

Village of Climax

Regular Meeting
December 18, 2007

Present: Trustees: David Dell, Thomas Jones, Bill Lewis, Lisa Strong, Terry Strong, Bill Twiss;
President: Bill Rogers; Treasurer: Deb Wyant.

Absent: None

Also Present: Jack Mannes, Jan Vosburg and Bruce Rolfe.

Agenda: **(T.Strong/Dell)** Motion to approve the agenda with changes. Unanimously approved.

(Jones/T.Strong) Motion to approve the minutes of December 4, 2007. Unanimously approved.

(Jones/L.Strong) Motion to approve the December 2007 Bill Package totaling \$10,482.42. Roll call vote: Ayes – Jones/Twiss, T.Strong, L.Strong, Dell and Rogers. Nays – Lewis. Motion carried 6 to 1.

(Jones/T.Strong) Motion to approve the November 2007 Treasurer's Report as presented: Major Streets = \$142,744.04; Local Streets = \$47,324.78; General Fund = \$146,801.77; Water Fund = \$79,410.63, Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; Totals = \$427,688.02. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests:

1. The United Methodist Church, located in an R-1 district, is seeking a variance to add on to the existing buildings. Jack Mannes and Jan Vosburg, representing the United Methodist Church located at 133 E. Maple, visited with the Council and presented in greater detail, plans to add to the church. A model and a sketch were presented. The design plan calls for removing the existing parking area to build a structure that would connect the current education building with the chapel. The design that was presented is based on sufficient funding and may therefore be scaled down due to lack of funding. The project start date would also depend on the funding. Residents within 300 feet of the property will need to be notified and will have an opportunity to comment at a variance hearing. A tentative date for the hearing will be on one of the two regular council meetings in February.

(Twiss/Lewis) Motion to authorize the Clerk to begin the variance process, notify area residents and set a public hearing date for the UMC request. Unanimously approved.

Communications: Noted

Public Works:

- 1) Ice on the sidewalk in front of the Library – have the DPW look into the problem.
- 2) DPW is reading the water meters.
- 3) Sidewalk cleaning – A message through MML listserv noted caution on the DPW cleaning sidewalks throughout the village. Doing so could create a liability issue. The Clerk was directed to check with the insurance company's risk department for advice and report back at the next meeting. The current ordinance notes the requirement of property owners to shovel their own sidewalks with 24 hours of a snowfall.

Water: Members of the water committee have not heard back from high school regarding the contaminated water issue at the middle school.

Administration: **(Jones/Twiss)** Motion to approve the budget amendments to the 2007-08 budget.
 Roll call vote – Unanimously approved.

<u>Budget Amendments: December 18, 2007</u>	<u>LINE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
GENERAL FUND 12/18/07			
Fund Balance	125	9,369.00	
Contingency	32	629.00	
Council Member wages	37	1,275.00	
Drain Maintenance	81	1,500.00	
Equipment Purchases	116	112.00	
Insurance Package	111	3,403.00	
Administrative Travel	26		50.00
Village to City expenses	31		1,842.00
Legal Fees	47		5,000.00
Telephone / DSL	55		280.00
Cemetery Supply	67		1,200.00
Tree Maintenance	74		2,725.00
Sidewalk Repair/Construction	80		709.00
Equipment Repairs	88		735.00
Purchases	89		1,448.00
Park Improvements	92		1,512.00
Workers Compensation Ins.	113		787.00
		16,288.00	16,288.00
MAJOR STREETS 12/18/07			
Engineering	153	9,037.00	
Construction	148		662.00
Appropriate to other funds (LS)			8,375.00
		9,037.00	9,037.00
WATER FUND 12/18/07			
Office Supplies	202	700.00	
Operating supplies	203	300.00	
Repair & Maintenance	209		1,000.00
		1,000.00	1,000.00

Public Safety/Fire: No further information to report on for the vandalism during the year.

Old Business: None
 New Business: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
 Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk