

Village of Climax  
April 4, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, H. Hinton.

Oath of Office was administered by the Clerk to Charlie Allen, Nathan Strong, & Salli Thompson.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to approve the March 21, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

GUESTS: Hank Hinton approached the Council concerning the Ordinance Violation letter that he received from the Village Attorney.

Reviewed the monument lighting bid from Nuyen Electric and he will review the monument fixtures & globes with Ben and forward to the Council an itemized bid.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to accept the Treasurer's Report of March 31, 1995. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works - The regional water meeting is on April 12, 1995 in Battle Creek. VILLAGE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THAT DAY. Started cleaning the streets of sand and debris. Received a revised patrol report.

Finance - Received the 1995/96 budget and reviewed the completed 1994/95 budget. Discussion held concerning an IRA for Ben & Mike. Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to up the petty cash to \$200.00. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Cemetery - Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to have the library railing replaced and a limit of \$1200.00 with the plastic railing. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Public Safety - Presented to the Council a patrol report.

Streets - Discussion concerning the broken sidewalks and the divots in the Village right-of-way caused by heavy machinery. Ben to get number of sidewalks broken and take pictures of the sidewalks and Village right-of-way.

Ordinance - Lawyer has sent to the seven ordinance violators a final letter. Since receiving the letters two violations have been taken care of. If those left have not complied with the Ordinance, Clerk will contact the Lawyer for the final step.

Water - Attended the meeting with the County concerning the Licensing of the Waste Haulers. Attended meeting with the Waste Haulers concerning their pickups. Discussion concerning the goals for the employees for 1995.

New Business: Would like articles from the Council members for a newsletter for the Village citizens. Discussion concerning the Village-wide Yard sale. Discussion held concerning replacement of the large truck. Strong to look into a State equipment auction/sale.

Motion by Thompson, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 9:17 p.m.

*Denise Strong*-----  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
April 18, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Strong to approve the April 4, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

GUESTS: None.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to approve the Bill Package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

General consensus of the Council to let the American Legion Auxiliary sell poppies on May 18, 19, 20, 1995 within the Village.

MML seminar brochures were passed throughout the Council.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works - Pump #1 has been pulled and taken into Layne's to be checked. Discussion concerning MTS inspection of plumbing of the water hookups. President Kirkham will contact MTS for further review.

Finance - Reviewing the Risk Control Guideline Manual.

Cemetery - Motion by O'Hare, supported by Elwell to accept Option #2 from Nuyen Electric for the repair of the Monument lighting for \$ 650.00. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to accept bid from DK Fence for buftec railing for the Lawrence Memorial Library of \$1,280.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Have an appointment with the High School to discuss & review plans for the improvement of the park playground.

Public Safety - No report. Discussion regarding the patrols with the Village Limits.

Streets - Ben is to start marking the sidewalks for replacement. C. Allen is to contact the homeowners on North Lovell concerning replacement or removal of sidewalks.

Ordinance - Received a complaint concerning barking dogs. Citizens are to contact the County Sheriff or Animal Control.

Water - The last recycling is April 22, 1995. Have contacted the MML on a State auction, & buyers co-op for possible truck purchase. Have asked for bids for a Village wide trash pickup.

Old Business: Newsletter articles should be submitted to Clerk by May 16, 1995. Reviewed a Work Order form for special projects that are assigned by the Council to the Public Works employees.

New Business: Ben presented to the Council a history of black topping of Village Streets.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adopt Resolution 95-3, Corporate Deposit. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by O'Hare to adjourn the meeting @ 8:55 p.m.

Denise Strong  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
May 2, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, C. Mack & Sgt. Frever.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Allen to approve the April 18, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by O'Hare to adopt the Treasurer's Report dated April 30, 1995. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

GUESTS: Cleon Mack, representative from the Community Association, has the approval to purchase 8 flags from the Community Association, and would like the Village Council for their approval. In the future the Community Association will be looking into a logo for the Village of Climax.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to have the Village employees maintain & install the 8 additional flags purchased by the Community Association. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Sgt. Frever attended the meeting to discuss the patrol officers act as our Ordinance enforcer. Motion by Strong, supported by Glazer to adopt the Ordinance Violation procedure as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works - Ben presented prices for interior doors for the Village hall. Need to check on the ADA requirements of door sizes. Pump #1 has been installed and is working. Strong received information on the State equipment auction and gave it to Ben for further review.

Finance - Reviewed the 4th quarter fire department bill. Would like an officer to attend a meeting when they are going to purchase equipment that has not been budgeted.

Cemetery - No report.

Public Safety - Reviewed 2 months of police patrol reports.

Streets - Motion by Allen, supported by Elwell to remove sections of sidewalk in front of 2 houses on N. Lovell street, to put top soil & grass seed on it; also to repair the part in front of Mrs. Harrison property. Roll call vote; Ayes - All. Motion carried.

Ordinance - Reviewing the Ordinances & Code Book. Would like to attend the 2nd half of the liability seminar. Asked the Council to look into purchasing more "Children at Play" signs for

the Village. Ben is to look into the pricing of signs.

Water - Need to have a Committee meeting concerning equipment maintenance.

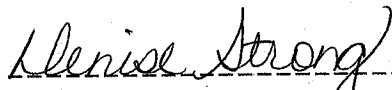
Old Business: Newsletter articles should be submitted to Clerk by May 16, 1995.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Strong to accept the Waste Management bid for a Village wide trash pick-up. Roll call vote; Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to set the Village-wide Yard Sale for June 17, 1995, starting at 9:00 a.m. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

New Business: On June 12, 1995 Air Care & the Climax Twp Fire department will be sponsoring a program at the High School @ 11 a.m. for Drunk Driving Awareness Week.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Strong to adjourn the meeting @ 9:40 p.m.

  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
May 16, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant.

Motion by Allen, supported by O'Hare to approve the May 2, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to pay the bill package as presented with the deletion of City Treasurer payment. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

GUESTS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: Michigan Municipal Insurance audited the payroll for workman's comp. Reviewed the Attorney's letter concerning Mr. McNutt's hearing. Directed Clerk to contact Lawyer on an Ordinance Violation on Sheldon Street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works - No report.

Finance - No report.

Cemetery - Will have the Library railing installed before Memorial Day. There is a backorder on the globes for the monument lighting. Have spoken with the school concerning redoing the Village of Climax sign. Place an article in the newsletter that the Village Council is unaware of any name given to the Park and would like to know if any citizen is aware of any name to the Park. If there is no given name to the Park, possible having a "Name the Park" contest.

Public Safety - No report.

Streets - No report.

Ordinance - Reading the Ordinances one by one. Is going to look into updating the present Zoning Ordinance and a Land Use Plan. Have drafted a letter to send to the surrounding Villages for a copy of their Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

Water - Held a committee meeting to discuss the truck maintenance to the medium truck, possible overhauling of the motor to the snow plow truck, and looked at the fire department radio system in the water tower. Issue work order to have bids for the snow plow truck's motor rebuilt and to repair the loose steering.

Motion by Glazer, supported by O'Hare to adjourn the meeting @  
8:40 p.m.

Denise Strong  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk



Village of Climax  
June 6, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, J. Simmons, S. Johnson.

Motion by Strong, supported by Allen to approve the May 16, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to approve the Treasurer's report dated 5/31/95 as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUETS:** Steve Johnson & John Simmons presented to the Council the idea of a Community building which would have a large meeting room, Township & Village offices, & fire station to be placed at the present site of the Township Hall.

Steve Johnson told the Council that Rodad's is looking into purchasing a leaf vacuum system to provide residents a new service.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Repair estimate for the large dump truck from Gibson Truck Repair is from \$1650 to \$2450. One door in the village hall has been replaced. The cost to purchase a new toilet is \$195.00 from the Climax Hardware Store.

Issued a workorder for the painting of Library window trim and removal of sidewalk on Lovell street in front Machin resident to the corner.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Strong to accept Southern Michigan Auto Body bid for \$874.37 to paint the medium truck. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to accept the bid from Gibson Truck Repair to repair the large dump truck as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Nays; None. Motion carried.

**Finance** - Glazer presented to the Council pictures of the Village Limit signs and formed a subcommittee of M. Glazer, M. Elwell, & N. Strong. This subcommittee will look into replacing the present sign system with something more eyepleasing and have the signs replaced with newer signs.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - Reviewed police patrol report. Asked M. Elwell to look into a possible early morning patrol w/i the Village limits.

**Streets** - Received 3 bids for the replacement of sidewalk. Motion by Strong, supported by Elwell to accept the bid from Craig Roe for \$24.00/slab. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**Ordinance** - Reviewing the Public Safety Ordinance. Have received the Schoolcraft Village LUP and Zoning Book. Richland Village LUP is free but the Zoning book has a cost of \$15.00.

Send a Ordinance violation letter to 382 E. Maple concerning weeds 12" and higher.

Foster & Son's proposed to have a canopy over the fuel pumps that would extend to the sidewalk and put a rotating sign. Check the Ordinances for any specifications for this proposed project.

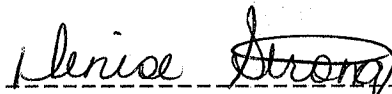
Motion by Strong, supported by Glazer to approve the HazMat Response agreement with Young's Environmental Cleanup Inc. Roll call vote; Ayes; All. Nays; None. Motion carried.

**Water** - Yard Sale ads are being placed in newspapers & shoppers.

Motion by Strong, supported by Allen to set the millage rate of General to 9 mils and hydrant rental to 2 mils. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by Elwell to change the July 4 meeting to July 5, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 9:25 p.m.

  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
June 20, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, W. Graham.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to approve the June 6, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by Thompson to approve the Bill package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Wes Graham would like the Council to look into an Ordinance that would make residents responsible for taking care of their own leaves. Discussed with the Council his concerns of homeowners not obtaining driveway permits and putting in driveways without proper tiles for drainage.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - The sidewalk on Lovell street has been removed, top soil applied and seeded. Tentatively set for replacement of sidewalks for the second week in July.

Motion by O'Hare supported by Glazer to allow Mike Gibson to hire a temporary employee from June 30 to July 7 as needed. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Will be reading water meters on Monday, June 26th. Flushing hydrants on June 23rd. Have applied 1 coat on the Library windows. Ben gave the Council the City of Galesburg employee policy handbook.

**Finance** - No report.

**Cemetery** - Having a meeting on June 23rd with the Superintendent of Climax Schools to discuss the projects that the Council would like the school to do for the Village.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - Gave the Council an update on the 140 Sheldon Street violation. Clerk is to call the Lawyer to have him hold on any more violations with that address until further notice.

**Ordinance** - Received a call concerning garbage cans being knocked over. Violation at 382 E. Maple is not in compliance, Clerk is to take the next step to correct this violation.

**Water** - Received a complaint concerning the Boy Scouts selling hotdogs and ice cream. American Legion is interested in connecting into the Village water system. Felt that the Yard Sale did not attract as many people as in the past due to area activities. Will be looking into another date later in June next year.

The Fire Department Radio has been somewhat enclosed and they are having problems with it shutting down because of the heat.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Strong that the Village Council will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, July 5, 1995 at 8:00 p.m. at the Lawrence Memorial Library, North Main Street, Climax, Michigan; for the purpose of which is to obtain citizen's comments concerning increasing property taxes 0.84 or reducing the present millage 0.0756 mils to 8.9244. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Wilkins & Wheaton will not be printing tax bills after the summer of 1995. The Township is looking into purchasing the tax program from Siegfried, Crandall, Vos & Lewis. To purchase the option in which would allow this program to print Village bills is \$500.00. Treasurer will go to the next Township meeting to discuss this with the Township Board.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to allow Clerk to purchase a copy machine at her discretion and to stay within the budgeted amount of \$1,000.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to adjourn the meeting @ 9:17 p.m.

Denise Strong  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
July 5, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to approve the June 20, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by Allen to accept the Treasurer's Report dated 6/30/95. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** + Mike got help from and employee from the Climax Telephone Co. to put up flags for the 4th of July holiday. The small truck will be taken in for repair in August for a week.

Issue a workorder for the marking of the sidewalks before removal.

Issue a workorder for the repair of sidewalk on N. Lovell Street.

**Finance** - No report.

**Cemetery** - Haven't heard from anyone concerning a name for the park. Had a meeting with the Superintendent concerning the projects for the Park.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - No report.

Motion by Strong, supported by O'Hare to recess the meeting. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to open the Truth & Taxation hearing @ 8:00 p.m. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to adopt Resolution 95-4; Resolution of Notice of Public Hearing regarding full retention of 9 operating mils. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by O'Hare to close the Truth & Taxation hearing at 8:07 p.m. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**Ordinance** - Discussion of the ordinance violation of James McNutt. Motion by O'Hare, supported by Strong to Issue its Order requiring the Defendants to appear and show cause why they should not be held in contempt of Court and its Orders for failing and

refusing to remove the inoperable vehicle and junk from the yard.  
Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Clerk to contact lawyer concerning the ordinance violation of  
Hazel Worden.

ATTENTION: Dogs owners are required to keep their dogs on a  
leash and kept within their own property.

**Water** - Will have a copy of the City of Galesburg handbook  
for all Council Members for the next meeting.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @  
8:40 p.m.

*Denise Strong*

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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
July 18, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, S. Thompson, N. Strong. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to approve the July 5, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by Allen to accept the Bill Package dated 7/18/95. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Daniel Romes suggested that the Village Council look into an agreement with the Climax Scotts Schools that would allow the Village employees access to the water system to flush water hydrants and to get to the gate valves. The light on the monument has been out and would like to look into a waterproof lighting system. Charlie Allen & Ben Holtz marked sidewalks. Ben Holtz brought to the Council a citizen inquiry about purchasing more than four Cemetery lots. Request must be given to the Council in writing for consideration.

**Finance** - No report.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - Contact property owners on West Maple Street for possible removal of certain bad sections of sidewalk. Discussed extending sidewalk to the bikepath on the North side of West Maple Street.

**Ordinance** - List of ordinance violations concerning junk cars, weeds 12" & higher, building material pile, and illegal use of a dwelling given to the Clerk to send ordinance violation letters.

**Water** - Discussion of the water connection charge for the apartment building on South Main and the American Legion.

Motion by Glazer, supported by O'Hare to set the water connection charge of \$3,000.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Discussed the update of the McNutt and Worden ordinance violation.

Clerk & Treasurer reported on a water system billing program. Could not justify the purchase of the new program. Showed the

Council examples of water bill forms that will be using for the next billing.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 9:00 p.m.

Denise Strong  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk



Village of Climax  
August 1, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, S. Thompson, N. Strong. Members absent: M. Elwell. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, H. Hinton, D. Tucker, C. Tucker, M. Cowen.

Motion by Allen, supported by O'Hare to approve the July 18, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Strong to accept the Treasurer's Report dated 7/31/95. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** M. Cowen approached the Village Council regarding the illegal use of a dwelling. Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to allow M. Cowen until August 31, 1995 to remove the school bus from her property. Roll call vote: Ayes; Allen, Glazer, O'Hare, Thompson. Nays; Strong, Kirkham. Absent: Elwell. Motion carried.

H. Hinton approached the Council concerning the requirements for a self-storage unit.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Climax-Scotts School has T'ed into the water system. Will be starting to tear out sidewalk soon. There is a spot on the sport bracket on the Kabota that needs to be fixed. The big dump truck is at Bob Gibsons for repair. Smaller truck will be in for repair after the sidewalks are completed.

**Finance** - No report.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - Mr. Adams & Mrs. Smith wouldn't mind having the sidewalk torn out in front of their residence. Have contacted Nuyen electric concerning a different fixture for the monument lighting.

**Ordinance** - Send 2 ordinance violation letters for unused, inoperable cars. Clerk to contact the Kalamazoo County Environmental Health department regarding letter sent to Hazel Worden.

**Water** - Discussion of water flushing for the hydrant located at the school.

Motion by Allen, supported by Strong to allow B. Wyant to send to the auditors the F-65 report for review if Brad deems necessary. Roll call vote: Ayes; Allen, Glazer, O'Hare, Strong, Thompson, Kirkham. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 8:45 p.m.

*Denise Strong*

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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
August 15, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Glazer, C. Kirkham, S. Thompson, N. Strong. Members absent: M. Elwell, M. O'Hare. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, W. Patterson, S. Johnson, R. Beard.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to approve the August 1, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Thompson to accept the Bill package dated 8/15/95. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Wayne Patterson discussed with the Council regarding the purchase of water from the Village. R. Beard approached the Council on a driveway permit.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen the approval of the driveway permit contingent of Wes Graham's approval. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Steve Johnson gave the Council a quarterly Fire Department report. Would give the Clerk a run report for the next meetings review. Hired two new fire fighters. All fire fighters are MFR, except the new recruits. Have two enrolled into fire fighter I class. Purchased Jaws of Life from the Galesburg Speedway for \$6,000.00. The new radio system is working well. Reminder that every resident of the Village of Climax must call for a burning permit.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Will be pouring cement for sidewalk later this week. The School has a leak in the water main. Discussed cost over-run on the repair of the big dump truck.

Charlie Allen requested to know what the Village employees do during their working hours.

**Finance** - Held a finance committee and discussed options for investing the return of the mutual funds. FOA has waived half of the fee for the withdrawal of the money. Committee agreed to open a Municipal Investment Fund account with the returned investment money. Talked with the Community Association the proposed project of the Village sign project.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - Police reports for June & July were presented.

**Streets** - Received permission from all the property owners on West Maple street to remove existing sidewalks.

Motion by Allen, supported by Glazer to remove existing sidewalks on West Maple Street from the railroad track to the end @ 313 West Maple. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**Ordinance** - No report.

**Water** - Will need to set up an employee relations committee meeting.

The Court ordered the Village Council to place a dumpster at Mr & Mrs McNutt residence so that they will come into compliance with the Village of Climax ordinances. This order is for 45 days starting on August 14, 1995.

Motion by Thompson, supported by Allen to start the proceedings for 140 Sheldon Street on the cleaning of the exterior of the property. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 9:23 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
September 5, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong. Members absent: S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, T. Taylor, L. Willis, J. Smith, B. Machin.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by O'Hare to approve the August 15, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to accept the Treasurer's Report dated 8/31/95. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Liz Willis & Jim Smith would like to have the Council's permission to open the time capsule in the Monument during a ceremony of the 100th anniversary of rural mail carriers. Clerk is to check minutes regarding if the capsule is still there.

Betty Machin expressed her concern regarding the old Lumber Yard building. Wild animals and kids have gained entrance to the building and the building is deteriorating. President/Clerk is to contact the lawyer concerning possible dangerous building Ordinance Violation.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Will be tearing out more sidewalks on Wednesday and will be pouring at the end of the week. The Climax/Scotts schools have completed hooking up to the Village water system. The big dump truck is back and is in working order. Forward to N. Strong an estimate regarding an uninterruptable power supply for the water system. Work orders regarding painting of the Library windows and the sidewalk repair on North Lovely street has been completed.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to appropriate \$3,700 to pay Gibson Truck Repair for the repair of the big dump truck. Roll call vote: Ayes-Elwell, Glazer, O'Hare, Kirkham, Strong. Nays-Allen. Absent-Thompson. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to transfer \$2,500 from Insurance/Bonds to Equipment repair. Roll call vote: Ayes-Elwell, Glazer, O'Hare, Kirkham, Strong. Nays-Allen. Absent-Thompson. Motion carried.

**Finance** - Will be opening MI accounts with the mutual fund investment checks. Discussion regarding the Village of Climax signs and will be contacting E. Smith of the Community Association.

**Cemetery** - Will be having a meeting with the school at the end of this week, early next week, regarding the repainting of the "Village of Climax" sign North of town. Community Association would like to leave the name of the Park "Climax Village Park". O'Hare was contacted by Carol Hoard if she could paint the animal swings that are in the park.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to allow Carol Hoard to paint the animal swings in the park, using Ben Holtz as the supply coordinator. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

**Public Safety** - The Jaws of Life will be demonstrated at the next Township meeting on September 12, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. and would like the Council members present. Fire Department has requested permission to remove the radio from the inside of the water tower and install it on a backboard to be placed to the right of the consumer power meter. Council members agreed that they would like to see a drawing & plans of the installation and that they need to talk with Ben Holtz first regarding where they want to put the radio.

**Streets** - 130 sidewalks have been replaced as of today. Light fixture for the flag on the monument will be fixed possibly this week. Questions concerning the payment of personal sidewalk on South Main Street. Questions concerning water payment from Mr. Paterson.

**Ordinance** - Send an ordinance violation letter for a unused, inoperable vehicle on Cherry Street.

**Water** - Will be getting with Ben regarding an uninterruptable power supply for the water tower.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Strong to adjourn the meeting @ 9:23 p.m.

Denise Strong  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
September 19, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, L. Leach, M. Foster, S. Smith, L. Kelly.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to approve the September 5, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by O'Hare to accept the September Bill Package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Lori Kelly requested permission from the Village Council to have the Homecoming Parade at 4:00 p.m. and to be escorted by the Climax Township Fire Department. Motion by Glazer, supported by N. Strong to allow the Homecoming parade proceed through the Village of Climax. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Larry Leach expressed to the Village Council the importance of obtaining a burning permit before burning any leaves and brush.

Mike Foster & Scott Smith took the Council to the Water Tower and showed them how they wanted to mount the radio system to the outside of the water tower. Motion by Allen, supported by N. Strong to accept the Fire Department proposal plan for the placement of the radio system. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Mike Gibson has rescheduled for '88 Ford to go to Richardson's the last of September, first of October for painting. Asked if the Council is going to offer trees to the residents this fall. Council will wait and see what the feedback is from the residents. Discussed tree trimming for this fall. Ben asked for uniform pants for him & Mike. Ben is to check on prices for the pants. There is a crack on South Main Street. Council member asked Ben to look into it and wanted to have it patched before this winter.

**Finance** - The accounts have been transferred into a sweep MIF account.

**Cemetery** - Carol Howard has painted two of the animal swings in the park. Would like to advertise to accept bids for putting a 10' high fence around the water tower.

**Public Safety** - August Police report was presented to the Council. Have contacted the Sheriff's office and requested to have some early morning patrols within the Village. Attended a meeting with the Michigan RFD Centennial Celebration. Discussed the possible time capsule in the Monument.

**Streets** - Bill Lewis wishes to have the sidewalk removed that is on his property. Motion by Allen, supported by O'Hare to remove the sidewalk in front of Bill Lewis' house. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried. The monument flag light has been moved down, new wiring, fixture & bulb and is now water proof.

**Ordinance** - Mr. Eaton's Lumber yard building has been condemned by Michigan Township Services. Discussion regarding the junk cars on Cherry Street. Discussion regarding the bus on Ebinger Street. There is an abandoned vehicle on South Main Street that will be called into the Sheriff's Department. Send an ordinance violation letter to a property owner on Sheldon Street for an unused, inoperable vehicle.

**Water** - Met with Ben regarding an uninterruptable power supply for the water tower computer.

Motion by Strong, supported by O'Hare to adjourn the meeting @ 9:03 p.m.

*Denise Strong*

Denise Strong, Village Clerk



Village of Climax  
October 3, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, J. Smith.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to approve the September 19, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Elwell to accept the September 30, 1995 Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Jim Smith of the Michigan Rural Letter Carrier's discussed with the Council the time capsule in the monument and a few marketing ideas.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Met with the Tree Man and received a bid for tree trimming, tree removal and stump removal. A bid of \$475.00 was presented from the Tree Man.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Glazer to allow Ben to spend up to \$600.00 and to coordinate with the Tree Man for tree work within the Village Limits. Roll call vote: Ayes- Elwell, Glazer, O'Hare, Strong, Thompson & Kirkham. Nays-Allen. Motion carried.

Workorders for the removal of sidewalk on East & West Maple have been completed. The medium dump truck will go into Richardson's this Thursday for body repair. Mike & I cut out letters for the Village Sign, spray painted them and screwed them in. Will be checking with Mike Selbee on an estimate to fix the cracks on South Main Street. Have an estimate for pants \$19.50 ea and shorts \$15.50 ea.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Thompson to purchase 8 pants & 4 shorts for Ben & Mike. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Will be picking up leaves starting October 16, 1995.

**Finance** - Passed to the Council members a sketch of the proposed new Village sign. Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to spend up to \$450.00 for materials for the specifications presented to the Council for the Village sign. Roll call vote: Ayes-Allen, Elwell, Glazer, Thompson, Kirkham. Nays-O'Hare, Strong. Motion carried.

**Cemetery** - Animal swing in the park have been painted and looks really good. Have contacted 3 companies for a bid for the fence around the water tower. Would like to see a Thank you card sent to Carol Howard for her time and talent that she put into the painting of the animals in the park.

**Public Safety** - Have contacted the Sheriff's Department for an escort for the Homecoming Parade. Would like to see a Deputy at the next meeting.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Mrs. Cowen's Ordinance violation has been correct and the case has been dropped. Discussion regarding the McNutt & Eaton Ordinance violation.

**Water** - Met with Ben last Saturday regarding an uninterruptable power supply for the water tower computer. The battery backup at the well house is nonfunctional.

Trustee would like us to look into 9 junk cars that are behind the gas station.

A garage on South Main Street was built without a building permit and has not been properly inspected. Have contacted the Building officials for their review.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to adjourn the meeting @ 9:15 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
October 17, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Thompson to approve the October 3, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by O'Hare to accept the October bill package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - The medium dump truck's body work has been completed and back into service. Have started the leaf pickup. Have also received the uniform pants & shorts. Discussed the placement of the Village signs.

**Finance** - Met with Ben to discuss the placement of the signs and talked with the Community Association regarding the Village sign.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - Police report for September was received and distributed to the Council members. Have received complaints concerning kids shooting BB guns within the Village limits. These complaints will be referred to the Sheriff's Department.

**Streets** - Will check with the Clerk to see how many sidewalk sections that the Village paid for.

**Ordinance** - Discussed the ordinance violation letter that was sent to Mr. Eaton. Discussed the ordinance violation of Mr. McNutt's.

**Water** - No report.

Have contacted WMU, Dr. Davis, regarding the time capsule. Thanked Carol Howard personally for her painting of the Animal swings in the park. A thank you letter was also sent to Carol Howard on behalf of the Village Council.

Council members that will be on the Community Building committee will be Chuck Kirkham & Mike Glazer.

Petitions for the positions of President, Treasurer, Clerk and 3 trustees are available from the Village Clerk and have to be filled by November 28, 1995 @ 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Allen, supported by Glazer to have Armor Joint sealant to seal cracks on Main & Maple Street for a total of 2,000 ft. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Thompson to adjourn the meeting @ 8:18 p.m.

Denise Strong  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
November 7, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Members absent: M. Glazer, M. O'Hare. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, D. Kidney, Sgt. Frever, & H. Hinton.

Motion by Allen, supported by Strong to approve the October 17, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Elwell to accept the October Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Hank Hinton addressed the Council regarding an invoice that he received for burning without a permit. The invoice will be put on hold until further investigation into this matter. Hank Hinton also addressed the Council regarding of a building permit for his garage.

Don Kidney of the Climax American Legion, approached the Council on a waiver or reduction of the connection fee for water hookup. Decision will be tabled until November 21 meeting for further review.

Sgt. Frever discussed with the Council the present police protection and ordinance enforcement within the Village Limits.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Discussed with Gove Associates about the wellhead protection act that could possibly effect the Village. The cracks on Main & Maple streets have been repaired. Haven't been able to meet with Mike Glazer on the placement of the Village signs. 90% of the leaves have been picked.

**Finance** - No report.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Received a letter from Mr & Mrs. McNutt regarding their ongoing ordinance violations. Will be forwarding onto the lawyer this letter and a copy of a 91 page document that was mailed to the Village.

**Water** - No report.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Elwell to appoint Bob Wetherall as the hearing officer and November 21, 1995 @ 6:30 p.m. for a Public hearing regarding Mr. Eaton's ordinance violation of the Climax Lumberyard. Ayes; All. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to adjourn the meeting @ 9:06 p.m.

Denise Strong  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
November 21, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, C. Kirkham, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, D. Kidney.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Allen to approve the November 7, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Thompson to approve the bill package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Don Kidney of the Climax American Legion, discussed with the Council regarding the water connection fee to the Village water system. Discussion on a contract to allow further dumping of concrete and fill dirt on the American Legion property.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Purchased paint for the interior of the Village Hall. We are done picking up leaves for the fall, but if a citizen needs to have some picked up they may contact Ben.

**Finance** - Will be holding a budget prep meeting after the holidays.

**Cemetery** - Discussed the bid for a fence around the Village water tower and agreed to table the project until further notice due to the cost.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - The sidewalk sections that we replaced agrees with the figure that the Clerk paid for.

**Ordinance** - Will be checking on some unused, inoperable cars within the Village limits. Will also be reviewing the Hazardous Waste Ordinance that was received tonight.

**Water** - Talked with Dan Romes regarding the Wellhead Protection Act.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Glazer to reschedule the Public Hearing for Mr. Eaton, Lumber Yard, ordinance violation for December 5, 1995 @ 6:30 p.m. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 8:15 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk



Village of Climax  
December 5, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, C. Kirkham, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz.

Motion by Allen, supported by O'Hare to approve the November 21, 1995 meeting minutes as printed. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by O'Hare to approve the November 30, 1995 Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** December 7, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. will be a meeting of the Building Committee regarding the proposed Community Building. There is an opening on the Climax Township Road Committee and Charlie Allen, Village Council Member, volunteered to sit on this committee.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Ben Holtz presented to the Council a picture of a used street sweeper to consider for purchase at a cost of approximately \$10,000.00. The community service person has started painting in the Village Hall to fulfill his time requirements.

**Finance** - Would like to have to every Council member an updated budget at the next meeting.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - Presented to the Council the October and November police report.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Gave a copy to N. Strong for his review of the Hazardous Waste Ordinance. The previous junk car ordinance violations have been taken care of. It is the Council's intention to wait until next spring to finish the clean-up of the property at ~~123~~ S. Church in regards to the court order on the current ordinance violation.

**Water** - No report.

Will be setting up a meeting with Mr. Kidney, N. Strong & C. Kirkham to discuss the water hook-up to the American Legion.

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C. Kirkham, Fire Department officers and H. Hinton met regarding a Burning Ordinance violation at 365 S. Main. Owner agreed to pay the fine.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to adjourn the meeting @ 8:12 p.m.

*Denise Strong*-----  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
Mr. Eaton - Climax LumberYard Public Hearing  
December 5, 1995

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present were: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, Bob Soltis, Climax Village Attorney, Bob Wetherill Public Hearing Officer.

The hearing was turned over to Mr. Wetherill. This Public Hearing is regarding the property located at 240 N. Main, Climax, MI 49034 also known as the Climax Lumber yard. Saturday, December 2, 1995 Chuck Kirkham and I did a visual inspection regarding the exterior of the building.

Notice was sent to Mr. Eaton on November 21, 1995 and received the return receipt that was dated November 24, 1995.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

*Denise Strong*

Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
December 19, 1995  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, C. Kirkham, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, D. Stephenson.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Allen to approve the December 5, 1995 meeting minutes as corrected. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Allen to approve the December, 1995 Bill package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Mr. Stephenson addressed the Council regarding citizens leaving trash in their yards for a long period of time. Council will send letter of concern to the resident.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Clerk is to send a letter to the Township Board requesting that they print the Village delinquent roll and the cost of this service. Treasurer needs to have the delinquent roll by March 1, 1996.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Found evidence of termites and have requested bids from two companies. Have only received one as of today. Harco was here today regarding maintenance of the water tower. Suggested looking into a timer for the Christmas lights.

**Finance** - M. Glazer attended the Community Building meeting.

Received a check from the Kalamazoo County Treasurer for \$1,299.28 regarding the Eberstein property. Have received an 8 month completed budget report.

**Cemetery** - Inquired if the Council was interested in a skating rink this season.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Motion by Allen, supported by Elwell to approve the Public Hearing minutes as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; all. Motion carried.

**Water** - Met with C. Kirkham, D. Kidney regarding the American Legion hookup to the water system. Have contacted the Village attorney to draft an agreement with the American Legion.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to approve the recommendation of Bob Wetherill regarding Mr. Eaton's Lumberyard ordinance violation.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 8:50 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
January 2, 1996  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, C. Kirkham, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, D. Denruyder, B. King.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to approve the December 19, 1995 meeting minutes as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to approve the December, 1995 Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Mr. Denruyder approached the Council regarding neighbors that have many junk cars in their yard. Wants the Council to see that they are taken care of soon. Mrs. King approached the Council regarding the vagueness of the minutes of the Council meetings and questioned the recycling bill that she received from the Waste Hauler.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Thursday, January 4, 1996 will be a meeting of the Community building committee.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - The light on the monument for the flag needs to be fixed.

**Finance** - Reviewed figures for the proposed 1996 budget. Set Finance committee meeting for January 11, 1996 for 7:45 p.m.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Discussed the proposed Hazardous Waste Ordinance.

**Water** - Have not received a proposed draft of an agreement with the American Legion for the Village Water hook-up. Set Employee relation meeting for January 11, 1996 for 7:00 p.m.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Elwell to accept the bid from Griffin Pest Control for \$1175.00 to rid of the termites at the Village Hall. Roll call vote: Ayes - All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 8:56  
p.m.

*Denise Strong*-----

Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
January 16, 1996  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, C. Kirkham, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, Wes Graham.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Thompson to approve the January 2, 1996 meeting minutes as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Thompson to approve the January, 1996 Bill Package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Wes Graham discussed with the Council the sign that will be at the top of the Village sign board. The dimensions of the signs that are to be placed on the Village sign board are available by contacting Ben Holtz.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** 365 S. Main Street has obtained the proper building permits.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Gave to the Council the contract for the termite extermination. A rubber gasket was needed for the monument light.

**Finance** - Reviewed the proposed 1996/97 budget that was given to each Council member.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - December patrol report was reviewed by the Council members.

**Streets** - Ben Holtz suggested that we contact the Grand Trunk railroad in regards of extending the sidewalk on the North side of Maple Street.

**Ordinance** - Discussed the proposed Hazardous Waste Ordinance. Working on trying to have the tanks by the railroad removed. Have contacted the County Sheriff's Department regarding ordinance violation at 231 Cherry Street and are waiting for them to take action.

**Water** - Presented to the members a proposed draft agreement of the water hook-up of The American Legion. Waiting for the American Legion to review the proposed contract before the Council takes any action. Have met with the employees and have worked out a proposed increase in salaries and benefits.



Received an estimate from the Township Treasurer on printing a delinquent tax roll and tax notice printing.

Building Committee met on January 4, 1996 and discussed funding and sites for the proposed building.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to adjourn the meeting @ 9:08 p.m.

*Denise Strong*

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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
February 6, 1996  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by President Pro-Tem Strong. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, S. Thompson. Member absent: C. Kirkham. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, Steve Swiegwart.

Motion by Allen, supported by Elwell to approve the January 16, 1996 meeting minutes as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Glazer to approve the January, 1996 Treasurer's Report as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All present. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Steve Swiegwart of Michigan Township Services reviewed with the Council what situations requires a building permit. When indoubt of if you need a permit, call the building inspector @ 345-0120.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Received a bid from Peerless on rebuilding pump #2.

**Finance** - Motion by Glazer, supported by Thompson to set the budget hearing for March 5, 1996 @ 8:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Ayes; All present. Motion carried.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - Have been trying to contact the Sheriff's Department regarding patrols & Ordinance enforcement but have not been able to talk with the contact person. Have received the Fire Department budget for 1996/97.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Talked with Cliff Lipscomb regarding fuel storage tanks next to the Railroad. The tanks are empty, fire marshall has inspected them and will remove them when the weather is better.

**Water** - Discussed Peerless bid and payment of water bills.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 8:40 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
February 20, 1996  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, N. Strong. Members absent: M. O'Hare & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, Ralph Weessies, Mike Foster, Steve Johnson, Larry Leach.

Motion by Allen, supported by N. Strong to approve the February 6, 1996 meeting minutes as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Allen to approve the February, 1996 Bill package as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All present. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Ralph Weessies, Library Board, informed the Council that the Library Board is looking into improving the basement to allow for storage.

Steve Johnson, Ass't Chief, presented a quarterly report of the Fire Department. Last fiscal year they had 89 runs, 26 within the Village. Have 2 graduating from Fire Fighter class, 2 finishing MFR and have enrolled 2 more in MFR classes. The cost of training has gone up, but the classes will include more information. Looking into an ordinance that would allow the Fire Department to bill insurance companies for accidents and fires. Larry Leach presented to the 1996/97 fire budget for the Council. They are holding 2 training meetings a month, and one business meeting and one officer's meeting.

Mike Foster presented to the Council figures of police protection. For one car & deputy it is \$80,000/yr. KCSO will fund half and the other half will be funded by the municipality. Will be talking with the Township regarding police protection also.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

The American Legion has turned down the agreement for the Village Water connection. Dumping of fill dirt & concrete has been stopped. Have contacted the property owner of land located at 42nd and ON Avenue, and he will allow just clean fill dirt. Ben has contacted Aggregate regarding dumping of concrete, they will work on a fee schedule for the Village.

