

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

February 7, 2006

Present: Dave Dell, Tom Jones, Bill Lewis, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, Tricia Willis, Bill Rogers.
Absent: None

Also Present: Lawrence Wenke, Jim Hughes, Sergeant Don Ester, Bill Sackrider and Deb Wyant.

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

(L.Strong/Willis) Motion to approve the minutes of January 17, 2006 without exception.
Unanimously approved.

Guests: Mr. Wenke addressed the Council.

Communications:

1. With the possible widening and construction of the Climax-Fulton Road, the Council is looking into the feasibility of a sewer system to coincide with the new road construction. Grants to help with the sewer construction are available, however, a feasibility study is necessary prior to submitting a grant.

Public Works:

- 1) Placing metal poles at the Maple street/Main street intersection are cost prohibitive.
- 2) Peerless Midwest is conducting the annual pump inspection.
- 3) A new outside light has been installed at the hall.
- 4) Many signs have been damaged around the Village
- 5) Bids are being sought to repair the Maple Circle street/E. Maple street intersection.
- 6) Received 2 bids for the purchase of a new tractor.
- 7) Repairs to the backhoe's water pump have been made.

Administration:

- 1) Handed out preliminary budget.

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Sergeant Ester visited with the Council.
- 2) Many cars are parked on the streets from 3 to 6 am and hamper snow removal efforts. These cars will be ticketed according to Village ordinance.
- 3) Noted vandalism within the Village.

Streets: Reviewed various street improvements.

Ordinance: The Council received a Garbage ordinance from Attorney Soltis for review. The Ordinance committee will review this ordinance.

Old Business:

- 1) (Strong/Lewis) Motion to adopt Resolution 2006-03 A Resolution to Rescind Resolution 2004-05 that a proposed realignment of a roadway be designed to bypass the Village of Climax. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

- 2) Reviewed the “Village to City” progress. There has been no action by the Boundary Commission in reviewing information sent in September 2005. Attorney Soltis went to Lansing to visit with the Commission.
- 3) (Willis/Jones) Motion to adopt Resolution 2006-02 A Resolution in support of Incorporation as a Home Rule City. Ayes: Dave Dell, Tom Jones, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, Tricia Willis and Bill Rogers. Nays: None. Abstain: Bill Lewis.

New Business:

- 1) Township Supervisor, Jim Hughes spoke on the possible purchase of the building on W. Maple Street, next to the fire station and its immediate razing. Mr. Hughes still needs to bring this before the Township Board for approval, but wanted to make the Council aware of his intentions. He adds, this property would be suitable for potential Township offices.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. (T.Strong/Dell)
Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk