

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

October 6, 2015

Present: Robert Bailey, Pat Clark, Gary Gammons, Norm Lyons, Bruce Rolfe, Janet Sutherland and Terry Strong – President. Brenda Borden - Treasurer

Absent: None.

(Lyons/Gammons) Motion to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved.

(Clark/Sutherland) Motion to approve the minutes of September 15, 2015. Unanimously approved.

Guests: None

Communications:

- 1) FOIA request from someplace in Florida. Many communities received the same FOIA and considered a scam.
- 2) Historical Society requesting Burial Transit Records. Clerk is scanning the records and will give to the group when completed.
- 3) Financial assistance information for families unable to pay utilities is available.

Public Works: No report

Water: No report

Parks/Library/Cemetery:

- 1) Memo of Understanding – still working with Library Board to create document.
- 2) Still trying to get bids for park pavilion project.
- 3) Carving of the tree stump in the cemetery – four ideas have been presented so far.
- 4) Apple tree in front of Library. It is getting very large. Considering trimming or removal. A specialist will be consulted for trimming.

Streets:

- 1) Sidewalks have been poured.
- 2) KCRC – will submit a bid for chip seal of Main Street. Need to get the bid in early.

Administration/Employee Relations:

- 1) Meeting with the Township Board. No agenda items from either board. Cancelled meeting.
- 2) Village hall flooring. Consider having Mark Gay sand the floors again. **(Clark/Bailey)** Motion to approve Mark Gay up to 20 hours overtime to sand and poly coat the Village Hall floor and for the DPW to purchase materials up to their limit of \$600. Roll call vote: Ayes – Bailey, Clark, Gammons, Sutherland, Strong. Nays – Lyons, Rolfe. Motion carried 5 to 2.

Public Safety: 11 Sheriff calls and 2 medical calls for September.

Ordinance:

- 1) 235 W. Maple: No building permit. MTS to check.
- 2) 110 S. Main: owner is siding the building
- 3) Selbee property (W. Maple): Has trash placed in 2 piles. Wanting to have water turned on. There is no electricity to home, windows are boarded up and resident cannot live in home. Can work on home if arrangements are made with the County. MTS can determine if structurally sound. Up to the village to issue a citation.

- a. President Strong asked to issue a citation to fix up the home. Reference Lucas Poole or Kalamazoo County in our letter. Address ordinance and building code violations in letter. No water turn on until permits are done.
- 4) E. Maple and Church Street: Fixing fence. Brush overgrowth is making the sidewalk along Church Street impassable.
- 5) Doris Lucas home (next to Dave's Bargains): Doris has passed away and not sure who has possession of the home. Home is very run down. Raccoons are seen in the home. Sending a letter to the address listed on the taxes. Laurels of Bedford may have lien.

Old business:

- 1) Meeting with the Township Board is cancelled.
- 2) Boerson Farms drive way issue. President Strong will get letter off to them. The drive way entrance needs to be expanded to allow the trucks to enter E. Maple without driving onto the neighbor's lawn.

New Business:

- 1) Adjusting committees – Moving Rob Bailey to Ordinance and Norm Lyons to Water.
- 2) Saturday, November 28 – Putting lights up in the village.

(Lyons/Sutherland) The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk