

# Village of Climax

Regular Meeting  
January 2, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Chaney, Cummings, Kenney, Ludwig, Miller, Sutherland, Coburn, Borden

Absent: Kelly Guest: Wendall Stoeffler, Bill Lewis, Jamie Camp, Roger Smith

(Sutherland/Chaney) Motion to approve agenda as is. CARRIED

(Kenney/Sutherland) Motion to approve minutes from December 19, 2023. CARRIED

(Sutherland/Kenney) Motion to approve the bill package for a total of \$1648.67 CARRIED – Roll Call 6-0

Guests: *Bill Lewis* – introduced Wendall Stoeffler as a possible candidate for the open board position within the village. He has the needed skill set to cover the tax/treasurer position. Also gave an update on the library including an increased patronage and an overall growth of programs/materials, etc.

*Wendall Stoeffler* – gave his background and qualifications for the position expressing an interest to give back to the community by using his expertise in finance.

*Jamie Camp* - Agreed with Bill that Wendall would be a good fit for the current needs of the district library

*Roger Smith* – concerned about a neighbor who is not following zoning rules.

Communications: None

## Public Works:

- 1) TJ listed a number of improvements/highlights within the village in 2023 including resurfacing basketball/tennis/pickle ball courts, speed signs, new employee, etc. Very positive year.
- 2) Working on equipment repair/maintenance since there has been a lack of snow.
- 3) Still working on updating cemetery records
- 4) Painting/cleaning wells
- 5) Repainting street signs
- 6) Working with Janet regarding memorial in park.
- 7) Budget items: recommends holding back on roads in 2024-25; will be working on a long term plan for all funds similar to the water projections, a new generator for the wells is not practical use of tax money, would like to concentrate on updating equipment that is aging out starting with the village work truck.

Streets/Sidewalks: No report

Parks/Library/Cemetery: Will meet with committee regarding the memorial in the park.

Water: Running numbers/looking at variables regarding water fees

Administration: Reviewed budget draft briefly. Interested in giving annual cost of living increases to all employees including clerk and treasurer.

## Public Safety:

- 1) Dep. Murphy indicated that trespassing on Thistle from school to town was addressed at the school. Will continue to follow up in the future.
- 2) KCSO indicated an increase in mail theft in the area.
- 3) State police & local sheriff had a 'SWATting incident in Fulton

## Ordinances:

- 1) Couple problems with properties – owner seems to be responding. A second letter has been sent.
- 2) Waiting on Rob to issue 2 tickets
- 3) Thistle – appears that homeowner has acquired permits

- 4) Still working on updating several ordinances
- 5) Did receive the order for W. Maple property regarding demolition.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn: (Sutherland/Kenney) 8:15 p.m. CARRIED  
Linda Coburn, Clerk