

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting
September 18, 2012

Present: Mike Adams, Pat Clark, Tom Jones, Norm Lyons, Terry Strong, Bill Twiss, and Brenda Borden – Treasurer.

Absent: Kyle Smith – President.

Guests: Trent Piper, Bruce Rolfe and Mike Gibson.

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

(Lyons/Jones) Motion to approve the minutes of September 4, 2012 as presented. Unanimously approved.

(Lyons/Clark) Motion to approve the September 2012 Bill Package totaling \$10,216.29 (Payment to Kalamazoo County Health and Community Service was removed for further clarification - \$106.30). Roll call vote: Ayes – Adams, Clark, Lyons, Strong and Twiss; Nays – Jones. Motion carried 5 to 1.

(Lyons/Strong) Motion to approve the August 2012 Treasurer’s report – total fund balance is 431,771.52. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: No comments.

Communications:

- 1) Village election update: A correction had to be made on the ballot prior to approval to include positions for “Partial Term” Trustee positions. With the normal terms ending/changes/resignations of Trustees, a total of 5 positions are up for election – three 4-year term positions and two 2-year “partial” to fill the remainder of a 4-year term. There are 4 individuals running for three 4-year terms. It is too late for individuals to have their name appear on the Ballot, however individuals who wish to run as a Write in candidate (for the 2 partial term positions) can still fill out the required forms until October 26th.

Public Works:

- 1) Mowing is coming to an end.
- 2) Water meters have been read. With the dry summer it is expected that water system revenue will be up considerably.
- 3) Preparing the leaf vacuum for leaf pickup.
- 4) Behind the library there has been vandalism. A gate has been dismantled, a globe has been smashed on the park monument, matches have been found and the siding of the library has been burned.
- 5) Looked at bids for replacing Library ballasts – 11 fixtures at a cost of \$630. Waiting for council approval to begin project.

Streets/Census:

- 1) Looking at the proposed sidewalk maintenance.

Parks/Cemetery/Library:

- 1) Question of connecting the sexton shed in the cemetery to electricity.
 - a. Possibility of putting cameras in the area.

- b. Holding on the payment to Kalamazoo County for veterans flags until we find out who orders the flags and how they are being ordered.

Water:

- 1) Hydrants are all painted and look good.
- 2) Well house – could use a power was. Night light broken.
- 3) Peerless Company suggests that well #2 be overhauled. Last done in 2003. Wells #1 and #3 are doing fine.
- 4) Reviewed pump reports – 7.9 million gallons used from June to August.
- 5) Chlorine used is 1 part per million.
- 6) Pumps 1 and 2 pump 150 gallons per minute. Pump #3 pumps 300 gallons per minute.

Administration:

- 1) Job applications. The committee meet and reviewed 30 resumes and selected 8 candidates for short interviews. Half the applicants had CDL's and many had experience in landscaping and carpentry.
- 2) Budgets will be requested shortly.

Public Safety:

- 1) We need cameras to help in vandalism.
- 2) Reviewed the fire / police reports.

Ordinance:

- 1) Called Melbourne Davis to remove brush piles. Building looks to be falling apart – roof / fascia.
- 2) Will have animal ordinances for the next meeting.
- 3) Grass clippings have been removed.
- 4) Clerk to work up a leaf pickup notice and deliver to homes.

Old Business: Trash pickup is set for Saturday, September 22.

New Business:

- 1) Homecoming for C-S Schools is October 5. Have not had a representative from the school visit the Council as of yet.
- 2) **(Lyons/Twiss)** Allow the Climax Crescent to put “Crescent Corner” street sign on the street sign pole on the corner of Main and Cherry Streets. Unanimously approved.

(Lyons/Jones) The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk