

**VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
December 3, 2009**

**1. Call to order 7pm**

**2. Roll call** – Mark Jorgensen, Garry Patrick, Jason Sheridan, Abe French, Jeanette Schultz, Sue Villanueva and Doug Kelsey. Also present were Kay Marsh -Treasurer, Monte O'Dell-DPW Supervisor, Amy Jo Kinyon, Paul Foster, Tom Williams, Lee Joppie, Blair Miller -Township Trustee, Andrea Stay -Eaton County Conservation and Nancy Krupiarz-Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance.

**3. Pledge to flag**

**GREENWAYS TRAIL INITATIVE** – presentation given by Nancy Krupiarz

Shirley Harmon entered meeting at 7:10pm

Sue Villanueva moved to go into the Public Hearings, seconded by Mark Jorgensen.

**PUBLIC HEARING  
WATER/SEWER RATES**

Hearing to set the WATER/SEWER rates for 2010, which represents a COLA increase of 3.4% per thousand gallons usage.

Jason Sheridan explained about the COLA. Garry Patrick moved to recommend to council the approval of the resolutions for water and sewer rates for 2010 using the COLA rate of 3.4%, seconded by Jason Sheridan. Ayes -6 Nays - Sue Villanueva

**PUBLIC HEARING  
VILLAGE BUDGET FOR 2010**

Purpose of Public Hearing is discussing adoption of the 2010 Budget.

That **“THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED IS 15 MILS BEFORE HEADLEE ROLL BACKS”** to support the 2010 budget.

Mark Jorgensen moved to recommend approval of the 2010 proposed budget, seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

Mark Jorgensen moved to close the public hearings and go into regular session, seconded by Jason Sheridan.

**4. Public Comment**

Jeanette Schultz would like ordinance committee back under committee reports.

**5. 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. 11-5-09
- B. Treasurer's report for November
- C. Bills for approval- 11-6-09 to 12-3-09

Motion to approve the consent agenda items made by Abe French, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

**6. Reports from Council Committees**

Water/Sewer-meeting on new meter reader held in November. Two bids received – Etna bid \$6,000.00 and Municipal Supply bid \$14,700.00. Mark Jorgensen moved to purchase meter reader from ETNA, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

Legal-clerk to call attorney and ask for hourly billing on bills.

Insurance-letter presented from MCM on claim (civil rights fees)

Grants-meeting on 11-24-09 discussed 2 grants. Façade grant is about done; the construction amount came to \$64,287.00 with V&H having been paid 30,875.00 already. Wilcox's portion came to \$21,900.00. The Village's \$21,743.00 obligation, business owners owe \$23,391.00 and CDBG (the state ) comes to \$42,054.00. We have received from the state \$20,100.00.

The ICE Grant- everything is all lined up ready to go just waiting for the village to approve the resolution for the share bonds for its match to the grant. The grant committee recommends to council to approve the resolution for the share bonds and since the money was not budgeted for the share bond

payments, to have the water/sewer committee meet and figure out how payments will be made. All ayes for the recommendation.

Ordinance-Jeanette Schultz questioned what was happening with the property at 220 Round Lake, is there still a violation pending and has there been a civil infraction issued. No civil infraction has been issued. Clerk to check for old photos.

Mark Jorgensen moved for the Planning Commission/Ordinance Committee to have a joint meeting on possible ordinance amendment on differences between residential and commercial in zoning and ordinances, seconded by Abe French, all ayes.

#### **7. DPW Report**

ICE Grant-report above

Façade Grant-letter of recommendation from Wilcox to pay the amount of \$8,193.24 to V&H for them to clear their lien from Big L Corporation. Garry Patrick moved to pay the \$8,193.24 to clear lien from the 20,100.00 received this week from the state. Seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

A new tractor is needed for the lagoons and road sides. Monte presented two bids-Maple Valley Implement for \$28,957.00 and Bader & Sons Co. at \$21,930.25. Mark Jorgensen moved to purchase the tractor from Bader & Sons Co. for 21,930.25, not to order until 2010 but take at least 11,000.00 from 2009 budget and the rest from 2010 budget. Seconded by Jason Sheridan, ayes 6 and nays Jeanette Schultz.

#### **8. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards**

Planning Commission minutes for 11-10-09

Jason Sheridan stated he will bring the planning commission's recommendation to approve the rezoning of 122 Round Lake to the January meeting.

#### **9. Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator**

Building Referrals

#### **10. President-Clerk-Treasurer Report**

Clerk-Budget amendments for 2009 budget were presented for approval, moved by Mark Jorgensen to approve, seconded by Sue Villanueva, all ayes.

Clerk asked that bills received since 11-27<sup>th</sup> be approved for payment from this year's budget. Not approved.

Treasurer would like to close Sewer Bond and Interest account and close 2003 Series Construction account and moved balance to Debt Service 2003

Open two new accounts ICE 2009 Series Construction and one Debt Service

Received money from state for Façade Grant

Purchase CD from 2003 Series Debt Service for 40,000.00

Purchase CD from Water Receiving 20,000.00

Jeanette Schultz moved to approve the treasurer's recommendations, seconded by Abe French, all ayes.

#### **11. Unfinished Business**

2010 Budget -Sue Villanueva moved to approve the recommendation from the public hearing to adopt the 2010 proposed budget, Mark Jorgensen seconded by the motion, all ayes.

Set water/sewer rates for 2010 by Resolutions-Jason Sheridan moved to approve the recommendation from the public hearing to adopt the Resolutions for both water and sewer to establish rates for 2010. Motion seconded by Abe French, all ayes.

Bond resolution for Ice Grant-Jason Sheridan moved to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Village Share Bonds, seconded by Abe French, all ayes.

#### **12. New Business**

#### **13. Public Comment**

Garry Patrick asked if there was a building referral for 372 S Main -informed no.

#### **14. Adjournment**

Mark Jorgensen moved to adjourn, seconded by Garry Patrick, all ayes.

Adjourned at 9:29pm

Shirley Harmon-Village Clerk  
12/9/2009 8:47 AM