

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

April 2, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:30p

Swearing in of new council trustee – Alyssa Schwili

Present: Chaney, Kenney, Ludwig, Miller, Alyssa Schwili, Sutherland, Coburn

Absent: Kelly, Borden **Guests:** Larry Bowron, OHM, Roger Smith, Chuck Osborn, Bill Lewis

(Kenney/Sutherland) Motion to approve agenda. CARRIED

(Sutherland/Kenney) Motion to approve minutes from March 19, 2024. CARRIED

(Ludwig/Sutherland) Motion to approve bill package for a total of \$83,803.19 CARRIED – Roll Call – 6-0

Guests: *Larry Bowron, OHM* – presented information on the Quiet Zone railroad project. Discussion/questions followed.

Cost to hire OHM to do an initial analysis is \$4,238.

Roger Smith – presented information regarding requirements for variances. Discussion followed

Chuck Osborn – made comments & stated opposition to the railroad quiet zone

Bill Lewis – Reminded council that the library will be closed April 10-14 for new carpet installation; questioned if the cost of the quiet zone is the best bang for the buck for our citizens.

Communications: None.

Public Works:

- 1) Water samples/pumpage reports are done for the month
- 2) New truck picked up
- 3) Sign on E. Maple is fixed. Would like to redo other village signs.
- 4) Working on N. Main tree. Will have to use a crane to bring it down.
- 5) Sweeping the streets next week
- 6) Working on 10 foundations in the cemetery
- 7) Lyster's fixed gutters on library & hall barn
- 8) Forrest is continuing to study for his water test in May.

Streets/Sidewalks/Census: N. Church Street may need to be paved.

Parks/Cemetery/Library: Presented information and details on cost of WWII memorial. (Sutherland/Kenney) Motion to accept the quote for \$3,815.93 for all items listed for the WWII Memorial. CARRIED – roll call – 6-0; Noted that the Climax Rotary is interested in improving the old Harvester lot. It would be a long term project.

Water: No Report

Administration/Employee Relations: (Kenney/Chaney) Motion to accept Resolution 2024-01 regarding cost of living increase for treasurer & clerk. CARRIED – roll call – 6-0; interviewed Sydney Cope for treasurer's position – tabled until next meeting; informed the council that Kevin Leach resigned from his position.

Public Safety/Fire:

- 1) Homicides have increased over the past 3 years
- 2) Variety of openings for Corrections officers – sheriff's office
- 3) Aug. 19 will be the 2nd annual golf outing honoring Officer Proxmire.

Ordinances/Zoning:

- 1) 329 W. maple – demolition update – owner obtained a demo permit
- 2) Smith – no response in terms of medical evidence regarding special use for driveway
- 3) Ticket issued on Prairie Dr. - parking

Old Business: none

New Business: (Kenney/Sutherland) Motion to allow Run to Climax to use the village streets on May 27, 2024. CARRIED

(Sutherland/Chaney) Motion to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Linda Coburn, Clerk