

# Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

October 20, 2009

Present: Trustees: Dave Hopkins, Bill Lewis, Norm Lyons, Terry Strong, President – Kyle Smith and Treasurer – Deb Wyant.

Absent: Thomas Jones, Lisa Strong.

Guests: Bruce Rolfe and John Cook.

Agenda: **(Lewis/Hopkins)** Motion to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved.

Minutes: **(Lyons/T.Strong)** Motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of September 15<sup>th</sup> with the following correction regarding the C-S Homecoming parade - “Starting at 3:30 or 4:00 pm.” Unanimously approved.

**(T.Strong/Lewis)** Motion to approve the October 2009 Bill Package totaling \$42,369.84 as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

**(Lewis/T.Strong)** Motion to approve the September 2009 Treasurer's Report as presented:

## Village of Climax Combined Funds on Account as of 9/30/2009

	<b>Sturgis Bank and Trust</b>	<b>First National Bank of MI CD's</b>	<b>Fund Totals</b>
General Fund	\$ 102,507.99	\$ 40,205.74	\$142,713.73
Water	\$ 86,318.62	\$ 45,261.93	\$131,580.55
Major Streets	\$ 64,635.73	\$ 21,115.76	\$85,751.49
Local Streets	\$ 30,747.02	\$ 10,036.13	\$40,783.15
Perpetual Care (CD)	\$ 11,406.63		\$11,406.63
Petty Cash	\$ 200.00		\$200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$295,815.99</b>	<b>\$ 116,619.56</b>	<b>\$412,435.55</b>

FDIC Limit \$ 250,000.00

Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: No comments.

Communications: None

Public Works:

- 1) Water computer controls have been installed.
- 2) Leaf pickup will begin on Monday.
- 3) Water system training meeting for the Public Works is 10/21/09.
- 4) Resident need to keep leaves on the grass and not in the road.
- 5) John to take the level 4 water test in early November.

Streets: No report.

Parks/Library:

- 1) Need to place the “No Loitering” sign in the library door window.
- 2) Yellow jacket infestation at the library.

Water:

- 1) **(Lyons/T.Strong)** Motion to obtain a loan from Sturgis Bank and Trust Co., in the amount of \$50,000, 10 year fixed interest rate, one annual payment, No prepayment penalties, for the financing of water system controls and cathodic protection upgrades. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved. Absent: Jones and L. Strong.
- 2) **(Lewis/Lyons)** Motion to adopt Resolution 2009-03, Water Rate Increase. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved. Absent: Jones and L. Strong.

Administration: No report.

Public Safety:

- 1) Reported on the fire department run stats.
- 2) Getting more information and bids for the surveillance system.
- 3) Discussed Village Take Out robbery.
- 4) **(Lewis/Lyons)** Motion to have Terry Strong write a letter to the Climax Township Board to inquire as to their intentions pursuant to the Fire Department joint agreements the two governments have had. Roll call vote: Ayes – Lewis, T.Strong, Lyons, Hopkins; Nays – Smith. Motion carried 4 to 1. Absent: Jones and L. Strong.

Ordinance:

- 1) Reported on the response to the violation letters.
- 2) 210 N. Main – no cleanup of trash has been done and owner has not contacted the building inspector
- 3) Discussed the commercial buildings that are now occupied:
  - Do these businesses have licenses?
  - Are the buildings being used according to code?
    - Building on SW corner of Main and W. Maple Streets.
    - Building south of the Harvester.
    - What is the village’s risk if they are not following code?
  - Does the Fire Department do fire inspections of the area businesses?
    - With a volunteer fire department, who pays the cost of these inspections?
    - Terry will contact Acting Chief, Steve Johnson and the Township Board.

President Time: Two long time area residents passed away: Charlie Allen and Betty Machin.

Old Business: Sheriff alerted to a very loud, unlicensed car, racing through the village.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. (Lyons/T.Strong)  
Scott Torrance – Village Clerk