

Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Village Office, October 10, 2013

- I. Call to Order -7:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call – Present: Councilmen Sheridan, Jorgenson, and Patrick; Councilwomen Villanueva and Hosey, President Wineman, Treasurer Kathy Joppie. Also in attendance, Monte O’Dell and Shari Carney. Absent: Councilman Viele.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Public Comments
 - a) Village resident, Tina Mulhoney, commented that in the fall, leaves from a vacant lot adjacent to her home are blown into her yard. She is going to be selling her home and asked that ordinances be enforced to help neighborhood look nice. Councilwoman Villanueva stated that ordinance violation letters are being sent to homeowners.
- V. Consent Agenda Items

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM 6, CONSENT AGENDA, ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE VILAGE 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- July and Special meeting
- B. Bills for approval September 13 to October 10, 2013
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Nine Months Ending September 30, 2013

Motion made by Councilman Jorgensen to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Councilwoman Hosey seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

- VI. Treasurer Report- Kathy Joppie
 - a. Kathy Joppie stated that \$28,000 of the taxes are delinquent. She also discussed cashing in certificate of deposits and looking for better CD rates.

Motion made by Councilman Jorgenson to accept Treasurer Report as presented. Councilwoman Hosey seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

- VII. Reports from Council Committees
 - a. Insurance/Legal/Finance – No report given.
 - b. Water/Sewer – No report given.
 - c. Grants – No report given.
 - d. Ordinance
 - A resolution was presented that limits the number of garage sales to six per calendar year for a person in the village, including Maple Syrup Festival week in April and community garage sales in August. It would further limit each sale to a three day period.

Motion made by Councilman Jorgenson to accept garage sale resolution. Roll call vote: ayes: Sheridan, Wineman, Jorgenson, Patrick, Villanueva, Hosey. Nays: None. Absent: Viele. Motion passed.
 - Dilapidated buildings. Property on Round Lake Rd was turned over to the County and they never followed up. The burned out building on S. Main has a crumbling foundation

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and broken windows covered with plywood. Councilman Sheridan will call county building inspector.

- e. Streets and Sidewalks – Councilman Patrick stated that he and Monte O’Dell checked the Sherman St. drain after the heavy rain and water did not cross the road, only the shoulder. They will address the shoulder of the road. North side of E. Main will get millings.
 - f. Fire – No report given.
 - g. Buildings and Grounds – Councilman Jorgenson noted that they are in the process of obtaining new windows.
 - h. Technology – Councilman Sheridan noted that campfire permits that are currently being scanned and emailed via the office printer are not showing Village of Vermontville as sender. Recommended scanning to computer and then emailing.
 - i. Health and Safety – Councilwoman Villanueva would like to set up a meeting.
 - j. Personnel – President Wineman noted that information will be presented on insurance as soon as it is received from the federal government.
- VIII. DPW Report – Monte O’Dell reported on the USDA Rural Development Proposal. Total cost of \$2000. Village water would pay 1,000 and it would be matched. DPW will be flushing hydrants October 21-23, and water may be discolored. Decided that Asset Management Information Meeting with Paradigm will be October 14, at 7pm.
- IX. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards – no report given.
- X. President Report
- a. Tri-County Office on Aging asked for a designation of \$241.00 for the Meals-On-Wheels program in the village’s 2014 budget.
- Motion made by Councilman Patrick to designate \$241.00. Councilman Jorgenson seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.
- b. EVIP (Economic Vitality Incentive Program) was completed on September 26, 2013. This is the first year that is pretty accurate.
 - c. Preliminary 2014 Budget – President Wineman explained that general fund shows a deficit because we are in the 3rd year of paying the water loan to major streets. When all is added up we are in the black. We are resolving issues that cost money in previous years. EVIP was included in preliminary budget revenue. A generator for the office will cost \$8,000. It would be used mainly to protect equipment, including the server.
- XI. Old Business – no report given.
- XII. New Business
- a. Halloween Events
 - i. The Vermontville Lions Club Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 26 from 4:30 to 7pm. Free hot dogs and hot chocolate will be served. The haunted house will be held in the park’s new pavilion and not at Ace Auto this year.

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- ii. Councilman Sheridan made a motion to Trick or Treat on Thursday, October 31, from 5 to 7pm. Seconded by Councilman Jorgenson. 5 ayes, Patrick opposed. Motion passed.
 - iii. Decided it is not necessary to have Eaton County Sheriff posse for Halloween.
 - b. USDA Rural Development Proposal – Monte O’Dell stated the village would pay \$1,000. Councilman Sheridan made a motion to accept the proposal. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion carried.
- XVI. Public Comment
- XVII. Adjournment
- a) Councilman Sheridan made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marisa Derusha, Clerk