

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting
September 19, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:30p

Present: Chaney, Cummings, Kelly, Kenney, Ludwig, Miller, Sutherland, Borden, Coburn

Absent: None **Guests:** Sean Perrin

(Sutherland/Kenney) Motion to approve agenda. CARRIED

(Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to approve minutes from September 5, 2023. CARRIED

(Kenney/Ludwig) Motion to approve bill package for a total of \$18,672.04 CARRIED – Roll Call – 7-0

(Kenney/Kelly) Motion to approve treasurer's report \$797,410.51 CARRIED – Roll Call – 7-0

Guests: Perrin/Smith – Stats for August – 16 runs including 5 medical in the village with 151 runs year to date; currently planning a community wide CPR training class – date to be announced

Communications: None

Public Works:

- 1) Started reading meters; Kevin is off for a 1-2 weeks to help local farmer with crops
- 2) TJ & Forrest attending water class on Tuesday, October 3; Forrest is schedule to take 1st water test in November.
- 3) Hauling multiple loads of dirt out of the well field to an individual just outside the village who wanted fill dirt.
- 4) Flushing hydrants next week or two – water will be stirred up as we prepare for winter.
- 5) Need to upgrade the fuel tanks. Discussion. Total cost will be under \$5,000 which includes 2 new above ground tanks (300 gallons each), pumps, required concrete pads. **(Kenney/Sutherland)** Motion to upgrade fuel tanks not to exceed \$5,000. CARRIED – Roll Call – 7-0

Streets/Sidewalks/Census:

- 1) Received the bid for railroad track repair on Main St. Cost is \$432,080. The cost is split between the railroad and the village 40-60. Currently applying for a grant that would cover the villages 60%.
- 2) No word yet on the TED grant for Main St.
- 3) Still working on the Quiet Zone request regarding the train whistles.

Parks/Cemetery/Library:

- 1) Researching monument in the corner of the park – will contact the historical society.
- 2) Would like the picnic table in the middle of the park to be moved. DPW will take care of that.
- 3) DPW will also check out tennis nets.

Water: Brenda will be working on water bills. Carolyn will review and the bills will be sent by October 1.

Administration/Employee Relations: More discussion on switching utilities software. More information next meeting.

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Keeping an eye on social media – egging on 44th St. – just be aware of what is happening around the village.
- 2) KCSO – issued an alert regarding an uptick in pone scams in our area.
- 3) Traffic stats – 22,162 vehicles traveled past the sign in August; Wed. & Thu. most traffic, peak hours 4-5:00 p.m.
- 4) Hazard Mitigation class is this Thursday.

Ordinances/Zoning:

- 1) Ordinance violations: 231 Snapdragon – vehicle w/expired tags; 128 Maple Circle went to court – ruled in favor of the village; 241 Columbine – vehicle, weeds, etc.; 329 W. Maple – referred back to court; 110 S. Main – another judgement for August – owner has pulled some of the required permits
- 2) Speeding vehicle in the village – turned information over to the Sheriff's office and they will follow up.
- 3) Food Trucks – according to Kalamazoo County Health Department – need to have a temporary permit.

Old Business: None

New Business: Some individuals in the area would like to decorate the sign and four corners for fall. They will set it up and care for it as needed. Council approved.

(Sutherland/Miller) Motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.

Linda Coburn, Clerk