

Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Village Office, March 12, 2015

I. Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call – Present: Councilwomen Sandra Hosey and Beverly Sue Villanueva; Councilmen Mark Jorgensen, Charles Viele, and Jason Sheridan; President Wineman. Absent: none. Also present: Michelle Falcon - Maple Valley Schools Superintendent, Jason Fagerman – Kingscott & Associates, Mike Hosey – Eaton County Commissioner; Brian Holleman – Paradigm Design; Mark Nettleton – Mika, Meyers, Beckett & Jones; Laurie Tamez, CPA, Shari Carney – J-Ad Graphics, Terry Samann, Britiney Rumsey, Christopher Rumsey, Kathy Joppie and Marisa Derusha.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Public Comment

A. Michelle Falcon – Maple Valley Schools Superintendent

1. Maple Valley Schools would like to use the pavilion to serve lunches from June 22 to August 21, 2015, Monday – Friday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

2. A free supper program at the Jr. Sr. High School will serve students at 3:30 p.m., Monday – Thursday, who are at school for an academic or athletic purpose, from now until the end of the school year.

Councilman Sheridan made a motion to let Maple Valley Schools use the pavilion and park to serve lunches to kids from June 22 to August 21, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

B. Jason Fagerman, Kingscott & Associates – spoke about the site improvements to Maplewood School. A new bus loop west of the building will be constructed to improve safety.

C. Mike Hosey, Eaton County Commissioner

1. The shooting incidents in Mulliken and Eaton Rapids are being investigated.

2. The Eaton County road millage will repave and re-gravel every road in Eaton County. The village has already received some of those funds.

Councilman Viele made a motion to enter the public hearing on the proposed State Revolving Fund Project Plan for Improvements to the Village of Vermontville’s Wastewater Collection and Treatment System. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

Entered public hearing at 7:23 p.m.

V. Public hearing on the Proposed State Revolving Fund Project Plan for Improvements to the Village of Vermontville Wastewater Collection and Treatment System.

A. Paradigm Design’s Brian Holleman presented a slide show on the SRF loan program and the project plan alternatives. The formal public hearing is necessary to solicit input from residents.

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B. We currently have a surface water discharge permit but the system discharges to both surface water and groundwater. We have three options:

1. Convert to surface water discharge permit.
2. Convert to groundwater discharge permit.
3. Apply for groundwater permit and maintain dual permits.

C. The State of Michigan requires a project plan, plans and specifications, and a revenue system.

D. Alternatives

1. Surface water discharge will cost between \$850,000 and \$1 million.
2. Groundwater discharge will cost around \$1,250,000.
3. Replace lift station No. 1 - \$77,000.
4. Replace pumps, flow meter, and piping to Lift Station No. 3 - \$40,000.

E. Clearwater removal options:

1. Upgrade collection and pump stations to be able to accommodate inflow - \$2.5 million.
2. Clearwater removal program - \$540,000. (not eligible for SRF funding)

Next step is to adopt the project plan at this meeting or in April. The project plan needs to be submitted to the MDEQ by July 1, 2015. The State of Michigan comes out with a priority list in November. If the Village if on it, we will receive funding the following July.

Councilwoman Hosey made a motion to move back into the regular meeting. Councilman Viele seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry. Moved out of public hearing at 8:10 p.m.

Moved into regular meeting at 8:18 p.m.

VI. Consent Agenda Items

ALL ITEMS LISTED UNDER ITEM 6, 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 – February 12, 2015, Personnel, March 5, 2015 Special
- B. Bills for Approval – February 13, 2015 to March 12, 2015
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Two Months Ended February 28, 2015
- D. Treasurer Report

Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Councilwoman Hosey seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

VII. Reports from Council Committees

- A. Insurance/Legal/Finance – no report given.

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- B. Water & Sewer – The resolution to adopt a final project plan for wastewater improvements will be discussed at the April Council meeting.
- C. Grants – no report given.
- D. Ordinance – Ordinance violation notices will be sent out prior to the Maple Syrup Festival.
- E. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks –
 - 1. The village received \$8,000 from the Eaton County Road Repair millage.
 - 2. A cell phone company contacted Councilman Jorgensen about putting an antenna on the water tower. The village would receive revenue.
- F. Fire – The fire department practiced water rescue this month. The Fireman’s Dance is Saturday, March 21, at Rip’s Place. There will be a dinner, dance and silent auction.
- G. Buildings & Grounds – Independent Bank is willing to donate the bank building to the Village of Vermontville. We are waiting to receive the offer documents.
- H. Technology - Replacement hard drive and a spare were purchased for the server.
- I. Health & Safety – Committee needs to meet to discuss the Maple Syrup Festival.
- J. Personnel – Committee will meet again in the next couple weeks to discuss substance abuse policy.

VIII. DPW Report

- A. DPW Supervisor Chris Rumsey spoke with Hometown Decoration and Display regarding making changes to the 3 year contract. They will rotate the Christmas decorations and they will contact us before installation and removal of decorations.

-Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to approve President Wineman signing the contract with Hometown Decoration and Display out of Hudsonville for 3 years on a rotation basis for \$1,624 per year. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

- B. Consent letters were sent to two homeowners requesting permission for the Village to cut down dead trees overhanging the village garage. One of the homes is in foreclosure, and therefore, we are not able to gain access.
- C. Chris Rumsey received a \$200 scholarship to attend the APWA Snow Conference in April.
- D. The DPW needs a new pump for water main breaks. Our current pump takes ½ hour to prime. We can purchase one, including hoses, for \$2,000 from AIS.

Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to allow Chris Rumsey to enter negotiations with AIS to purchase a pump for \$2,000. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

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IX. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards – Planning Commission already met this month. Councilman Sheridan would like to look at the Maple Valley Schools architect's plans. Will hold a joint meeting with Streets/Drains committee.

X. President Report

A. Clerk will be attending the 2nd year of the Clerk's Institute the week of March 16.

B. We have received two letters of intent for the open Trustee seat. We will publish the notice again in the Maple Valley News and then interview candidates on April 8.

XI. Old Business

A. Councilwoman Villanueva made arrangements for Garry Patrick's retirement dinner. It will be Saturday, March 28, at 6:00 p.m at Rip's.

XII. New Business

XIII. Public Comment

XIV. Adjournment - Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to adjourn. Council seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marisa Derusha
Village Clerk