

# *Village of Climax*

Regular Meeting

June 1, 2010

Present: Tom Jones, Bill Lewis, Norm Lyons, Terry Strong, Kyle Smith - President and Deb Wyant - Treasurer.

Absent: Steve Davis, Dave Hopkins.

Guests: John Gisler and John Cook.

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

**(Lyons/Strong)** Motion to approve the minutes of May 18, 2010. Unanimously approved.

Guests: No comments.

## Communications:

- 1) A truck transporting liquid fertilizer (nitrogen) did not have the valve shut completely and leaked nitrogen along East Maple. The fire department was called and sprayed water to dilute the nitrogen.
- 2) The 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist church notified the village that youth will be proselyting in the area during the months of June, July and August.

## Public Works:

- 1) Pump reports and samples are done for June.
- 2) Corr Pro and Liquid Engineers will begin the water tower cathodic protection project on June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 3) Leaves have been hauled from the well field.
- 4) Back of library needs painting:
  - **(Lyons/Strong)** Motion to authorize the DPW to paint the back of the library. Unanimously approved.
- 5) John Cook took the water test – results are not back yet.

## Water:

- 1) Will hold on cashing in the Certificate of Deposits for the Water Fund. Tax revenue will come in during July, August and September and the current Water Fund balance should be sufficient to pay the current bills. The committee will continue to review the Water Fund balance.

## Administration:

- 1) The Administration committee reviewed the personnel manuals. There are three different versions of the manual at the hall. Mr. Jones is working to condense the various versions, get employee and council input and approve the revised copy.
- 2) **(Jones/Lyons)** Motion to pay the employees longevity benefit based on the “Yearly W-2 Total” and continue to pay the benefit amount in April of the following year. To pay Mike Gibson the remainder of his longevity benefit up to his 2009 W-2 total (\$427.44). Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.
- 3) **(Jones/Lewis)** Motion to pay a 2-year renewal with GoDaddy.com, the village website host, for \$76.61. The amount will be paid by Tom Jones and then Mr. Jones will be reimbursed when the receipt is presented to the Clerk. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

- 4) There is discussion by Michigan governments to post public notices on the Web rather than in newspapers.

Fire / Public Safety:

- 1) No reports from the Sheriff Department yet.
- 2) Mr. Strong reported on the joint township/village meeting that took place on May 20<sup>th</sup>:
  - Four of the seven council members and the entire township board attended the meeting.
  - Object of the meeting was to get a consensus as to if there was a fire department funding problem.
  - Both boards agreed to wait for 6 months to revisit the issue.
  - All board/council members attending, with one exception, agreed a millage is needed to support the fire department.
- 3) The village was contacted by the insurance carrier (Par Plan) regarding insurance risks in relation to parades. Insurance certificates need to be collected from those requesting to use the village streets and tossing of candy should strongly be discouraged due to the potential of a child being run over while running for candy.'

Ordinances:

- 1) Still trying to get the DEQ to look at the junk yard on S. Main.
- 2) Semi rigs parking on streets – looking into ordinances.
- 3) Sending two letters to property owners on each side of the fire department regarding weeds.
- 4) Reviewed properties for long grass.

Old Business:

- 1) Need to ensure those organizations who wish to use the village streets for activities contact the Counsel and seek permission.

New Business: None

(Lyons/Strong) The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.  
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk