

VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes
September 8, 2011

Call to order 7:01pm

Roll call – Sue Villanueva, Jeanette Schultz, Garry Patrick, Mark Jorgensen and Ruth Wineman
Also present were Monte O'Dell-DPW, Shirley Harmon-Clerk, Bill Hadlock-Engineer, Doug Kelsey-Lion's Club, Shari Carney-MV News, Deborah Smith, Jean Quantrell, Meighan Barnes, Martin Hakenjas, Phillip Hakenjas and Bryan Faurot-all residents.

Absent were- Jason Sheridan, Nathan Derusha and Kelly Williams.

Pledge to flag

Public Comment

Doug Kelsey from the Lion's Club presented the requested street closing plan for this year's Trunk R Treat. They are requesting that it be held on Saturday October 29th, 5pm to 8pm. Move to new business.

Bryan Faurot was present to express his and his neighbors concerns on the lot purchased on Linden street by the village. They definitely did not like the thought of the use of prisoners to clear the lot, they were worried that the prisoners would be casing their homes. They were also worried that the parking lot would draw loiterers and bad elements.

Martin Hakenjas was worried that the lot would bring in druggies.

Deb Smith stated that there is a sign posted for NO motorize vehicles on the trail and there is already a problem with this.

Consent Agenda Items

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM 5, CONSENT AGENDA, ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL NOT BE SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- A. Minutes – Regular mtg.8-4-11
- B. Treasurer's report for August 2011
- C. Bills for approval thru 9-8-11

Ruth Wineman pointed out that under Technology Committee the person named as working on the servers should be Nathan Derusha. Mark Jorgensen moved to approve the consent agenda items with the correction in the minutes, seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

Reports from Council Committees

Insurance/Legal/Finance-Clerk met with Kevin Decker from MCM Group and he is suppose to be sending over a quote, also he mentioned that MCM is now offering grants to their clients.

Water/Sewer-Garry Patrick reported that they are looking at some new projects.

Grants -

Ordinance -report

Street Drains and Sidewalks-looking at storm drains on Spring and Third, the pipe on Spring is 24" and broken and leaking.

Fire-no minutes

Buildings & Grounds –office roof, only one bid received for the roof, from JD Wetzel & Sons. The cost for a metal roof would be \$3,200.00 and for a shingle roof \$3,800.00, the metal will be the best and last the longest. We would also like to get grading done around the office, put in window wells and tiles around the building. The front door was also brought up, to fix the handle would be over \$1,000.00 and to replace the door would be \$1,153.00, so he is looking on Craig's List and around for a better deal.

Technology-the servers are up and running, BS&A is installed on the 2 office computers. The DPW computer will be connected to the server this weekend then BS&A will be loaded onto it.

Health & Safety- set the next meeting for Neighborhood Watch for 9-19th at 7pm.

Personnel-Garry mentioned that the state government is looking at requiring public employees to pay 20% of benefits, will keep an eye on this bill.

DPW Report

The electric rate increase by Consumers Energy brought to the village's attention by MML, Monte checked into this and found out that it doesn't pertain to us.

The sewer pump at the Nut Street lift station has been sent in for repairs.
The leaf vactor needs repair, the clutch for \$1,442.00 and the impeller for \$1,180.00.
East First Street needs to have the water main replaced. Monte would like to propose the council use the money left over from the 2010 Project loan of 155,000.00. This would pay for the parts needed and then bid out the labor.

Jason Sheridan entered the meeting at 7:50pm.

The CBDG Ice Grant is now closed.

Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

Planning Commission
ZBA -minutes

President-Clerk-Treasurer Report

Clerk brought up that the various committees need to meet for budget projects before October budget meetings. Also received State foreclosure notice on property on Elm Street and notice of rezoning request from the county by Mervin Hochstetler for the old weatherwax property to C2.

Progress reported on BS&A install and training.

Ruth reported on the new EVIP reporting for Statutory Revenue Sharing required by the governor.

Ruth also reported on the case for the vandalism from last summer and that she plans on going to the hearing.

Unfinished Business

The Linden Street property was discussed again, with Garry Patrick pointing out that the council is looking to improve quality of life for our residents. Will set up a meeting with the county, residents and council members to discuss further.

New Business

Trunk R Treat – Garry Patrick moved to approve the setting of the official Halloween Trick R Treating for Saturday October 29th and allow the Lion's Club to hold their Trunk R Treat from 5pm to 8pm and close off streets between the Main corners (S Main) to about in front of the Post Office and the 2 parking areas by the park and Ace Auto. Seconded by Jason Sheridan, 4 ayes and 1 abstained (Jorgensen).

S2 Grant – Mark Jorgensen moved to allow Paradigm Design to submit the grant application on January 1, 2012 at the added cost of \$9,000.00 the already allowed \$13,000.00, seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

Garry Patrick moved to table the motion for the use of the funds from the \$155,000.00 loan until we have cost estimates on the water main project on East First.

Mark Jorgensen moved to purchase the clutch and impeller for the leaf vactor at the costs of 1,442.00 and 1,180.00 respectively, seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

Mark Jorgensen moved to go ahead with the Point & Pay portion of the BS&A software so that residents can pay by credit/debit card or electronic check, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

Mark Jorgensen moved to go ahead with the Tax look up service (real time) portion of the BS&A software, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

No response to be made on the rezoning issue.

The office rug needs to be cleaned, refer to buildings & grounds.

Mark Jorgensen moved to accept the resignation of Nathan Derusha with deep regrets, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

Mark Jorgensen moved to post notice in the paper 9-17th and 24th for letters of intent in by 9-30th. Seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

Public Comment

Bryan Faurot mentioned the problem with the dust and corn shucks from the existing silos and now with the bigger new silo it will be worse.

Adjournment

Jason Sheridan moved to adjourn, seconded by Mark Jorgensen, all ayes.

9:34pm

Shirley Harmon