

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting
September 4, 2007

Present: David Dell, Tom Jones, Bill Lewis, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, Bill Twiss, President – Bill Rogers and Treasurer – Deb Wyant. Absent: None

Also Present: David Knapp, Mike Gibson – DPW, Chuck Betz – Climax-Scotts School Board President, Geoffrey Balkam – Climax-Scotts Superintendent, and Bruce Rolfe.

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

(Lewis/Dell) Motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2007 as written. Unanimously approved.

(Jones/Lewis) Motion to correct the minutes of April 17, 2007 to reflect the following:
Unanimously approved.

- a. **(Twiss/T.Strong)** Motion to adopt resolution 2007-06 – to set millage rate. Roll call vote – Unanimously approved.
- b. **(T.Strong/L.Strong)** Motion to appoint the treasurer to act in the absence of the clerk. Unanimously approved.
- c. **(T.Strong/L.Strong)** Motion to appoint the clerk to act in the absence of the treasurer. Unanimously approved.

Guests:

- 1) Dr. Balkam and Chuck Betz addressed the water contamination issue at the school. The middle school has its own well and for the third time in five years, contamination of water system has occurred. They are in the middle of purging the system and it should be back online shortly. The Superintendent is looking into options, one being the costs of hooking the school into the village water system.
- 2) Rev. David Knapp asked for usage of the park to hold a peace gathering – songs, prayers and readings – to coincide with the international day of peace. **(T.Strong/Twiss)** Motion to authorize the peace gathering in the park from 12 – 1:00 on September 21st. Unanimously approved.

Public Works:

- 1) Tree trimming is needed throughout the village. Mr. Gibson will identify the trees and get estimates.
- 2) The recent storm has knocked down a tree limb on S.Main Street causing power outage in the area, pump house #1 a/c was off line due to Consumers Energy turning off power in the area and was damaged due to extreme heat and the computer system was also damaged due to the extreme heat in the pump house. A generator system is being investigated to provide electricity to all three pumps and pump houses in the event of another power outage.
- 3) Many complaints of rust colored water. This is due to the agitation of the water in the system from the fluctuating levels of the water tower. All hydrants have been flushed to alleviate the problem.

Water:

- 1) Bill Lewis has talked with engineers on wellhead protection. The problem with the protection plan is that not all water wells are not regulated – these include irrigation wells. The positive part of the plan is the education potential in preserving the integrity of the water supply. Grants may be available.

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Terry Strong has been in contact with Chief Mau, of the Galesburg Police Department. The initial contact was productive. Advantages are faster response times and more hours of police coverage. Chief Mau will contact the City Council and pass along the village's interest for their service.

Ordinance/Zoning:

- 1) Letters have been mailed to ordinance violations.

Old Business:

- 1) Scott to work on a resolution to increase the non-sufficient fund (NSF) fee from \$7 to \$25 for all checks returned with insufficient funds.
- 2) Need to include the NSF fee into the fee summary
- 3) Scott to check with MCC to get a list of fees that are within the ordinances.

New Business: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk