

**VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
AUGUST 7, 2008**

1. Call to order 7:00pm

2. Roll call –Garry Patrick, Jason Sheridan, Tom Williams, Sue Villanueva, Mark Jorgensen and Doug Kelsey. Also present were, Kay Marsh, Shirley Harmon, Monte O'Dell, Diane Patrick, Amy Jo Parish and Lee Joppie.
Absent was Abe French

3. Pledge to flag

Special Guest- Brady Harrington, County Drain Commissioner -not here yet

4. Public Comment

Lee Joppie questioned whether the letter had been sent yet to 236 W Main. It has and the resident has 10 days.

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. 7-10-08
- B. Treasurer's report for July
- C. Bills for approval- 7-11-08 thru 8-7-08

Sheridan moved to approve the consent agenda items, seconded by Patrick, all ayes.

6. Reports from Council Committees

Streets Drains & Sidewalks- Storm water Ordinance / step by American Legion / signs for parking lot and parking in Right of way – no meeting yet
Ordinance Committee- ordinance violations were done earlier this week and notices were sent by clerk.

*Brady Harrington entered the meeting at 7:08pm. Discussion of the McLaughlin Drain proceeded. A total rebuild would cost over one million and for a ¼ mile fix (flat ditch) around \$50,000.00. The county can't bond out for the project but they could borrow for up to 3 years. He will get together with the Streets, Drains and Sidewalks committee again soon.

Business Task Force-meeting July 16th – Mr. Miller from Miller's Photographic will be taking over the meetings.

Technologies Committee-nothing to report

Grants-Monte will address

Fire Board-will be doing an evaluation of the Chief soon.

Budget Committee -2009 Budget meeting August 26th at 7pm

Building and Grounds-nothing

NEED MEETINGS FOR BUDGET 2009 by 26th — Emp. Wage 8-13th at 7:30pm

7. DPW Report

One new swing is in and now Monte will get another one for the Eaton County grant that the village was approved to get.

Monte and Shirley have been working on the paperwork for the FEMA money for the storm damage on June 6th thru the 13th. Along with this Monte presented "Procedures for Dealing with Severe Storm Damages" a document outlining the steps that the village would take to deal with storm damages and this would help expedite getting money back. Villanueva moved to approve the document, seconded by Williams, all ayes.

The digital records that we have commission Wilcox Professionals to create are coming along.

The first copy had a few mistakes so they are correcting them now.

Council stated that they have received compliments on the picnic tables in the walkthrough after the summer fest/Car show. Next summer will leave a table in the walkthrough for the whole summer .

*Mike Hosey, Eaton County Commissioner , entered the meeting at 7:35pm and gave a report that the county have settled their budget and ther e will be no increase this year and that the 4H fair has not been cut.

8. Report from Planning and Zoning Board s

REMINDER-NEED PROJECTED BUDGETS FOR 2009 BY SEPTEMBER 1 8TH

Nothing to report

9. Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator

Building referrals - report handed out

Ordinance violations- chart handed out – letters have been sent

10. President-Clerk-Treasurer Report

President –nothing

Clerk-nothing

Treasurer reported that the CD has been cashed in General and the money loaned to General from Water (12,830.85) will be paid back the first of next week.

11. Unfinished Business

Petitions due by August 12th at 4pm

12. New Business

Mail- MML membership dues and pamphlet came, \$822.00 for the next year.

September is National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month -Proclamation was read by Doug Kelsey and put forth for approval, seconded by Jorgensen, all ayes.

Grant paperwork for a new grant received from USDA but it is for 15% grant village 85% and needs to be in by August 12th, so the village won't apply for this one.

13. Public Comment

None

14. Adjournment

Sheridan moved to approve adjournment, seconded by Villanueva, all ayes.

Adjourned at 7:57pm

Shirley Harmon
Village Clerk