

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

June 4, 2013

Present: Pat Clark, Tom Jones, Norm Lyons, Terry Strong, Kyle Smith – President. Absent: Jim Cummings, Bill Twiss and Brenda Borden – Treasurer.

Guests: Bruce Rolfe, Scott Smith, Mike Gibson – DPW.

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

(Lyons/Jones) Motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2013 as presented. Unanimously approved.

Communications: Noted

Guests: Scott Smith, Fire Chief of the Township Fire Department, discussed the emergency siren.

- Cannot get parts for the siren, must be a dealer to do so.
- One year parts and warranty are associated with the batteries and charging system.
- Value of siren? New cell phones now receive emergency alerts. Not all residents have smart phones. In the near future, the new technology should be considered as a replacement.
- Pay for the repairs this time, but doesn't guarantee the village will pay in the future.
- We need to be more clear when we share assets with other entities so there is a clear understanding what our role is, who will maintain the asset.
- Total cost to village to install the system was \$875
- Proposed: West Shore does offer an annual maintenance agreement in the amount of \$425. Under this agreement, batteries would be replaced at no cost in 2016.
 - **(Jones/Strong)** Motion to accept bid from West Shore Service in the amount of \$1180 for the replacement of batteries and the charging system for the emergency siren. Roll call vote: Ayes – Jones, Strong, Clark and Smith; Nays – Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 1.
- Radio system for the emergency siren. Needs to be switched to narrow band capability. The fire department's radio system is narrow banded. They left one portion of their system with wide-band capability to communicate with the siren.

Public Works:

- 1) Water samples and pump reports are done for June.
- 2) **(Lyons/Jones)** Motion to accept the Lyster Construction bid to repair the well houses at a cost of \$1500 (\$1000 Insurance Recovery / \$500 from Building Maintenance Expense). Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 3) Dorian Holcomb has moved out of the area and his last day was June 2nd. The Administration committee will review options and recommend a replacement.
- 4) A resident dumped 10 loads of dirt, roots and possibly septic waste dirt into the compost pile. There were deep ruts caused by the vehicle that hauled the dirt – which lead back to 334 Thistle. Environmental Health Department was contacted and will inspect the area. The department indicated there was no application or permit issued to dig a septic system. There will be cost to repair the ground and removal of the dirt. The Sheriff Department will be contacted to file a report. Draft a letter to resident for removal of material.

- 5) Mark Gay has taken the water certification tests and he awaits the results. A question was proposed – if he passed the exams, will his pay increase be retroactive back to the exam date or upon the date of test result notification. After discussion, it was decided that his pay increase of \$1 per hour will take affect upon test results, for that will be the time he can begin to perform the additional duties in the water system.

Water: No report.

Parks/Cemetery/Library:

- 1) Movie in the park dates are: June 15, July 20 and August 18. Area will be sprayed for insects prior to the events.
- 2) Library siding repair on the south side. Mr. Gibson to pull bids for review.
- 3) The library will close in mid-August to work on computerization of library records.
- 4) Skate boarding around library is becoming a nuisance.

Streets/Census: Noted: The Harvester paid for the cement work between the hall and The Harvester

Administration:

- 1) Drain Commissioner Rules – Do we adopt them?
- 2) Well-head Protection – too late to meet the grant cut off of June 15th.

Public Safety:

- 1) Written approval from Consumers Energy was requested to place cameras on their poles. All is taken care of.
- 2) Street light out at 270 N. Main.

Ordinance:

- 1) Several lots have weeds.

Old Business:

- 1) June 8th is the village-wide yard sale date.

New Business: None.

(Lyons/Jones) The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk