

**VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 1, 2007**

1. Call to order- 7:03pm

2. Roll call- Mark Jorgensen, Jason Sheridan, Tom Williams, Beverly Sue Villanueva and Doug Kelsey - President. Kay Marsh, Treasurer and Clerk Shirley Harmon were also present. Audience-Julie Reinke from Eaton County District Court, Sandy Ponsetto and Monte O 'Dell.

3. Pledge to flag

4. Public Comment

Julie Reinke was present for Domestic Violence Awareness Month -October 2007.

Villanueva moved to go into the Public Hearing session, seconded by Jorgensen.

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Village Council of the Village of Vermontville will hold a public hearing on November 1, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at the Vermontville Village Hall, 121 Eastside Drive, within the Village, on an increase of .05 cents each per thousand usage in water and sewer rates. All comments are to be made in person or written and mailed to office, PO Box K, Vermontville MI 49096, up to the time of the public hearing. This increase reflects the increase in operation costs projected in the 2008 budget.

Villanueva moved to recommend approval of the two resolutions, water rates and sewer rates. Seconded by Sheridan, all ayes.

Jorgensen moved to return to regular session, seconded by Williams, all ayes.

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. 10-4-07 and Council of the Whole 10-30-07

B. Treasurer's report for October

C. Bills for approval 10-5-07 thru 11-1-07

Motion to approve consent agenda items as presented by Jorgensen

Seconded by Williams. Vote 6 ayes 0 nays.

6. Reports from Council Committees

Technology Committee-

Millennium Digital agreement –no report

IT not done yet –work is done now need agreement

Ordinance- ride around done 10-24-07

Sheridan brought up possible need of regulations on Outside Wood Burners-will handle if a problem arises.

Garry Patrick entered meeting at 7:30pm.

7. DPW Report

Payment request number 4 presented for payment. Jorgensen moved to make payment in the amount of \$40,122.28. Seconded by Villanueva, all ayes.

8. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

None

9. Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator

Building referrals report

10. Unfinished Business

Water/Sewer rates resolutions from Public Hearing -Sheridan moved to accept the recommendation from the Public Hearing to approve the Resolutions setting the rates for Water and Sewer for 2008. Seconded by Patrick, all ayes.

The swing-set has been ordered and should arrive soon. It was ordered out of this year 's B&G Capital Outlay. Council agreed that it would be dedicated in Jim Samann 's memory.

The Assessor hunt is continuing, RFPs have been sent out and at the meeting set for 11 -7-07 the committee will be going over them.

Trunk n Treat went very well even with the rain. The Lion 's Club served 300 hot dogs. The winners of best decorated trunks was Loni Wright 1st , Kate Rumsey 2nd and Deb Cook 3rd .

11. New Business

Mail- training, letter from MCM with insurance carrier change, and engagement letter from Walker, Fluke & Sheldon for the audit.

Copies of proposed Budget 2008 were handed out.

Schedule of Fees- review sent to the ZBA to review

Appointment of new Council Trustee - Doug Kelsey would like to appoint Abe French to the vacant Trustee position until the next election. Williams moved to appoint, seconded by Villanueva, all ayes.

12. Public Comment

Doug reported that the Grant committee met with the merchants and Tom Durkee from the state for the Façade Grant. The Architect has met with the merchants and will render his drawings soon.

13. Adjournment

Jorgensen moved to adjourn, seconded by Sheridan, all ayes.

Adjourned at 8pm

Shirley Harmon
Village Clerk