

Village of Climax
Regular Meeting
October 21, 2003

Present: Shawn Messner, Terry Strong , Salli Thompson, Bill Twiss, Tricia Willis, Don Stevenson.
Absent: Bill Rogers.

Also Present: Lawrence Wenke, Larry Leach, Scott Smith, Mike Gibson.

(Twiss/Messner) Motion to approve the minutes of October 7, 2003 without exception.
Unanimously approved.

(Messner/Strong) Motion to approve the October 2003 Bill Package totaling \$18,805.91. Roll Call vote: Unanimously approved.

(Thompson/Willis) Motion to approve the September 30, 2003 Treasurer's Report. Major Streets = \$138,271.37; Local Streets = \$20,379.33; General Fund = \$276,402.49; Water Fund = \$139,503.79; Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; Totals = \$585,963.61. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: State Representative, Lawrence Wenke, visited the Council and fielded various questions and concerns. He stressed that the financial problems the State is facing are great and there is no easy solution.

Fire Chief, Larry Leach reviewed the fire runs for the Township and Village. With 2 weeks remaining in their budget year, the department has made 108 runs. Chief Leach also discussed the upcoming proposal for the Fire Department. If the proposal passes, the .5 mil for 10 years is estimated to generate \$25,000 a year for the Fire Department.

The Fire department plans to have a candy check at the fire station on Halloween.

Communications: An educational seminar for Government officials is scheduled for Wednesday, November 12. (Messner/Strong) Motion to send up to 5 council members to the seminar at a cost of \$30 per person. Roll Call vote: Unanimously approved.

Public Works:

1. The large leaf vacuum is in need of major engine repair with an estimated cost of \$2000.00. It was found that a bolt had vibrated loose and fell into the carburetor and ended up in the cylinder. (Twiss/Messner) Motion to have the leaf vacuum repaired at an estimated cost of \$2000.00. Roll Call vote: Ayes - Shawn Messner, Terry Strong , Salli Thompson, Bill Twiss, Don Stevenson. Nays - Tricia Willis. Motion carried.
2. Water hook up for 145 N. Main set for Monday, October 27.
3. Sidewalk construction is finished
4. Leaf pick up is in full swing. Many residents place mulched leaves on the curbs to be picked up. Once the mulched leaf pile gets wet it becomes hard to vacuum up and damages the leaf vacuum. Residents who mulch leaves should call the village hall and make special arrangements for pickup with Mr. Gibson.
5. Several houses will be hooking up to the water system in the near future.

Public Safety: Mr. Strong will attempt to request a patrol for Halloween.

Ordinance: Ordinance violations were discussed.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Water billings: I apologize for the incorrect due date on the 3rd quarter water billings. The bills were issued on October 1st, yet the due date indicated September 16th. The due date should have been October 16th. It appears the road to perfection still has many bumps in it.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. (Messner/Twiss)
Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk