggest that you contact the railroad.

Streets: The following streets will be slurry sealed by Pavement Restoration of Michigan:

1. Snapdragon – Maple street to new overlay. \$5068.00
2. Thistle – New overlay to cul-de-sac. \$4647.00
3. Sunflower – Snapdragon to dead end. \$2224.00
4. Columbine – Sunflower to Thistle. \$2610.00
5. North Church – Cherry to dead end. \$1607.00
6. Thistle – Southwest of address 377 and cul-de-sac. \$211.00

Total project cost is \$16357.00 and approved in the 2004-05 budget. This will complete a slurry seal of all local streets, except for the new overlay on Snapdragon.

The bike path, which extends from the railroad tracks to Sinclair's Market and beyond, will be seal coated by T M's Asphalt Sealing of Mendon, Michigan. The cost to seal the entire bike path is \$1567.00. Per communication with Jim Collins, Township Supervisor, 50% of cost will be shared with the Township. Work on the streets and bike path will begin in June 2004.

Clerk was directed to put a notice in the Crescent regarding burning permits needed to burn within the Village.

The date for the Village wide Yard Sale/Trash pickup has been tentatively set for June 26 and June 28. The exact date will depend on the availability of a waste hauler for June 28th. The Clerk has been directed to get bids from the various waste haulers.

Old Business: None.

New Business: (Twiss/Rogers) Motion to appoint the accounting firm Foote & Lloyd as auditors to perform the Village audit. Unanimously approved.

(Messner/Twiss) Motion to appoint the Clerk as Deputy Treasurer. Unanimously approved.

(Strong/Rogers) Motion to appoint the Treasurer as Deputy Clerk. Unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. (Strong/Twiss)

Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk