

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 2, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

Clerk administered Oath of Office to newly elected trustees:  
David Hodges, Nathan Strong and Janet Torrance.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the March 19th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report was approved by motion from Glazer and seconded by Hodges. Roll call vote: Yea, all present.

Smith announced the changes in the Standing Committees:

Finance/Insurance/Administration: Mike Glazer

Public Safety/Fire/Law Enforcement: Mike Elwell

Streets/Sidewalks/Zoning: Dave Hodges

Cemetery/Parks/Library: Lowell Snyder

Water/Maintenance: Nathan Strong

Ordinances/Census/Planning: Janet Torrance

President Pro-Tem: Mike Glazer

Council Member over Works Manager: David Hodges

Communications were read.

Public Safety: Elwell made a motion to renew the Sheriff's Contract. Glazer seconded the motion. Yea, all present. Motion approved.

Streets: Another sidewalk bid was received. More discussion was given on exactly what is needed to get the project going. Hodges will work on it.

Cemetery/Parks: Snyder was directed to look into fixing up the park and the cost to re-surface the tennis/basketball courts.

Ordinance: Torrance was directed to get quotes on a Spring Trash Pick-up. A date will be scheduled in May (before Memorial Week-end). Ordinance books need to be updated. An original will be printed and 15 copies will be made to replace the existing copies. This will ensure that all Ordinance Books are accurate.

Torrance was also directed to work on developing a "Climax" sign for the corner of "MN" and 44th street.

There will be a meeting on recycling at Pavilion Township Hall on April 19th.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 7, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Wyant, Wes Graham, Gary Schoen.

Minutes of the April 16th meeting were approved.

Deviated to hear from Wes Graham as he presented his plat development plans to the Council.

Treasurer's Report for the month of April 1991 was approved by a motion from Glazer and seconded by Elwell. Roll call vote: Yea, all present.

Communications were read.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to allow the Diabetes Association to sell carnations and the Women's Auxiliary to sell Poppies in the Village. All members approved. Motion approved.

A fund raising dinner for the completion of the Sidewalk/bike path project was discussed. The dinner will be held on Sat, May 18 at the Climax Methodist Church from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. All proceeds will be donated to the project. Special thanks to Mark Sinclair, Sinclair's Market for suppling the food.

There is still debate on what type of material to use for the surface of the bike path. Bids have been submitted for concrete and Asphalt with Asphalt being the least expensive (6000 to 8000 dollars). However, the question remains if Asphalt be strong enough or will it crumble within a couple years. Bids for the pouring of concrete range from 10,000 to 14,000 dollars. The Asphalt and Concrete material costs do not cover the cost of the foundation. Council members are now checking with Portage and Battle Creek engineers to inquire about their existing bike paths.

President Smith has worked hard and long on the "Climax" sign project. He announced that the Village has received donations from the Community Association to help in the construction of a 4' x 8' sign. The sign will be located on the corner of 44th and MN Ave and it will have the "Village of Climax" on it with other names of Charitable organizations listed below. It will be of durable construction to prevent easy theft.

Streets: Hodges held his committee meeting and submitted his report. He reported on sections of sidewalk that needs repair. Highly suggested that Snapdragon Street be re-paved. Suggested that Main street should have the cracks sealed with a hard rubber sealant. The sealant would prevent water from getting under the

pavement and causing pot holes and early disintegration of the street.

Hodges made a motion to contract Armor Joint Sealants to re-surface Snapdragon street to Thistle street at a cost of 10,435.00. This is to include repairing of existing holes and preparation of the surface, apply a bonding agent over entire surface area, re-surfacing with a bituminous material with a thickness of 1-1/2 to 2", total square are will be 34,800 feet. Strong supported. Roll call vote. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Hodges made a motion to contract Armor Joint Sealants to seal the cracks in Main Street (whole length) at a cost of 2260.32. This will include: routing and blowing clean all specified cracks, excluding alligated areas, sealant will be melted and heated to standard and traffic control implemented. Total linear feet will be 3,324 feet. Strong supported. Roll call vote. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Cemetery: Snyder made a motion to allow the Library Association to plant shrubs next to the Cemetery sign. Glazer supported. Approved by all members.

Snyder was instructed by Smith to obtain bids on re-surfacing the tennis courts and taking out the curb which surrounds them.

Strong made a motion to add GPACC (Interlocal Recycling Program) to our current insurance coverage for the term of the GPACC contract. Glazer supported. Approved by unanimous vote.

GPACC is the Recycling Organization consisting of Galesburg, Pavilion Township, Augusta, Village and Township of Climax and Charleston Township. There will be an uninterrupted recycling program for these entities because of this newly created Organization.

Strong made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Mobile Drop-Off Recycling Program. Elwell supported the motion. All member voted in favor of the agreement.

Torrance had a committee meeting and went around the Village with her committee in search of Ordinance Violations. Violations were noted and letters will be sent out.

Torrance made a motion to send letters to all property owners in violation of Village Ordinances and if no compliance, the owner will be turned over to Associated Government Services. Hodges supported the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business: Ribbons will be used to designate no parking along Main street. The area will extend 100 yards (north and south) on Main street. Cars should not park in these areas to reduce risk of children running out into moving traffic from behind parked cars.

Meeting was adjourned at <sup>9:45</sup>~~8:50~~

*Sue A. Torrance*

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 21, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Pro-Tem Mike Glazer.

PRESENT: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong.

ABSENT: J. Torrance, Smith

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Wyant, Pat Neil, Rose, Michelle and Nicky Vandebos, Curt Norton, Ben Holtz.

Minutes of the May 7th meeting were approved with the following exception: The Ladies Study Club of the Library Association was given permission to plant flowers next to the Cemetery sign rather than the Library Association.

Residents in the South Church street area expressed a desire to have the sidewalk extended around the curve to the corner of Hancock and South Main streets. As stated in the Village Ordinances: Property owners desiring construction of sidewalks adjoining their premises need to file a petition. The petition must be signed by not less than 75% of the owners affected. Upon approval of the petition and completion of all public hearings, the property owners affected would be assessed for the cost of construction. However, the Village could pay for part of the construction costs upon a two thirds vote of all the Trustees. This was explained to the residents and also that money to help with construction cost is not available in this year's budget. If there is support in that area to continue with a sidewalk, the Council should be approached prior to the 1992-93 budget year.

Curt Norton, the new Climax Township Supervisor as of June 1st, 1991, introduced himself to the Council.

Bill Package: Motion by Elwell, Supported by Strong to approved the May 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 56,471.79. Roll call vote. All members present voted in favor. Motion approved.

Communications were read.

Streets: Discussion on the bike path continued. Hodges will get more bids on the project, based on the same specifications. The specifications are as follows: 1) All work to be done by contractor, 2) To begin on the West side of the Railroad Tracks and end at the Trailer Park, 3) Separate path (not to be connected to the road), 4) Asphalt, 5) 6" Gravel Base, 6) 2" compacted asphalt, 7) Width of bike path to be 8 feet.

A letter, dated May 6, 1991, was received regarding the Village's Act 51 funds (Distribution of money received by the Department of Transportation among counties and cities). The distribution of our funds have been recalculated based on the 1990 Census figures with the following adjustments to be made: Major Streets: +1466.38, Local Streets: + 458.44.

Snapdragon street is scheduled to be re-paved between June 10 to June 22.

Recycling: Motion by Strong to join with other governmental units in Kalamazoo County in promoting the economic and environmental benefits of waste reduction and in recognizing the week of June 10 - 15, 1991 as "Recycle Week." Hodges supported the motion. Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Finance: Motion by Elwell to establish the 1991 Tax Distribution of 2 Mills to Water System and 9 Mills to the Village's General Operations. Total Mills collected are 11 Mills. Strong supported the motion. Roll call vote. Yea, by all members present. The Millage of 11 Mills for 1991 is the same as 1990. No increases.

Old Business:

Motion by Elwell to accept the preliminary plans - Titled "Maple Terrace No. 2", with a revised dating of April 30, 1991 as presented to the Council by Wes Graham. The motion was supported by David Hodges. The Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

It was noted that the Trash pick-up was very successful as great amounts of trash was picked up.

New Business:

All sidewalks within the limits of the Village shall be maintained and kept in repair by the Village, unless there was deliberate destruction. In such cases, the total costs of repair shall be assessed against the owner or owners as a special assessment on the Village taxes.

ORDINANCE 1.023

It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant to keep sidewalk adjacent to and abutting upon the premises occupied or owned by the resident free from obstructions, encroachments, encumbrances, filth and other nuisances. These obstructions including: Limbs hanging over the sidewalks, bushes, trees, childrens toys, etc... Also, When mowing your lawn, please sweep up the grass from the sidewalk. Thank you - Village Council.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 4, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Wyant, Ben Holtz.

Minutes of the May 21st meeting were approved with the following exception: The Ladies Study Club of the Library Association was given permission to plant Bushes next to the Cemetery sign.

Treasurer's Report: Glazer made a motion to approve the May 1991 Treasurer's Report. Elwell seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Yea, all present.

Communications were read.

The new date for the Recycle Center located at the Climax Township Hall will be EVERY 4TH SATURDAY of each month. The Center will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is effective immediately.

Finance: Wage increase for Village employees was brought up and will be studied by the Finance Committee.

Public Safety: Roping off the section of Main street during the Founder's Day Parade was successful.

Streets: Hodges received two bids on the Bike Path and will wait for one more bid. The specifications are as follows: 1) All work to be done by contractor, 2) To begin on the West side of the Railroad Tracks and end at the Trailer Park, 3) Separate path (not to be connected to the road), 4) Asphalt, 5) 6" Gravel Base, 6) 2" compacted asphalt, 7) Width of bike path to be 8 feet, 8) Reinforce area where tractors would drive over.

So far, the bids are well above what the Village can afford at the present time. The Community association collected \$1468.00 at the dinner and Special thanks to Mark Sinclair and those who helped in its organization. However, with the money in the 1991-92 budget and the extra funds provided by the Community Association, we are still short about \$4500.00. There was favorable discussion to continue with the project but only extend the pike path from the Railroad tracks to Sinclair's Market's driveway at the present time.

Grand Trunk will install a crossing over the tracks at no charge.

Ordinance: J. Torrance noted that ordinance violation letters were sent out to all residents in violation. The Council will act on any violation not cleaned up within 10 days.

Old Business:

1. Access Cable Channel taking shape.
2. Climax sign: Final details for the sign to be located on the S.W. corner of MN and 44th are being ironed out. It will be 4x8 feet in dimension, 6 inch diameter poles w/cement in the middle. Iron rod will placed in the sign for reinforcement.

Motion by Strong, supported by Hodges to allocate 110.00 in obtaining various permits required for the placement of the sign.  
Roll call vote: Yea, all present.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 18, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance, Smith.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Adams, Jerry Cuyler, Ben Holtz, Bill Lewis, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the June 4th meeting were approved with no exceptions.

Deviated to hear from guests: Mike Adams informed the Council that he is in the process of clearing up his yard. This is in response to an Ordinance Violation letter he received in June. The Council appreciated him appearing and will not pursue the matter further.

Jerry Cuyler visited the Council meeting in behalf of the Community Association to follow the progress of the Bike path.

Bill Lewis, representing CTS, requested permission to continue with the Telephone Line update and Modernization. CTS has been in the process of burying telephone and cable lines throughout the Village. Current area of operation will be North Church, Sheldon and E. Maple streets.

Motion by Glazer to give CTS permission to continue with the telephone and cable line modernization within the Village. Seconded by Elwell. All members voted in favor. Motion passed.

Bill Package: Glazer made a motion to approve the June's Bill Package with the following addition: Ford & Kriekard, \$50.00 to the General Fund. The June Bill Package totalled 11726.10. Supported by Hodges. Roll call vote. All Ayes - all members present.

Communications were read.

Climax Sign: Permission was received by all land owners surrounding the location of the Sign (44th and MN). All that is needed is the Zoning ok from Charleston Township.

Bike path: It was proposed by Hodges that Armor Joint Sealants be selected to construct the bike path with the Following specifications and upon approval from Climax Township to construct/extend a Linear Bike path in the Township: 1) Cost of \$9398.00. 2) All work to be done by Contractor. 3) Construction to begin on West side of Railroad Tracks and end at Sinclair's Market. 4) 8 feet in width, 1750 feet in length, total 14,000 square footage. 5) An 8 foot grass median to separate path from road. 6) 6 inch gravel base. 7) 1-1/2 to 2 inch Asphalt top. 8) Total construction to fall within the 33 foot Village right-of-way.

The motion was supported by Elwell. Roll call vote. All Ayes - all members present. Motion passed. Construction will start if the Climax Township gives written permission.

Because of lack of funds, the Bike path will only extend to Sinclair's Market. In the future it is the hopes of the Community Association to extend the path to the Trailer park. This section of the Bike path will be a joint effort by the Community Association, Rotary Club and The Village of Climax.

Hodges proposed the following changes regarding the re-paving of Snapdragon Street: Snapdragon will be re-surfaced. However instead of re-surfacing Thistle, 453 feet of Cherry Street (East of Church street around the curve) will be re-surfaced. Also 35 feet of Sunflower street (from Snapdragon), wedging north and south curve radius and wedge in low area on the corner of Snapdragon and Maple. Total cost is 12932.00. J. Torrance supported the motion. Roll call vote. All Ayes - all members present.

Finance: Truth in Taxation hearing will need to be held. Date will be July 16, 1991 at 8:30 p.m. at the Lawrence Memorial Library.

FICA is now required to be withheld from all Government Officials and matched by the Village.

Public Safety: There was a disturbance at the park in which attempted damage of the Monument occurred. The Village will go ahead and press charges against those responsible.

Water: Two of the pump houses took a surge of power during the Electrical storm last week. Damage was caused and repairs are in progress.

Ordinances: J. Torrance proposed that those residents who did not respond or clean up the indicated Ordinance Violations be forwarded to Associated Government Services for further action. Supported by Hodges. All members in favor. Motion passed.

J. Torrance proposed to authorize Gove Associated (Village Engineer) to assist and review the Plans and progress of The Maple Circle Plat development as outlined in Village Ordinances. Glazer supported the motion. All members in favor. Motion passed

New Business: Motion by Snyder to construct a Dusk to Dawn Mercury Vapor Light behind the Village Hall. Glazer supported. All members in favor with the exception of Smith. Smith Abstained. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 Elwell/Strong.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**July 2, 1991**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

**PRESENT:** Elwell, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance, Smith.

**ABSENT:** Glazer

**ALSO PRESENT:** Gil Collver, Ben Holtz, Curtis Norton, Moby Pratt, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the June 18th meeting were approved with no exceptions.

Deviated to hear from guests: Moby Pratt represented the Summer Recreation Program. She requested money to help fund the Program for the summer.

Elwell made a motion to donate 400.00 to the Summer Recreation Program to help fund it for 1991. Hodges supported. Roll call vote. All Ayes - from all members present. Motion was passed.

Gil Collver attended in regard to the fact that the Water Main does not extend to Lot 34 in the Sunnymead Plat as it was originally planned. Currently it extends to the first quarter of Lot 33. The problem was discussed and placed with the Water Committee.

Curtis Norton, representing Climax Township, attended to find where the Village stands on the Bike path. The topic was discussed and he will report back to the Township.

**Treasurer's Report:** The June 1991 Treasurer's Report was reviewed and accepted by a motion from Elwell and supported by Snyder. Roll call vote. All Ayes from members present.

Communications were read.

**Water:** Notice to residents - When the weather is very hot, the quality of the will be lower. The system is flushed throughout the year to help flush out mineral deposits. The water is also sampled every month and forwarded to a State laboratory.

**Finance:** Truth in Taxation hearing will be held. The date will be Tuesday, July 16, 1991 at 8:30 p.m. at the Lawrence Memorial Library.

**Ordinances:** All residents who did not respond to the Ordinance violation letters were forwarded to Associated Government Services to be further pursued.

**Dogs running at large in the Village** was discussed. The actual ordinance will be reviewed by the Ordinance committee. Residents are asked to notify the Sheriff's Department if they see a dog running loose.

**New Business:**

Fire protection contract to be reviewed.

A Mandatory Trash removal requirement was discussed. There is only discussion of the topic at this time. Some advantages to the village would be: All residents would have garbage pickup, Trash would be picked up along with the garbage (ie., appliances, junk, etc.), it would eliminate the expense of Village Trash pick-ups throughout the year, cost to the resident may be the same as the current resident charge.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 Hodges/ Elwell.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 16, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance, Smith.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Pat Flannagan, West Graham, Ben Holtz, Dan Romes, Lorraine Wawzysko.

Minutes of the July 2nd meeting were approved with no exceptions.

Deviated to hear from guests: Wes Graham presented to the Council the Final Preliminary Plan for the Maple Terrace Plat No.2. The plan will be looked over by the Council and the Village Engineer and a decision will be made at the next Council meeting.

Lorraine Wawzysko brought up concerns about dogs running loose. The problem will be brought up under the Ordinance Committee and a evaluation of the current Ordinance will be made at that time. Residents are encouraged to contact the Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department if there is a dog running at large in their area.

Dan Romes of Gove Associates presented costs to extend a 8 inch water main from Lot 33 to end of lot 34 in the Sunnymead Plat.

The Council discussed the extention of the water main in order to give service to Lot 34.

Motion by Strong, seconded by J. Torrance to close the Regular Meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:27

Truth in Taxatin Hearing  
July 16, 1991

Meeting call to order by President Smith at 8:35.

Present: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance, Smith.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Billie King, Ben Holtz

This meeting was called for the purpose of hearing Citizen comments regarding the increase in operating revenue.

Resolution 91-1 was read and discussed.

Motion by Strong, supported by Glazer to approve and record Resolution 91-1. Roll call vote. Ayes: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance, Smith. Nays: None. Resolution 91-1 was approved with all members voting in favor.

Motion by Glazer and support by Snyder to adjourn the Truth in Taxation Hearing. All in favor. Adjourned at 8:50

Regular Meeting called to order by President Smith

Present: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance, Smith.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Billie King, Ben Holtz

Bill Package: Motion by Glazer, Supported by Snyder to approve the July 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 6996.79. This total amount includes the addition of a bill by Wilkins & Wheaton for 172.59. Roll call vote: Ayes: all presents. Nays: none

Communications were read.

All permits have been acquired for construction the "Village of Climax" sign to be located on the corner of "MN" Ave and 44th street. Construction should begin soon.

Finance: Glazer reported on his 2nd Qtr. Committee meeting.

Streets: Grand Trunk will be notified regarding the railroad crossings.

On August 10th there will be a fund raising dinner to help cover the costs for the Sidewalk project. The Community Association will sponsor this dinner.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 Glazer / Elwell.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING

~~April 2, 1991~~

Aug 6, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

**PRESENT:** Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance.

**ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Gil Collver, Gerald Longman, Kevin & Cheryl Major, Bill Lewis, Clair Parlin, Erin Parlin, Nick Hudson, Pat Flanagan, Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the July 16th meeting were approved.

Deviated to hear from guests: Pat Flanagan from Ingersoll, Watson and McMachen, Inc. represented Wes Graham in behalf of the Maple Terrace No. 2 development. He directed his comments in regard to the recommendations from the Village Engineer (Gove Assoc.). The Village Engineer noted insufficient number of water valves in the proposed water system and that the street width be extended from 20 feet to 24 feet. Pat brought revised plans noting the addition of water valves. He asked that the street width remain at 20 feet due to the fact that all other local street widths are currently 20 feet and the Maple Terrace extension would then be consistent with the existing streets. Ingersoll, Watson and McMachen will take care of applying for water permits.

Motion by Elwell and supported by Glazer to approve the revised Maple Terrace No.2 Preliminary plans as presented to the Village Council. Motion was approved unanimous vote.

Kevin and Cheryl Major visited the meeting in objection to the removal of a tree in their front yard. It had been previously agreed (verbally) that the Village would contract a company at a low rate to take down the tree. However, there was a long delay before the contracted company came out and cut it down. In the meantime, the Majors contracted another company to do some limb work which was paid for by the Majors. After some discussion it was felt that lack of communication was the problem.

Motion by Glazer, seconded by Hodges to have the Village pay for the entire cost of the tree's removal. Ayes: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Strong, Torrance. Nays: Snyder. Abstains: Smith. Motion was passed by majority vote.

Gerald Longman represented the Methodist Church in regard to a diseased tree being cut down. The church had not been notified prior to the removal and he suggested that property owners should be notified prior to the removal of trees.

Clair Parlin visited the meeting in regard to the absence of the water main in front of Lot 34 in the Sunnymead plat. He asked for assistance in helping to extend the main to the end of lot 34.

Motion by Glazer, seconded by Elwell to wave the 1000.00 indirect connection fee if owners/contractors would construct and extend the water main from the current location to the west end of lot 34. Roll call vote: Ayes from all members present. Motion was passed.

Discussion regarding the cutting of trees within the 33 foot Village easement resulted in a policy to notify property owners regarding the removal of trees. Prior to the removal of the tree or any work done to the sidewalk the following will be needed:  
1) Notification to the property owner. 2) The property owner's signature. 3) Money collected (if applicable).

The August 1991 Treasurer's Report was approved by motion from Elwell and seconded by Strong. Roll call vote: Ayes, all present.

Communications were read.

Finance: Glazer made a motion to appropriate 7000.00 from General Fund to the Local Street Fund to cover road construction costs. Hodges seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes, all present. Motion was passed.

Streets: Hodges reported on his 2nd quarter committee meeting.

Ordinance: Janet Torrance reported on her 2nd quarter committee meeting. She also reported on information obtained regarding a mandatory trash pick-up.

New Business: Motion by Snyder to purchase a tape backup drive and 2 tapes. Dollar limit not to exceed 150.00. Glazer seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes, all present. Motion was passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30. Snyder/Glazer

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 20, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong,  
J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the August 6th meeting were approved with the following change: The date of the minutes should have been August 6, 1991 and not April 2, 1991.

Communications were read.

The Village will purchase four signs reading: Climax is a recycling community. Motion by Strong, supported by Hodges to purchase 4 signs at the approximate total cost of 32.00. Roll call vote. Ayes by all members present. Motion passed.

The lightening that damaged one of the pump houses has been more sever and has cost more to repair. The clerk was directed to contact the insurance company.

Bill Package: The August 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 24,857.85 was approved by a motion from Glazer and supported by Strong with the following corrections: An invoice to Kalamazoo County Road Commission of 138.36 to be divided between MS (96.85) & LS (41.51) and an invoice to Armor Joint Sealants was paid in the amount of 12,932.00 in August.

Finance: Glazer discussed topics to be covered in his next committee meeting.

Cemetery: Snyder was directed to get bids on improving the tennis courts and to look into selecting limbs to be trimmed in the Cemetery.

Ordinance: Janet Torrance discussed the information she received regarding a disposal program.

There have been several complaints of cats running at large. J. Torrance will look into the problem.

Old business: It was decided against Gove Assoc. to draw up an up-to-date map of the existing water system. The cost would have been around 280.00. We will wait until the new construction in the village is completed before updating the map.

No payments have been received regarding the accident involving Christopher Fuhrman. He had damaged 500.00 worth of Village property when his car struck a hydrant and pole. Garnishment proceedings of his wages has been started to recover the loss.

**New Business:** An idea was discussed to have the Village sponsor a "Yard Sale Day" in 1992. A day would be selected and all residents would be invited to participate.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50. Elwell/J. Torrance

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 3, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong,  
J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Clair Parlin, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the August 20th meeting were approved with no exceptions.

Clair Parlin submitted Specification for the Thistle Avenue water main extension for Council approval. Motion by Glazer and seconded by Elwell to submit the proposed extension to the Village Engineer (Gove Associates) for review. All members supported the motion. Motion passed.

Motion by Glazer, seconded by J. Torrance to approve the Treasurer's report dated August 31, 1991. Roll call vote. Ayes, all present.

Communications were read.

With Allan Hayward stepping down as Township Supervisor in June, the township is without a Building Official & Assessor. The Township Board has hired and has turned the entire building inspection program over to Associated Governments Services. The Village of Climax has been invited to participate with the Township and share the expenses incurred in administering the program. Village's share is 1/3 of total cost.

Motion by Glazer, seconded by Elwell to join with Climax Township in turning the entire Building Inspection program over to AGS and to cover 1/3 (268.80 per year) of the expenses of the administration of the program. This is providing that the Village of Climax would receive 1/3 of any revenues returned to the Township. All members in favor of motion. Motion passed.

Streets: There is a possibility of a Landfill being proposed in the Fulton area. With this, there is a concern that Disposal trucks would drive through the Village in route to the landfill. This would not be acceptable and means to restrict their passage should be sought immediately.

Cemetery\Parks: A bid was received on the future renovation of the tennis courts. A suggestion was brought up to raise the surface level of the courts to provide for water run-off. Snyder was instructed to get more bids.

Water/Recycling: Strong attended a G.P.A.C.C. (Recycling Program) meeting and reported to the Council. The program has

been working very well. The Village Council encourages all residents to participate in the recycling program each month.

