

# *Village of Climax*

Regular Meeting  
September 2, 2008

Present: Thomas Jones, Bill Lewis, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, President – Bill Rogers and Treasurer – Deb Wyant.

Absent: David Dell, Bill Twiss.

Guests: Kathy Harper, Ed Courtney, Clancy Jones, Bruce Rolfe and Bill Sackrider – DPW.

**(Jones/Lewis)** Motion to approve the agenda as amended. Unanimously approved.

**(Jones/T.Strong)** Motion to approve the minutes of August 19, 2008. Unanimously approved.

Guests:

- 1) Ed Courtney and Clancy Jones, representing Pavement Restoration, Inc., attended the meeting to answer concerns regarding the micro sealing of Maple Street. It appeared that the condition of the road and quality of the job was not up to their past standards. The micro-seal application is designed for heavy traffic and has been used on highways and airport runways. This is the first time a micro-seal application has been applied in our village. At the time of application, its appearance seems to be unfinished, however in time the application will smooth out.
- 2) **(T.Strong/Jones)** Motion to pay Pavement Restoration for work completed on Maple Street at a cost of \$32,957.00. Roll call vote: Ayes – Jones, T.Strong, L.Strong, Rogers; Nays – Lewis. Motion carried 4 to 1.

Communications: None.

Public Works:

- 1) Sidewalk maintenance is complete.
- 2) A tree fell on a home on Sheldon Street. The insurance company has been contacted and the DPW will await further instructions. **(Jones/T.Strong)** Motion to give the DPW, if necessary, authority up to \$2000 to contact a tree service for tree and limb removal within the village. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 3) As many trees in the village right-of-way are aging and their conditions are unknown, the Council would like to contact a tree specialist to come to the village and assess the health of the trees. Suggestions included: Contact Michigan State University or the DNR. Also, a suggestion to explore grants for tree maintenance.

Library: The railing, along the entrance to the library, is in need of repair.

Water:

- 1) Mr. Lewis will work on water control pricing.
- 2) Mr. Lewis would like to work with Township Board member, Richard Thierjung, on testing of well sites outside and around the village. This would be a first step towards the Well Head Protection program in monitoring wells. **(T.Strong/Jones)** Motion to allow Bill Lewis to work with the township to jointly explore water wells in the township surrounding the village. Unanimously approved.

Administration: The Council received a letter from Mr. Sackrider (DPW) of his retirement as of December 31, 2008. **(Jones/T.Strong)** Motion to acknowledge receipt of Mr. Sackrider's letter and accept his retirement. The Council is grateful for his years of service and regret losing him. Unanimously approved.

Law enforcement / Fire:

- 1) Still looking into a surveillance system.
- 2) Township assessment meeting was reviewed. **(Lewis/T.Strong)** Motion to have the public safety committee send to the Township Board a letter of intent of the Council's willingness to work with them in the event the millage fails. Ayes – 3, Nays – 2 (Jones, L.Strong) Motion carried 3 to 2.

Old Business:

- 1) **(Lewis/Jones)** Motion to accept the June 30, 2008 amended treasurer's report (Totals have not changed; only water revenue receipt amounts have been split.) Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 2) **(Jones/L.Strong)** Motion to accept the July 31, 2008 treasurer's report. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 3) Note: September 20 is village-wide trash pickup – Best Way customers only.

New Business: None

(Jones/L.Strong) The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.  
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk