

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

August 2, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:30p

Present: Chaney, Kelly, Ludwig, Miller, Sutherland, Cummings-President, Borden – Treasurer

Absent: Kenney, Coburn – Clerk **Guests:** John Gisler

(Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to approve agenda. Unanimously approved

(Sutherland/Ludwig) Motion to approve minutes from July 19, 2022. Unanimously approved

(Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to approve bill package for a total of \$3719.08. Unanimously approved – roll call vote.

Guests: John Gisler, county commissioner: Updates/information - Kalamazoo County Fair starts Aug. 10. No Midway – 4H Fair only; justice center on Kalamazoo Ave is on budget and on schedule; beginning this fall there will direct flights to Florida on AVELO Airlines.

Communications: None

Public Works:

- 1) The tree has been taken down in front of the church
- 2) E & W Maple St. are done
- 3) Nick, Jim & TJ met about the village sign (should be ready by Thursday)
- 4) TJ & Jim met about cemetery/columbarium & requested quotes
- 5) Culvert with dip in road – got some quotes Coville - \$12,000, Lakeland to pave & build up \$7500
- 6) Balkema worked on water main – tightened the band – there were no breaks
- 7) Pump 2 \$25,000 for a new pump – coming on Wednesday
- 8) Busy with selling cemetery lots, funerals, cremations, foundations.

Streets/Sidewalks/Census:

- 1) Would like to see the road fixed where the culvert is – will discuss next meeting.
- 2) Local streets do not get striped. Next year looking at Cherry St., Watson, Sunflower

Parks/Cemetery/Library:

- 1) Library has a meeting tomorrow evening to elect officers, adopt bylaws, etc. for new district library
- 2) Jim discussed his concern regarding the appointment of village representation to the library board. He spoke with the lawyer. Lawyer said the individuals could be replaced if they resign or if the village rescinds the motion/vote from last meeting.
- 3) (Sutherland/Nick) Motion to rescind our nominations for the district library board from meeting on July 19, 2022 removing Jam Swarthhout, Jamie Camp and David Miller. Unanimously approved.
- 4) (Ludwig/Kelly) Motion to nominate 3 new district board members to the Lawrence Memorial District Library board: David Miller, Denise Kenney & Janet VanPatten. Unanimously approved. Jim will compose an email telling the library that we rescinded the original nominations and made new nominations to the board.
- 5) Moving forward on the columbarium and handed out the Columbarium Agreement. (Ludwig/Chaney) Motion to sign the Columbarium Agreement in the amount of \$20,475 with \$10, 297.50 (1/2) down & remainder to be paid upon completion. Unanimously approved – roll call vote.

Water: T-Mobile paperwork has been signed; Carolyn will be speaking to other villages to get information on water rates.

Administration/Employee Relations: No Report

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Received some training for the speed sign. Will be putting the sign up this week.
- 2) Received an email from Jeff Baker with Kalamazoo County Sheriff office to join a citizen academy.
- 3) Data from July shared. State Trooper in town this week.

Ordinance/Zoning: Discussion about ticketing vs letters

Old Business: None

New Business: Discussed the need for new office computer – issue with BSA, Hard Drive Back-up

(Sutherland/Kelly) Motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m. Brenda Borden, Treasurer