Old business: The Village received several desks which were stored in the Village Hall. A few of the desks were sold by a council member (Snyder) without prior approval from the Village Council. A formal complaint was lodged by Glazer against Snyder for disposing of Village property without consent from the Council. Glazer then asked that Snyder resign from his position as Village Trustee. Snyder refused.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15. Elwell/Hodges

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 17, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong,  
J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Greg Murphy, Bill Lewis, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the September 3rd meeting were approved with the following correction: A few of the desks were given away by Council member - Snyder. Later, in an effort to resolve the matter, President Smith sold the desks to those individuals who had acquired them.

Bill Lewis, representing CTS, requested authorization to add a third satellite dish in the well field. There will be some excavation involved to put in the new dish and some renovation of the other two dishes. Recent changes in the cable and satellite industry has made it necessary to make the additions.

Motion by Glazer and seconded by Elwell to grant CTS's request to add the third Satellite Dish in the well field. All members were in favor of the motion.

Greg Murphy attended to voice his concern that if the landfill is approved in Wakeshma Township, the trucks carrying the refuse may be routed through Climax. The weight and increased traffic would be disastrous to the Village roads.

President Smith assigned the problem to the Ordinance committee for further discussion. Ways will be researched to prohibit Landfill trucks from travelling on the roads.

Elwell made a motion to approve the September 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 8584.00 with the following adjustment: Move a truck repair bill in the amount of 180.78 from General Fund to Water Operation. Hodges supported the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes from all members present. Bill package was approved.

Communications were read.

Finance: Glazer reported on his committee meeting. 1) Insurance coverage was reviewed and all seems in proper order. 2) Computer software geared especially for municipalities is being investigated, 3) Future renovation of the Village Hall to accommodate offices for the Treasurer and Clerk, 4) The March election is drawing near and procedures for running for office will appear in the paper shortly, 5) The 1991-92 Budget was reviewed.

Motion by Glazer and supported by Strong to balance the current budget by taking 4,000.00 from the amount budgeted to Major Street "Construction" and applying the funds to Major Street

"Appropriation to Other Funds". Of the 4,000.00, 2,932.00 will be appropriated to Local Street "Construction" and 1,068.00 will be appropriated to Local Street "Salaries and Wages. Roll call vote: Ayes by all members present.

Public Safety: Elwell is not happy with the cleanup of the dirt on the sides of the bike path. The construction company has been notified and they will be removing the dirt.

There are several low areas on the path that collect water. It was suggested that the company be notified and payment withheld until the areas are fixed.

Discussion of creating a sign stating, "No motorized vehicles allowed on the bike path." Ben Holtz will contact a company. Along with the placement of a sign, an Ordinance will need to be created. This was placed into the hands of the Ordinance Committee. It was also suggested that the Village work in conjunction with the Township to adopt an Ordinance prohibiting motorized vehicles on the bike path.

Other items relating to the bikepath: A pedestrian cross walk sign is needed and appropriate lines on the road to indicate the cross-walk. The Village will mow the grass median up to Sinclair Market's driveway. The Village will also remove snow from the path up to Sinclair Market's driveway. Garbage cans will be needed along the path.

Cemetery/Parks: Another bid was received on the future renovation of the tennis courts.

There have been complaints regarding theft of decorative items placed on grave sites.

Water/Recycling: Strong reported on his committee meeting. A change will be made to the "Application for Connection to the Water System" form. The first installment of the any hookup to the water system will be due upon application to the water system. (This does not apply to homes that have already been assessed)

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10. Glazer/Elwell

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 1, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong,  
J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Clair Parlin, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the September 17th meeting were approved with the following correction: Bill Lewis requested authorization to add a 4th satellite dish and not a third dish as was stated in the previous minutes.

Clair Parlin discussed the current developments with the Sunnymead Plat No. 3. He then submitted preliminary plat plans for tentative approval. The clerk will then submit these plans to the Village Engineer (Gove Assoc.)

Motion by Elwell, supported by Strong to approve the submitted plat plans for Sunnymead No 3. contingent on the approval of the Village Engineer. If the plat is approved by the Village Engineer without exception, the Clerk is instructed to notify the developers, in writing, to go ahead with the project. Roll call vote - All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Strong to accept the September 30, 1991 Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote - All ayes. Motion carried.

Communications were read.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Hodges to approve the homecoming parade set for Friday, October 11, 1991. All members in favor. Motion carried. Elwell was directed to notify the Sheriff's Dept for assistance.

Streets: The Council would like to see new trees planted in place of trees that have been cut down. Residents will be notified and written permission will be obtained to plant any new trees.

The tree located in front of a resident's home on North Lovell was looked at and noted that it does not need to be cut down.

Clean up of the Bike Path is coming along.

Hodges was directed to look into lighting along the Bike Path.

Hodges was also directed to look into re-surfacing of Maple Circle street for the 1992-93 Budget Year.

Snyder was directed to contact Grand Trunk to find out the estimated completion time on the construction of the railroad

crossings. Ideas were discussed to have the Village make the crossings smoother, but anything done to the crossings could present a liability to the Village.

The Village was notified by the State regarding railroad maintenance violations. These violations need to be acted upon and then reported back to the state. Hodges and Holtz are looking into correcting the violations.

Cemetery/parks: Snyder was directed to look into obtaining a Bike rack to place in the park.

Ordinance: The Village "Trash Drop-Off" project has been set for November 2nd thru 5th. Any village resident who has trash or appliances may use the dumpster located in the northeast corner of Maple Street and Main Street.

New Business: A permanent Christmas Tree in the park will be available in the end of October. The tree will be approximately 7 feet tall.

A "Sing Along" will be held on the first Saturday of December.

The Water System in Maple Terrace was discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15. Hodges/Glazer

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 15, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong.

ABSENT: Janet Torrance

ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Clair Parlin, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the October 1st meeting were approved.

Clair Parlin presented revised plans for the Sunnymead Plat No.3 development for Final Preliminary Approval. He adjusted the plans to show an additional fire hydrant.

Motion by Snyder, supported by Strong to approve the Final Preliminary Plan of the Sunnymead Plat No. 3 development contingent on the approval of the Village Engineer. All members present are in favor of Motion. Motion passed.

Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to approve the October 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 18,014.14. Roll call vote. Ayes from all members present. Bill package approved.

Communications were read: The 1990 Census figures for the population of the Village of Climax is 677 residents.

Streets: Hodges inquired of Holtz regarding the hours worked on weekends. Resolved that scheduling of weekend hours remain at the discretion of Holtz - Public Works Manager.

Signs are in for the bike path. Trash barrels are in place.

