

**Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Village Office, April 9, 2015**

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

- II. Roll Call – Present: Councilwoman Sandra Hosey (7:30 p.m.); Councilmen Mark Jorgensen, Jason Sheridan, Charles Viele; Councilwoman Sue Villanueva; President Ruth Wineman. Absent: none. Also present: Marisa Derusha, Kathy Joppie, Britiney Rumsey, Christopher Rumsey and Laurie Tamez CPA.

- III. Pledge of Allegiance

- IV. Public Comment

- V. 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 – March 12, 2015, Water & Sewer
- B. Bills for Approval – March 13, 2015 to April 9, 2015
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015
- D. Treasurer Report

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

- VI. Reports from Council Committees
 - A. Insurance/Legal/Finance – no report given.

 - B. Water & Sewer – The water/sewer committee met on March 13, to discuss delinquent water/sewer bills. Those bills not paid by April 30 each year are added to the summer tax roll. Councilman Sheridan made a motion to add the delinquent water/sewer accounts to the summer tax roll if not paid by April 30, 2015. Councilman Viele seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

 - C. Grants – no report given.

 - D. Ordinance

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1. Discussed dogs running loose in town. An ad reminding residents to keep dogs on a leash will be placed in the Maple Valley News.

 - E. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks – Discussed the projects being planned for 2015: West St, clear the ditch on E. Main, Spring St, 2nd St, and Maple St. The following are bids received for Spring Street: \$11,087.50 Hoffman Bros, \$11,350 Gardner Farms & Excavating, and \$17,476 Carroll’s Excavating.

 - F. Fire – This month the fire department is working on grass fire training.

 - G. Buildings & Grounds – Councilman Jorgensen heard from the bicyclist group that will be using the pavilion on Saturday, May 30. They will have 2 porta-potties dropped off May 29 and we would like them picked up Monday morning. Up to 400 bicyclists are expected to ride through the village. They start at 8:30 a.m. in Grand Ledge.

 - H. Technology – Upgrading to paid version of SmarterMail.

 - I. Health & Safety – no report given.

 - J. Personnel – no report given.
- VII. DPW Report –
- A. Received a bid from Murray’s for \$1950 to fix the hole in Third St created by the water main break.
 - B. The street sweeper was in the shop and is now fixed.
 - C. Chris Rumsey now has his CDL. He previously had a temporary permit that allowed him to train with a license holder.
- VIII. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards – Planning commission met with streets committee to discuss Maplewood School. The school’s engineers will look at the corner of Seminary and Washington, as it will get clipped by buses.
- IX. President Report –
- A. For the water reliability report, we need to have a pressure check.
 - B. We need to arrange for the fire department to inspect the Maple Syrup Festival fireworks on Friday, April 24.
 - C. Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to make Sue Villanueva the President Pro-tem. Councilman Viele seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.
- X. Old Business
- A. Open Trustee Seat – One applicant withdrew. We will run the open trustee seat ad in the newspaper for two weeks in May, with an application deadline of May 22. Interviews and appointment will be in June.

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B. Bank Information

1. The village has received the donation agreement from Independent Bank and we will pass that onto our attorney.
2. Laurie Tamez's recommendation is to keep remaining bank accounts at Independent Bank until this fall and then re-evaluate. In the meantime we will deplete check stock and wait to see if another bank comes to town.
3. Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to reimburse office staff retroactively for the drive to Nashville and pay mileage from here on out. Councilman Sheridan seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

XI. New Business

A. A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FINAL PROJECT PLAN FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND DESIGNATING AN AUTHORIZED PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE

WHEREAS, the Village of Vermontville recognizes the need to make improvements to its existing wastewater treatment and collection system; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Vermontville authorized Paradigm Design, Inc. to prepare a Project Plan, which recommends the construction of Treatment System Alternative No. 3 and Wastewater Collection Alternative No. 4; and

WHEREAS, said Project Plan was presented at a Public Hearing held on March 12, 2015 and all public comments have been considered and addressed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Vermontville formally adopts said Project Plan and agrees to implement the selected alternative (Treatment System Alternative No. 3 and Wastewater Collection Alternative No. 4).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village President, a position currently held by Ruth Wineman, is designated as the authorized representative for all activities associated with the project referenced above, including the submittal of said Project Plan as the first step in applying to the State of Michigan for a revolving fund loan to assist in the implementation of the selected alternative.

- B. Councilwoman Villanueva made a motion to accept the resolution adopting a project a plan for wastewater system improvements and designating an authorized project representative. Councilman Sheridan seconded. Roll call vote.

Yeas: Hosey, Jorgensen, Sheridan, Viele, Villanueva, Wineman

Nays: none

Abstain: none

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Absent: none

Motion carried.

XII. Public Comment

XIII. Adjournment – Councilman Jorgensen made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Villanueva seconded. Vote taken. All ayes carry.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marisa Derusha
Clerk