

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

April 6, 2021

Present: Denise Kenney, Nick Ludwig, David Miller, Janet Sutherland, Jayci Torrance, Linda Coburn – Clerk, Brenda Borden – Treasurer, TJ Gibson **Absent:** , Jim Cummings-President **Guests:** Jerry Ulsh, Ingrid Purk

(Kenney/Sutherland) Motion to approve April 6, 2021 agenda. Unanimously approved

(Sutherland/Kenney) Motion to approve minutes from March 16, 2021. with corrections. Unanimously approved.

(Kenney/Ludwig) Motion to approve bill package for a total of \$16,306.42 Unanimously approved – roll call vote.

Guests: Ingrid Purk – requested permission from the council to use the park for upcoming plant & book sale for Friends of the Library, (Kenney/Sutherland) Motion to grant Friends of the Library permission to use the park for upcoming events and block off 30' section of the parking area in front of the library/park May 21 & 22. Unanimously approved.

Jerry Ulsh – requested permission from the council to use the village roads for the Memorial Day parade. (Ludwig/Kenney) Motion to allow the American Legion to use the village roads for the Memorial Day parade. Unanimously approved.

Communications: Informational email from Crystal Flash regarding possible shutdown of Line 5; Resignation email from Brian Deller. (Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to accept the resignation of Brian Deller from the village council. Unanimously approved.

Public Works:

- 1) Streets are getting swept tomorrow – getting the village ready for Memorial Day events.
- 2) Water samples & pumpage reports are done for the month of April & working on report
- 3) Very busy in the cemetery – 14 foundations to pour already.
- 4) New lawn mower is getting delivered tomorrow.
- 5) 120 S. Church St. has a tree that needs to come down (village property); getting estimates.
- 6) Hope to see work on the Lovell St./Maple St culvert begin within the next 3 weeks.

Water:

Brenda reported that there are only 4 accounts that are past due. 3 of these accounts are only one payment behind; 1 is three payments behind. Residents have done an excellent job getting their bills current.

Parks/Cemetery/Library:

- 1) Shared proposal from Racquet Sports for the basketball/tennis courts. Total cost \$26550.00. Council will wait on this project. Council also discussed making sure that the money designated in the budget for park improvements rolls over to the next year in order to accommodate the larger projects.

Streets/Sidewalks/Census:

- 1) Filling out paperwork for another Category B grant opportunity. The money would be available in 2022. Also trying to wrap up the previous grant that we received.
- 2) Seeking information and bids on chip sealing several roads.

Administration/Employee Relations: No Report

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Have been in touch with Kalamazoo county sheriff's department regarding the parade. They will be here at 9:00a ready for a 10:00a start time. Will also be contacting the Fire Department regarding their participation.
- 2) Be aware in our community: recent reports show that we had 3 vehicle thefts/break ins just outside of the village. If you see something suspicious, take a picture and report it to the non-emergency line or silent observer.
- 3) Visited the Moore residence regarding the current situation. A required walk thru will be made this week and the results will be communicated to the owner. They will then have 2 weeks to take care of the issues. If after the 2 weeks they are still in violation, a formal clean up will be scheduled at the homeowner's expense.
- 4) Nick will contact the school in regards to Memorial Day events.

Ordinance/Zoning:

- 1) We have 3 properties with orders, none have complied completely with the violations. 2 will now move to a show cause hearing; the third property will be followed up on after 60 days.

- 2) 6 other properties received notification and we are waiting to see if they follow through on correcting the cited violations.
- 3) One trial is pending on April 22 regarding 225 South Main St. Continuing to gather information needed for the trial.
- 4) Several more letters are being prepared to send out.

Old Business:

- 1) Reviewed that May 22 and October 9 are set for junk pick up. Details will be posted at the village hall and on the website.

New Business:

- 1) Flood Insurance information was sent to the village from FEMA. Information can be reviewed with the following link: <https://www.fema.gov/preliminaryfloodhazarddata>

(Sutherland/Miller) Motion to adjourn at 8:21 p.m.

Linda Coburn - Clerk