Water: Motion by Strong, supported by Glazer to accept the bid presented by Banghart Excavating to furnish material & labor to install nine water services to existing line on Maple Circle Street, one fire hydrant & valve. Total cost of installation to be \$4,200.00.

The Clerk presented to the Council graphs of the Water System usage and revenues.

Ordinance: Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to authorize the rental of a trash dumpster, provided by Michigan Disposal, at the cost of 360.00. Roll call vote. Ayes by all members present.

Old Business: Ben Holtz obtained a Christmas Tree for the Village from Don Chase at no cost. The tree is around 7 feet tall and will be planted in the Village park. The Council would like to thank Mr. Chase for donating the tree to the village.

New Business: Leaves are not to be burned on any village street or on the side of any street. The heat will destroy the pavement.

A leaf burning ban was discussed briefly. If a ban is to be considered in the future, the Village would need to develop a community-wide plan to dispose of the leaves.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45. Snyder/Glazer

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
October 29, 1991**

The Special meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Smith for the purpose of discussing the theft of the Climax Sign.

Present: Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance, Smith.

**NOTE: COUNCIL MEMBERS DO NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS.**

Also present: Marsha Lewis, Eleanor Smith.

During the early morning hours on Monday, October 21, 1991 the Climax sign located on the corner of MN Ave and 44th Street was stolen. This is just one of the many signs which have been taken and steps need to be taken to prevent this from happening again. One idea is to offer a reward to anyone who can give information that will lead to the apprehension and conviction of the individual(s) responsible.

Smith stated that the theft was reported to the State Police, the insurance company has been notified.

Visitors time: Eleanor Smith (representing herself and the Community Association) said she would like to see a reward.

The cost of the sign was around 1500.00. Of this amount the Community Association paid 800.00 and the Village paid 700.00. It was brought up that this cost seemed to be quite high, but compared to other sign quotes which ranged from 3000.00 to 5000.00, the sign was quite reasonable.

It was suggested that College newspapers should be notified of the reward.

A motion by Elwell, supported by Strong that the Village offer a 500.00 reward for any information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the individual(s) who stole the Climax sign on 10/21/91 from the corner of MN Ave. and 44th street. If information from two or more individuals is used, the reward money will be divided among those individuals. Ayes: Hodges, Strong, Elwell, Torrance, Smith. Nays: None. Abstaining: Snyder, Glazer.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00. Glazer/Hodges

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 5, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.  
ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

Minutes of the October 15th meeting were approved.

The October 31, 1991 Treasurer's Report was approved by a motion from Glazer, Seconded by Hodges. Roll call vote. All ayes from members present.

Communications were read:

Public Safety: Egg throwing was held to a minimum due to the great efforts of the Sheriff's Department.

Water: Repairs are still in process with the computer controlling the well pumps. The problems resulted from a lightening strike during the summer.

We received a water tank & tower Inspection Contract from Harco, Inc. The current contract ends on January 1, 1992.

The Sunnymead Plat No. 3 has been hooked up to the water system. The chlorination process needs to be completed and water samples taken before the water can be used.

The Water System has been installed in the Maple Terrace Plat. The Chlorination process has taken place and the system is now functioning.

Ordinance: The "Trash Drop off" project was a success as we filled a 30 yard and 20 yard dumpster. Because of the cold weather future drop-offs will be put on hold.

Old Business: The reward for the apprehension and conviction of those who stole the Climax sign is up to 1500.00. It was agreed to contact and post the reward at the surrounding colleges. It was felt that this may further the sign stealing problem, but it was also felt that the reward offer would be profitless if it was not communicated throughout the community.

Approval was received from the Village Engineer (Gove Assoc.) for the development of the Sunnymead Plat No. 3.

Work is almost complete on correcting the exceptions from the railroad safety inspection completed by the State.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25. Hodges/Snyder

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 19, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.  
ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The following addition is to be noted regarding the previous meeting's minutes (November 5): Motion by Glazer, seconded by J. Torrance to donate 100.00 toward the purchase of American Flags for placement in the Village. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none. Motion carried.

Bill Package: Glazer made a motion to accept the November 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 21,967.98. Elwell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none. Motion carried.

Communications were read: Questions have been brought up to Council members: Are Village residents being assessed 25.00 by the Township for the recycling program? There is no assessment to the Village residents as the Council voted, earlier in the year, to take the Village's share out of General Fund.

Finance: Motion by Glazer, supported by Elwell to approve up to 500.00 in expenses for upgrading the memory of the Village computers. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none. Motion carried

Streets: A letter was sent to the Department of Transportation to notify them that the Village has complied with the Railroad Crossing Violations.

The Ladies Club is interested in putting benches along the Bike path.

Water: Repairs are almost completed with the computer controlling the well pumps. The problems resulted from a lightening strike during the summer.

Water systems for Maple Terrace and Sunnymede are completed.

Ordinance: The Ordinance committee went around the Village and noted several violations. Letters will be sent.

Motion by Strong, supported by Hodges to prepare an Ordinance for the Bike Path. Ayes - all, Nays - none.

A copy of an ordinance on Sidewalk and Bike Path safety was reviewed and read. It will be given to the Village Attorney to review and modify.

Old Business: Community yard sale was discussed.  
Meeting was adjourned at 8:20. Glazer/Strong.  
Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 3, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.  
ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The minutes of the November 19th meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Elwell, Seconded by Snyder to approve the November 30, 1991 Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Ayes - All, Nays - None. Motion carried.

Communications were read:

Finance: Glazer suggested that Council members begin to prepare budget requests for the new year.

Water: Strong made a motion to accept the proposal by Harco Technologies Corp. to inspect the cathodic protection equipment of the water tower in the amount of 525.00. Glazer seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes - all. Nays - none.

The Bicycle Path Ordinance was read the second time.

Strong made a motion that we adopt the Climax Village Bicycle Path/Sidewalk Safety Ordinance as Ordinance Number 30. J. Torrance seconded the motion. Ayes - All members present. Motion carried.

New Business: Ben Holtz - (Public Works Manager) passed the Commercial Drivers License exam.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05. Glazer/Hodges.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 17, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.  
ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The minutes of the December 3rd meeting were approved.

Bill Package: Motion by Glazer and seconded by Snyder to accept the December 1991 Bill Package in the amount of 10,934.16. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none. Absent - J. Torrance.

Communications were read:

The Insurance Claim for the theft of the "Climax" sign was denied.

Water/Fire: The Climax Township Fire Department is setting up their next year's budget and Strong asked for input from members of the Council.

Ordinances: Associated Government Services was contacted regarding progress on past ordinance violations. Four violations still have not been cleared up. AGS was directed to continue their effort to clean up the violations.

Old Business: The two Village Computers have had the memory expanded. Repairs must be made to one of the disk drives.

New Business: The desk subject was brought up: Are we going to use them or not? There are plans to renovate the Village Hall. These changes would include: To secure the current office, to create an office for the Treasurer and Clerk and to centralize all Village Records. Until these plans are finalized, the desks will not be given away, sold or otherwise disposed of.

J. Torrance was appointed by President Smith to represent the Village in helping to coordinate the placement of the Flags in and around the Village. She will work with the Rotary Club and Community Association.

It was Suggested by President Smith and accepted by all members of the Council to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of all Council meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05. Hodges/Glazer.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 7, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, Torrance.  
ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Thomas Dewhirst, Billy King, Larry Leach, Gary Webster, Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The minutes of the December 17th meeting were approved.

Larry Leach representing the Climax Township Fire Department presented the 1992-93 Fire/Rescue budget and discussed the changes in the budget. The Village's portion for the 1992-1993 fiscal year will be 7,496.90. This is 30.5% of the total budget.

Tom Dewhirst representing the Kalamazoo County Human Services Department discussed the "Household Hazardous Waste Program." This involves the disposing of Household Hazardous Waste such as Paints, insecticides, oil, weed killers, etc... These wastes are being found in landfills and slowly working their way into ground water. The object of the program is to make the resident aware of the danger of these hazardous wastes and to give the resident a place to dispose of them safely. The problem is not just one household throwing away a can of paint. But when you times that one household by 10,000 or more, then there is a big problem.

There is a big cost in disposing the hazardous waste. Currently it is over 100.00 per household to dispose of it. It costs 18.00 to dispose of one gallon of paint. However, the resident cannot be billed for such a great amount. The County would like to sign up the Village as a member of the program. This would allow residents of the Village (with proof) to dump their hazardous waste at the County dump site. If the Village does not sign up, the County would not allow the resident to dump any waste. The program would charge the Village 3.00 per household, they would keep track of the number of residents bringing in waste and report back to the Council. The village would be charged accordingly to dispose of the waste, but the total accumulated charges would not exceed the Village's annual charge.

For residents who wish to dump any hazardous waste at the County Dump Site need to call the Kalamazoo County Human Services Dept. at 384-8004.

Gary Webster representing Associated Government Services discussed the current Public Nuisance Violations. We will continue in abating these nuisances until all are in compliance.

Billy King had questions regarding the water quality of the Municipal Water System, the prospect of a ban on leaf burning and her concern that no council member attended the meeting with the Congressman.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Elwell, seconded by Glazer to approve the December 1991 Treasurer's report. Roll call vote: Ayes: all, Nays: none.

Communications were read:

Finance: Glazer discussed some line items for the 1992-1993 Budget. Some budget project were discussed for the new year.

Water/Fire: We have received four "Climax Cares to Recycle" signs and they will be placed at the four entrances to the Village.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 21, 1992**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

**PRESENT:** Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Strong, Torrance.  
**ABSENT:** Snyder    **ALSO PRESENT:** Joe Shook (Supervisor of Wakeshma Twnshp), Lorna Landrum (Treasurer of Wakeshma Twnshp), Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The minutes of the January 7th meeting were approved.

Mr. Shook discussed the proposed landfill in Wakeshma Township and presented the disadvantages of the proposal. He urges the council to review the facts and to vote down the proposal.

**Bill package:** Motion by Glazer, seconded by Elwell to approve the January 1992 Bill Package in the amount of 5982.80. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none, Absent - Snyder.

**Communications were read:**

**Finance:** The 1992-93 Budget is starting to take shape as Glazer received more budget requests. Many areas were reviewed during the meeting.

A motion by Elwell and seconded by Glazer to allow 700.00 toward purchase of computer hardware. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none. This computer hardware will allow greater storage capacity for Village records. The total 1991-92 expenditures for computer hardware and software falls well within the budgeted amount for 1991-92.

**Public Safety:** The Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department report was received for the 1991 year. Traffic Stops - 204, Traffic Citations - 82, Complaints - 30, Arrests - 5. We are grateful for the department's time and effort in patrolling our community.

**Streets:** Discussed the flushing of water mains in an effort to notify residents prior to the flushing of the mains.

Motion by Glazer to designate David Hodges as Street Administrator for the Village of Climax and authorized in all transactions with the State Transportation Department as provided in Section 13 of Act 51. Supported by Strong. Roll call vote: Ayes - Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Strong, Torrance, Smith. Nays - none. Absent - Snyder.

**New Business:** Discussion of Wakeshma Landfill Proposal.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35. Elwell/J. Torrance

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 18, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited and roll taken.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None    ALSO PRESENT: Billie King, Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

Billie King, representing the Historical Society, approached the Council to ask for a letter of the Society's approval in support of obtaining a grant. The grant would be used to publish a third book on the history of the surrounding Climax/Scotts area.

The minutes of the February 4th meeting were approved.

Bill Package: Motion by Glazer, supported by Strong to approve the February 1992 Bill Package with the following exception: The bill from H.V. Burton & Co. is to be removed from Water Operations in the amount of 5898.79. The Water Operations total will then be 587.94 and the Bill Package total will be 5713.88. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none. Motion carried.

Communications were read: Because of an abundance of stray cats in the area, the recommendation of the Humane Society was sought. The Cats are now being live trapped and taken away by the Humane Society. Many of the stray cats are wild and diseased and pose a threat to the safety of the village residents. Household cats will be released.

Primary Election results of the six Republican candidates running for the three seats are: Michael Elwell - 22 votes, Michael Glazer - 18 votes, Judy O'hare - 12 votes, Michael O'hare - 9 votes, JoAnn Titus - 7 votes, and Lowell Snyder - 6 votes.

Finance: Motion by Glazer to transfer 8000.00 from the General Fund "Sidewalks" to General Fund "Appropriate to Major Streets." was presented. Seconded by Elwell. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none.

The preliminary 1992-93 Budget has been set up with \$122,739.00 in expected revenues and expenditures. The public will be invited to attend the next meeting, March 3, 1992, to review the new budget. Upon acceptance from the Council, the budget will be approved.

The finance committee suggested to have President Smith form a citizen's sub committee to investigate the possibilities of becoming a city.

