

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting
September 7, 2010

Present: Tom Jones, Bill Lewis, Norm Lyons, Terry Strong, Kyle Smith – President and Deb Wyant - Treasurer.

Absent: Steve Davis, Dave Hopkins.

Guests: Mike Gibson, John Gisler and Bruce Rolfe.

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

(Lyons/Jones) Motion to table the approval of the minutes of August 17, 2010 with the addition of the following: “11.75 Sheriff patrol hours for August”. Unanimously approved.

Guests: Mr. Gisler, candidate for County Commission, passed on information from other community boards he visits.

Communications:

- 1) County Treasurer Mary Balkema sent purchase information on vacant property on W. Maple Street.
- 2) Kalamazoo Valley Trail Association sent information on advertising in their newsletter in order to support Kalamazoo county trails. The Village Council cannot use public money to place such an advertisement.
- 3) A letter of complaint was received regarding a building of a fence that appears to be outside the village.

Public Works:

- 1) Pump reports and samples are done for September.
- 2) The property at 111 Ebinger was hooked up to the village water system.
- 3) UMC (chapel) is looking to hook up to the village water system.
- 4) DEQ inspection identified the following:
 - Cement slabs needed around pumps.
 - Storage tank inspection next year. We have received a bid from Liquid Engineering.
 - Cross connection inspections.
 - Well head protection.
 - Environment response plan.
 - Bacteria sample plans.
 - Overall maintenance is satisfactory.
- 5) Starting sidewalk repair soon.
- 6) Problems with kids climbing up onto the Post Office’s roof.
- 7) Garbage has been placed near the road at a home on N. Church Street.
- 8) Lawn care bids needed for properties on the east and west sides of the fire station.

Water:

- 1) Discussed the Peerless Midwest invoice. **(Lyons/Strong)** Motion to pay Peerless Midwest’s invoice for labor and maintenance on Well #1 in the amount of \$18,882.10. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

- 2) Need to budget \$20,000 for the 2011-12 year for well maintenance. Discussed the costs of maintenance in comparison to water system revenue. Will revenues keep up with increasing costs? Currently there are 20 homes in the village are either for sale or vacant.

Library/Parks: Key boxes are available and range from \$30 to \$200.

Administration: No report.

Public Safety: Fire Department Officers meeting set for Sunday 9/12.

Ordinances:

- 1) 250 N. Main (some progress)
- 2) 307 E. Maple (tall grass)
- 3) Columbine (tall grass)
- 4) 111 W. Maple (next to fire department)
- 5) Sunflower home (tall grass)
- 6) 155 S. Lovell (tall grass)
- 7) Committee meeting was held.

President time: no report

Old Business: Students smoking on property east of Cemetery. Arrangements have been made between the school and the property owner to allow students to go off of school property to smoke (Adult Education).

New Business: None

(Lyons/Lewis) The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk