

Village of Climax  
Regular Meeting  
August 6, 2002

Present: S. Blayden, L. Phoenix, Bill Rogers, S. Thompson, B. Twiss, D. Stevenson.

Absent: Vacant seat

Also Present: Ken Anderson, Denise Anderson, Dan Reschner, Mike Belote, Bill Sackrider, Deb Wyant.

(Rogers/Phoenix) Motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2002 without exception.  
Unanimously approved.

Guests: Ken Anderson visited with the Council to discuss the ordinance violation he received regarding the large amount of junk cars and car parts on his property. Many of the cars and other articles in his yard are dropped off by people without his knowledge or consent. He will attempt to put a stop to this and clean up his property. The Village will also put a notice in the paper.

A question by Dan Reschner of the commercial nature of a railroad easement going through Mr. Anderson's property. He states that since the railroad is a commercial entity, cars and parts can be placed on this section. President Stevenson suggested that Mr. Reschner's understanding cannot be correct as the Village property ordinance supercedes that of the railroad's easement.

Mike Belote asked the Council if a singing group could perform in the park for the Sunday evening Praise in the Park activity. Mr. Belote indicated the volume would be kept low. All Council members were in favor of this entertainment and would allow the singing group to perform.

Communications:

- 1) The Village Attorney's fee will be increased to \$125/hour.
- 2) Kalamazoo Regional Water & Wastewater Commission (KRWWWC) fees are due.  
(Twiss/Rogers) Motion to continue membership in the KRWWWC organization as a non-voting member for an annual fee of \$100. Roll call vote: all in favor.
- 3) Letter from the Historical Society tabled to await further information.

Public works:

- 1) 1988 dump truck taken in for repair estimates.

Administration: Bill Sackrider's 90 day probation period is over and pay rate increased according to original motion.

Streets: (Twiss/Phoenix) Motion to relocate street light on East Maple and Maple Circle at a cost of \$320 payable prior to installation. Roll call vote: all in favor.

Water: Bill Rogers researched the ground water in our area. Neither the State of Michigan or Kalamazoo County require a permit for installing irrigation wells. Also Water is neither tested or regulated. Mr. Rogers main concern is if the surround wells are available as monitoring wells for the Village in the event the Village is required to have a Wellhead Protection Plan. According to the County, the surrounding irrigation wells are available and we would only need the permission of the owner of the well. If the school were to hook up, their current well could also be used as a monitoring well.

Old Business: Ms. Thompson received a call regarding naming of the park. The Council may at a later date attempt to give the park. a name.

New Business: Only one name has been received to fill the vacant see on the Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m. (Phoenix/Twiss)  
Scott Torrance – Village Clerk