Public Safety: A desire to create an emergency preparedness program was discussed.

**Streets:** Hodges presented discussion of his committee meeting. Street conditions were reviewed, ban on leaf burning and smoke alarms for Village Buildings were discussed.

**Water:** A warning devise was looked at for implementation into the Water System. Tabled until further information could be obtained.

**Ordinance:** Current ordinance violations were discussed and will be pursued.

PIC channel was discussed. Should the Village enter into a contract with the PIC channel at a substantial cost was the question. It is important that the Village resident be informed about the happenings in the Village, Who are the Council members, Who to contact when needed and when the meetings occur. Other alternatives will need to be looked at such as: Newsletters, Flyers and Newspaper notices.

**New Business:** The Village Charter was handed out to the members of the Council.

**Motion by Strong,** supported by Hodges that the Village of Climax endorse and applaud the Climax Township's decision in re-surfacing 43rd street from Q Ave to P Ave, from P Ave from 43rd to 42nd, from 42nd from P Ave to OP Ave. The Council believes this will help decrease the traffic volume passing through the Village limits and will enhance the safety of the residents. Ayes - all, Nays - none Motion carried.

**Motion by Glazer,** supported by Elwell to appoint the accountants - Foote, Lloyd and Illes to act as Village auditors. Ayes - all, Nays - none. Motion carried.

Meeting closed at 9:07. Glazer/Strong

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 4, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong,  
J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Joe Shook (Supervisor of Wakeshma  
Twnshp), Billie King, Kathy Schoen, Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The minutes of the January 21st meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Hodges, Seconded by Strong to  
approve the Treasurer's Report dated, January 31, 1992. Roll  
call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none.

Communications were read:

Ben Holtz reported on a new Water System Trouble Warning System.  
This new system would replace the current unreliable system. The  
System will be given to the Water Committee for further review.

Finance: The 1992-93 budget will go into committee next week and  
be presented to the Council and General Public during the Regular  
meeting on March 3rd. The Clerk will announce a Budget Hearing  
in the Crescent newspaper for any Resident who wishes to attend.

An insurance inspector visited the Village this past week and  
noted a couple of exceptions. A formal report will be sent to  
the Village for review.

Recycling: A recycling meeting of all the municipalities was  
held last week. The next meeting will be held on March 2nd  
around 12:30 in the Library. Any one may attend.

Water: The bill for the lightening damage was received. It  
totaled over 5800.00 and will be submitted to the insurance  
company.

Ordinance: A committee will be held to discuss the current  
ordinance violations, the current ordinances, and leaf burning.

The Village received the quote for advertising on the PIC10  
Channel. Tabled for further review.

Changing the Village from Partisan to Non-Partisan was discussed.  
A petition must be circulated and the question must be placed on  
next year's ballot for public approval. The change would only  
eliminate the candidate's requirement to name a party  
affiliation.

Motion by Snyder to proclaim Saturday, February 22, 1992 as "WALK  
FOR WARMTH DAY" in Kalamazoo County, and urge our citizens to  
show compassion for their neighbors in need by unselfishly  
contributing both time and money to this most worthy and,

unfortunately, very necessary event. Seconded by J. Torrance.  
All members in favor of motion. Motion passed.

Motion by Glazer, seconded by Elwell to vote "No Action" on the  
proposed Kalamazoo County Solid Waste Management Plan (641). The  
motion was withdrawn by both Glazer and Elwell.

Motion by J. Torrance, seconded by Elwell to vote "NO" on the  
proposed Kalamazoo County Solid Waste Management Plan (641).  
Ayes - Elwell, J. Torrance, D. Hodges, K. Smith, Nays - Strong,  
Abstain - Glazer, Snyder. Motion carried on not to accept the  
proposed plan by majority vote.

Meeting closed at 9:15. Glazer/Strong

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 3, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

PRESENT: Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong,  
J. Torrance.

ABSENT: None ALSO PRESENT: Ben Holtz, Brad Wyant.

The minutes of the February 18th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Hodges, Seconded by Elwell to  
approve the Treasurer's Report dated, February 29, 1992. Roll  
call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none.

Communications were read:

Finance: A lengthy discussion took place over the proposed 1992-  
93 budget. The budget will be finalized on the March 17th  
Council meeting.

Streets: A lot of effort and money has been given to the paving  
of the Village streets during the past few years. The Council  
needs to look into ways of protective and preventive maintenance  
to make sure the streets remain in good condition.

Water: A quote was received to add in a new phone line for the  
Village hall. This will be a dedicated line for the sole purpose  
of monitoring the water system Alarm.

A complaint was received about the quality of water in the  
Village. The water is tested monthly for a wide range of  
bacteria.

The Village is receiving money back from GPACC (recycling).

Ordinance: Flags will be put up one week prior and one week after  
holidays.

Meeting closed at 10:30. Elwell/Hodges

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 17, 1992**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Smith.

**PRESENT:** Smith, Elwell, Glazer, Hodges, Snyder, Strong, J. Torrance.

**ABSENT:** None    **ALSO PRESENT:** Ben Holtz, Chuck Kirkham, Judy O'Hare, Brad Wyant, Marian Peck, Destinee Stermer, Erin Bailey, Emily Peck.

The minutes of the March 3rd meeting were approved.

**Bill Package:** The March 1992 Bill Package was approved in the amount of 4472.81 by a motion from Glazer, Seconded by Snyder.  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes - all, Nays - none.

**Communications were read:**

Marian Peck, Leader of Girl Scout Troop #330, along with Destinee Stermer, Erin Bailey and Emily Peck gave a presentation to the Council. They discussed the Girl Scout program and the many activities they have done throughout the year.

**Water:** The water complaint that was noted during the last meeting was researched by Holtz. It was determined that the problem was the result of that house's plumbing and not the water system in general.

**Finance:** The 1991-92 budget (11 months completed) was discussed and a committee meeting was scheduled to review any necessary appropriations.

The 1992-93 budget was finalized. Glazer motioned to approve the 1992-93 Budget with the total revenue of \$245,171.79 and total expenditures of \$245,171.79. Elwell supported the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes - all, Nays - none.

**Old Business:**

1. - Seats for the swing sets have been replaced.
2. - Cats are still being trapped and 10 cats have been caught. Household cats are being released.

**New Business:**

1. - Strong suggested that State Grants be looked into for the purpose of park and street improvement.

Meeting closed at 8:10. Elwell/Strong.

Scott Torrance - Village Clerk.