

Village of Climax
Regular Meeting
February 18, 2003

Present: Scott Blayden, Bill Twiss, Terry Strong, Bill Rogers, Tricia Willis, Salli Thompson, Don Stevenson

Absent: None

Also Present: Bill Sackrider, Deb Wyant.

(Twiss/Thompson) Motion to approve the minutes of February 4, 2003 without exception.
Unanimously approved.

(Twiss/Strong) Motion to approve the February 2003 Bill Package totaling \$26,301.17. Roll Call vote: Unanimously approved.

(Blayden/Twiss) Motion to approve the January 31, 2002 Treasurer's Report. Major Streets = \$126,992.27; Local Streets = \$30,828.49; General Fund = \$254,567.56; Water Fund = \$131,994.48; Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; Totals = \$555,789.43. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: None

Communications: 1) A Letter was received from former council member, Larry Phoenix. 2) Letter from the Village of Schoolcraft requesting support by resolution for a Greater Kalamazoo Able to Play Project. No action was taken on the request. 3) Sam's Club solicitation for membership. The cost of membership does not justify any savings for the Village. 4) A letter was sent to the American Farmland Trust by President Stevenson regarding acreage, (60+ acres) within the Village limits, placed in a farmland trust restricting further development.

Public Works:

- 1) Mr. Gibson suggested some changes on the proposed water fountain in the park. Ms. Thompson will contact the company and make adjustments on the water fountain specifications as suggested by Mr. Gibson.
- 2) Received the final bid on the purchase of a new dump truck.
- 3) The proposed road construction on 44th street will eventually connect with Main Street. There is a question as to the construction and capability of Main Street: Is it an "all weather" road and will it be able to handle any future increases in traffic. The County suggest that the road is an "all weather" road. However more investigation is needed to determine the capability of Main Street.

Administration: The proposed 2003-04 budget was presented to the Council for their review.

Total General Fund Revenues and Expenditures: \$244,225.00

Total Major Street Revenues and Expenditures: \$41,300.00

Total Local Street Revenues and Expenditures: \$29,545.00

Total Water Fund Revenues and Expenditures: \$80,200.00

Total 2003-04 Revenues and Expenditures: \$395,770.00

Public Safety/Fire: The Law Enforcement committee is keeping an eye out on any narcotic activities in the Village. The Fire Department budget was reduced by the Township and will lower the Village's portion on the 2003-04 budget.

Old Business: The TRASH PICK-UP date is confirmed for June 23, 2003. The TRASH PICK-UP is for village residents only and residents are not to allow friends or relatives from outside the village to place trash along their curbside. The curbside trash will be monitored and any household with excessive amounts will be tagged and the trash will not be picked up. This is due to the new billing terms by the hauling company. This year, the Village will be charged per man hour and per yard of trash. In the past, the cost was based on an estimated total.

The VILLAGE WIDE YARD SALE is set for June 21, 2003.

New Business: None

The meeting was closed at 9:15 p.m. (Blayden/Twiss)
Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk