

**VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
October 7, 2010**

Call to order

Roll call –Present were Jeanette Schultz, Sue Villanueva, Garry Patrick, Mark Jorgensen, Jason Sheridan, Nathan Derusha and Doug Kelsey-President. Also present were Kay Marsh-Treasurer, Monte O'Dell-DPW Supervisor, Shirley Harmon-Clerk, Teresa Spagnoulo-O'Dell, Jason Orton from David Chapman Agency, JoeAnn Nehmer, Ruth Wineman and Shari Carney-reporter.

Pledge to flag

Public Comment

JoeAnn Nehmer present to ask the Council to support the Eatran ballot proposal. Patrick moved to put topic under new business, seconded by Jorgensen, all ayes.

Jason Orton present to introduce himself and his company (David Chapman Agency).

Jason Sheridan would like council to consider a possible security camera installation.

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. 9-9-10
- B. Treasurer's report for September
- C. Bills for approval thru 10-7-10

Motion to approve consent agenda items made by Patrick seconded by Sheridan, 5 ayes and 1 nay

Reports from Council Committees

Insurance-recommendation from committee to change the village's property and liability insurance company to David Chapman Agency at cost of \$10,298.00, all ayes. We are looking at other medical insurance companies because of a 24% increase coming at renewal.

Water/Sewer-recommendation for budget still working on it, meeting tomorrow.

Grants- none

Ordinance-look at budget for officer pay.

Street Drains and Sidewalks –worked on budget

Fire-minutes-Schultz gave report

Buildings & Grounds-none

Technology-talked about budget

Health & Safety-would like meeting

Personnel-Kelsey gave report

DPW Report

ICE Grant is going well, checklist has been worked on. Final draft on grant money is being figured out by engineer.

Water testing and attorney fees can count toward our portion of the project.

Papers have been sent in on the Lagoons, waiting for response from DEQ.

Need decision from council on the DICE Grant as to if we should do it or not.

O'Dell would like to purchase a new O2 sensor for \$775.00 instead of fixing the old one at 260.00 a year.

Villanueva moved to purchase a new O2 sensor for 775.00, seconded by Sheridan, all ayes.
Grant for a new Wood Chipper was received and has been bought by Dimondale, Potterville and Vermontville.
Homecoming Parade October 15th, would like to close streets.
Water tower is in good condition.

Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

Planning Commission - minutes
ZBA has another request for variance in front of them, so meeting pending.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator

Building Referrals report presented

President-Clerk-Treasurer Report

Kelsey gave report on meeting attended about business in our communities.
Marsh brought up the Grant class which Kelsey is going to October 18th and 19th, she feels that the council should not pay for the class ahead of the class being reimbursed by Kelsey. No motion was ever made. Discussion ensued. Villanueva moved to wait on sending Kelsey to the class until after elections, seconded by Sheridan, discussion followed. Sheridan withdrew second to not send to class, Villanueva withdrew her motion. Villanueva moved to not send Kelsey to class, Schultz seconded, VOTE – Schultz-aye, Villanueva-aye Patrick-no, Jorgensen-no, Derusha-no, Sheridan-no, motion defeated.

Sheridan moved to have Kelsey attend class and send check and that he will pay us before he goes, Patrick seconded. Ayes-Sheridan, Derusha, Patrick nays-Villanueva and Schultz abstained-Jorgensen

Budget meeting the 18th can it be during the day? yes 3pm

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Mail-Elder Law and SBAM
MiCafe - no private space-see if this makes a difference

Halloween hours- Trunk R Treat Saturday October 30, 2010 the Lion's Club would like to close off Eastside Dr and the parking lot north of the Hardware from 5pm to 7pm. Jorgensen moved to set hours for trick or treat at 5 to 7pm, seconded by Sheridan, all ayes.

Close off Eastside Dr and the parking lot north of the Hardware from 5pm to 7pm, Sheridan moved to approve, seconded by Patrick, 5 ayes 2 abstained (Kelsey and Jorgensen).

Homecoming Parade Oct. 15th at 5:30pm - "The Boys of Fall" is the theme, meet at garage at 4:55pm

Jorgensen moved to Close the streets (East Main from the school drive to the four corners down South Main to Third for parade, seconded Patrick, all ayes.

Eatran Proposal- Patrick moved to support the Resolution for Eatran millage, seconded by Derusha, nay 4 aye 2, motion failed.

Sheridan moved to not do the DICE grant at this time, Jorgensen seconded motion, all ayes.

Security camera- Technology committee to check into

Kelsey brought up having a monetary reward for tips that lead to positive conviction of persons responsible for the paint vandalism. Patrick moved to offer \$500.00 reward, seconded Sheridan and if any others groups are interested in adding to the reward they are welcome, seconded Sheridan, all ayes.

Public Comment

Teresa Spagnuolo-O'Dell mentioned a neighborhood watch program could be formed and the sheriff department will train. Health and Safety committee to look into.
Harmon brought up that the Harvest Dinner is on October 16th and that the library is showing the movie "To Kill a Mockingbird" afterwards at the Opera House at 7:30pm.

Adjournment

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

Time 8:58

X

Shirley Harmon
Village Clerk