Council member reports that there seems to be some living activity in the bus on Ebinger Avenue.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Attended the Wellhead protection meeting. State has not officially set guidelines. Peerless was out to test and service three pumps. MIOSHA is now requiring anyone holding a CDL license alcohol testing.

**Finance** - Committee meeting on March 12, 1996 @ 7:30 p.m. to take care of budget transfers.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - No report.

**Streets** - No report. Clerk will obtain contracts for seal coating Main & Maple streets from the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

**Ordinance** - No report.

**Water** - Received a card from the Recycling coordinator that recycling has increased by 49% since the curbside recycling program was put into place. Thanked Ben for attend the Wellhead protection meeting and would like to attend the next meeting if his schedule allows.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting @ 9:47 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
March 5, 1996  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, M. Adams.

Motion by Allen, supported by Thompson to approve the February 20, 1996 minutes as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Allen to accept the February 29, 1996 Treasurer's Report presented with ending balances of: General Fund \$149012.91, Major Streets \$64647.10, Local Streets \$18187.83, Water Fund \$81592.04, Perpetual Care \$12435.96. Roll Call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** Mike Adams related to the Council his plan to improve his property by adding a garage and porch. He needs a variance for these projects. Suggested that for the next meeting to have a detailed plan showing measurements and placements of the proposed improvements.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**  
None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Have contacted several equipment dealers and test drove tractors and recommend to the Council to purchase a Kubota tractor from Bronsink Equipment to replace the Deutz tractor. CTS Communications will be removing a portion of the sidewalk on South Church Street and inquired if the Village would share the cost of replacing the sidewalk. Mike & I have signed up to attend a water seminar in Kalamazoo.

**Finance** - Motion by Glazer, supported by Thompson to approve the budget transfer of \$12,864.61 within the General Fund as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - January police reports were presented. Presented a graph of the fire protection cost over the past ten years.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Elwell to recess the meeting at 8:00 p.m. for the Budget hearing.

Motion by Glazer, supported by N. Strong to adopt the 1996/97 budget as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Suggested by M. Elwell that we raise the police protection contract from \$15.00/hr to \$20.00/hr.

Motion by N. Strong, supported by Allen to adjourn the budget hearing at 8:08 p.m. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**Streets** - No report.

**Ordinance** - Kirkham has contacted the Attorney that no action has been taken by Mr. Eaton to correct the violations that the Hearing Officer ruled and to proceed to the next step. Mrs. Harrison did not respond to the second notice and the Sheriffs department will be contacted to have them issue a citation.

**Water** - Motion by Strong, supported by O'Hare that Mike Gibson receive a raise of \$.37/hr effective the first payroll in April. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Strong, supported by O'Hare to give Ben Holtz a raise of \$.24/hr effective the first payroll in April. Roll call vote: Ayes; Elwell, Glazer, O'Hare, Strong, Thompson, Kirkham. Nays; Allen. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by Thompson to adjourn the meeting @ 8:54 p.m.

*Denise Strong*-----  
Denise Strong, Village Clerk

Village of Climax  
March 19, 1996  
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Kirkham. Members present: C. Allen, M. Elwell, M. Glazer, M. O'Hare, C. Kirkham, N. Strong, & S. Thompson. Others present: D. Strong, B. Wyant, B. Holtz, D. Stevenson.

Motion by O'Hare, supported by Allen to approve the March 5, 1996 minutes as presented. Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwell, supported by O'Hare to accept the March, 1996 Bill package as presented. Roll Call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:** None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** President Kirkham forwarded to the Council that the invoice received from Grand Trunk Railroad is correct. Received a letter regarding Michigan's Telecommunications Act.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Public Works** - Brad Roof inspected the Deutz Tractor for a possible bid if the Council decides to sell it. Will schedule to have the pump repaired when the new budget goes into effect.

**Finance** - Motion by Glazer, supported by Allen to approve the budget transfers within the General Fund and Major Streets as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

**Cemetery** - No report.

**Public Safety** - Presented a bar graph of fire protection cost starting in 1992 and projected cost to 2007. Would like to have a copy forwarded to the Township office.

**Streets** - Reported to the Council that street lights in the Sunnymeade Plat are on constantly. Will call Consumer Power to have them repaired. Would like the Council to look into an ordinance that would ban roller blading on the Village streets. Reported to the Council a garage on Cherry Street that is falling down.

**Ordinance** - List of ordinance violations were forwarded to the Clerk to have letters sent out. A Public Hearing is set for April 2, 1996 @ 7:00 p.m. regarding the Ordinance violation located at 240 N. Main Street.

**Water** - Mike O'Hare received five quotes for Insurance for the employees and will review them with the Council. Mike O'Hare suggests that the Council offer the employees the Insurance payment or an Insurance policy. Nathan Strong would like to talk with the

employees regarding the insurance options.

Sgt. Phillips will issue a citation to Mrs. Harrison for not complying to the Nuisance Ordinance.

Gave a farewell to Mike O'Hare & Mike Elwell for their service to the Community of Climax.

Will have the new committees set for the next meeting.

Motion by Allen, supported by O'Hare to accept the bids from the Kalamazoo County Road Commission for seal coating Main Street for \$16,000.00 and Maple Street for \$19,377.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Sworn in the officials who were elected and re-elected.

Motion by Strong, supported by Allen to accept the resignation of Mike Glazer effective April 1, 1996. Roll call vote: Ayes; All. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to adjourn the meeting @ 8:30 p.m.

*Denise Strong*  
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Denise Strong, Village Clerk