

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

February 1, 2011

Present: Dave Hopkins, Tom Jones, Bill Lewis, Norm Lyons, Jason Slann, Terry Strong, Kyle Smith
– President and Deb Wyant - Treasurer.

Absent: None

Administered the Oath of Office to Jason Slann.

Guests: John Cook.

(Lewis/Hopkins) Motion to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved.

(Lewis/Hopkins) Motion to approve of the minutes of January 18, 2011 as presented. Unanimously approved.

Guests: No comments.

Communications: Reviewed

Public Works:

- 1) The F-350 is back in service.
- 2) Water samples and pump report has been completed for February.
- 3) Mr. Gibson met with the DEQ.
 - The DEQ will allow the village to wait until 2012 to have the water tank inspected.
 - Also, can wait until 2012 to perform maintenance on pump #2.
- 4) Still looking into bids for a new leaf vacuum. Costs to overhaul the large vac:
 - \$2627.80 – new motor
 - \$1367.25 – rebuild motor
- 5) Review water test classes (Chlorine test) for John Cook. Will take to committee.

Water: no report

Parks/Cemetery/Library: no report

Streets:

- 1) County has helped out with plowing roads while the F-350 was down.
- 2) Reviewed correspondence received.

Administration:

- 1) Discussed purchase of new accounting software. Looked at need:
 - Current software is over 13 years old.
 - No maintenance agreement with software – unable to receive upgrades.
 - With the software being so old and the computer over 6 years old, an attempt to load software on another computer failed.
 - Currently use BS&A tax software. With the purchase of the BS&A accounting package, the tax software will integrate with the accounting.
 - BS&A extended the payment terms from 2 year to 3 years – interest free.

(Lyons/Jones) Motion to approve the purchase of BS&A software package (A/P, Payroll, G/L) at \$5,600 (quoted price of \$5485) - 3 installments spread over 3 budget years. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

Discussed the receipt of the property (just east of the fire station) and the interest charged to the village. The property had a dangerous building that posed a threat of collapse. The building was razed and property went to the county. The county paid 13961.37 to the village while it tried to collect the taxes and unpaid costs. The amount was never recovered and the village is responsible for the original amount and compounded interest from the month we received the amount. The amount of interest is 18704.68. Both the interest and original amount must be paid to the county in 30 days. The total is 32,779.19.

(Lyons/Slann) Motion to have the clerk contact the attorney to review cost of property charged to the village. Unanimously approved. Deb Wyant will call the county regarding the amount.

Public Safety: CPL class to be held on February 12 at a cost of \$120

Ordinance:

- 1) No violations noted.
- 2) Received info from MCL on outdoor burners.

President's time: Welcome Jason Slann to the Council. President Smith assigned Mr. Slann to the Parks/Library/Cemetery Committee.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- 1) **(Lyons/Strong)** Motion to adopt Resolution 2011-01 Kalamazoo County Community Action Agency 18th Walk for Warmth. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 2) Question regarding Auditor's bill to the Lawrence Memorial Library. Does the village pay it? Have they paid it in the past? Has the library ever been billed before.

(Lyons/Hopkins) The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk