

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting

March 17, 2009

Present: Trustees: Bill Lewis, Norm Lyons, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, Salli Thompson, President – Kyle Smith and Treasurer – Deb Wyant.

Absent: Thomas Jones.

Guests: Mike Gibson and Bruce Rolfe.

Agenda: **(L.Strong/Lyons)** Motion to approve the agenda with changes. Unanimously approved.

Minutes: **(Lyons/T.Strong)** Motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of March 3 as presented. Unanimously approved.

(Lewis/L.Strong) Motion to approve the March 2009 Bill Package totaling \$13,486.91. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

(Lewis/L.Strong) Motion to approve the February 2009 Treasurer's Report as presented: Major Streets = \$49,075.94; Local Streets = \$38,588.93; General Fund = \$60,489.48; Water Fund = \$66,800.79, Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; FNB Major Street CD = 21,073.57; FNB Local Street CD = 10,029.84; FNB General Fund CD = 60,227.66; and Water Fund 45,170.75; Totals = \$363,063.59. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: No comments.

Communications: Noted.

Public Works:

- 1) Bids have been received for road projects. Potential Local street projects are Snapdragon and Hancock. Snapdragon was reconstructed in 2001.
- 2) Pavement restoration – Maple Street 2008 road maintenance is not holding up.
- 3) Mr. Gibson has started to seek bids on the water tank cathodic protection.
- 4) Peerless Midwest has performed the annual pump and well inspection. Results should be given shortly.
- 5) The fence in the rear of the cemetery has been repaired and a new door installed in the sexton building.
- 6) John Cook is attending water certification training.
- 7) Mike Gibson, John Cook and Bill Sackrider will be attending the spring AWWA's water training seminar.
- 8) All street lights have been repaired.
- 9) The Kubota tractor hydraulic seals are being repaired and further repairs will be estimated.
- 10) Street sweeping will begin in April.
- 11) Pot hole patching and road shoulder maintenance will begin shortly.
- 12) Leaves are being put out on Church Street. **(Lewis/L.Strong)** Motion to place a notice in the paper that leaves will not be picked up this spring. It is the homeowner's responsibility to remove leaves. Due to new DEQ regulations, the well field is not available for compost drop off. Unanimously approved.
- 13) CN has left asphalt debris near the tracks. They need to be contacted to have this removed.
- 14) John Cook's insurance. The administration committee will make this a priority.

- 15) Flooding of the basement of the home south of the school has been reported and also a home across the street. The engineering firm, Wightman and Associates has been contacted and will look into the problem and contact residents in the area.

Streets:

- 1) Terry will review the road project bids.

Parks/Library:

- 1) The library's EBay class was a success and another class will be held on Wednesday, March 18th.
- 2) The cemetery rates were discussed. Are they too high? Very few lots have been purchased since the increase. Also, look into the property behind the cemetery, is it available for purchase?
- 3) The Council has been contacted regarding a school to work employment program for at risk youth. This summer, Climax Scotts High School is going to participate this year in this program. 5 students will be selected to work for an hourly rate to learn how to become a successful citizen and successful employee. **(Lyons/L.Strong)** Motion to have Mike look into setting up a program for troubled students to do odd jobs in the village. Unanimously approved. Mike will have the organizer visit the Council.

Water:

- 1) Grants are available for the Wellhead protection program.
- 2) Water system controls. How long will the current controls function? If they go down, what are our options? How to fund the new controls?

Fire/Public Safety:

- 1) Proposed 148 hours for additional sheriff patrol @ \$6364.00/year. This will allow \$5636.00 to be diverted toward the new surveillance camera system.
- 2) Salli has received several surveillance camera system bids.

Ordinance:

- 1) The building inspector has served notice to both ordinance violation locations. They have 30 days to abate the problem.

President's Time: Would like to see quarterly committee meetings and minutes file with the clerk.

Old Business:

- 1) President Smith was contacted by the American Legion representative regarding the Founder's Day events and will attend the next Council meeting.
- 2) Yard Sale Date: **(L.Strong/Lyons)** Motion to hold the Community Yard Sale Day on June 27th and authorize the clerk to advertize in area newspapers. Unanimously approved.
- 3) Employee wage increase to be sent to committee for further review. Would like to see compensation on a per person basis and not straight across the board.
- 4) Painting of Historical Society room.

New Business:

- 1) Mr. Gibson would like to see evaluation/reviews to know what the Council wants from the employees.
- 2) Mr. Gibson will attend more Council meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. (Lyons/T.Strong) - Scott Torrance – Clerk