

**VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
DECEMBER 6, 2007**

1. Call to order- 7pm

2. Roll call- Mark Jorgensen, Garry Patrick, Jason Sheridan, Tom Williams, and Doug Kelsey -President. Kay Marsh, Treasurer and Clerk Shirley Harmon were also present. A udience- Monte O'Dell and Sandy Ponsetto.

Absent- Abe French, Beverly Sue Villanueva

3. Pledge to flag

4. Public Comment

Items added to agenda.

Sheridan moved to go into Budget Public Hearing, seconded by Patrick, all ayes.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing has been scheduled for December 6, 2007 at the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Village Office, for the purpose of discussing adoption of the 2008 Budget. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection in the Clerk's Office at 121 Eastside Drive or at the Village Garage at 134 Westside Drive.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

Public comments, either oral or written, are welcome at the Public Hear ing. Handicapped persons needing assistance or aid should contact the Village Office during regular working hours forty eight hours prior to the meeting.

No comment on 2008 Budget presented. Moved to recommend approval of proposed 2008 Budget at the reg ular council meeting by Sheridan, seconded by Jorgensen, all ayes. . Moved to close Public Hearing and go into regular session by Sheridan, 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. 11-1-07 and Public Hearing 10-5-07

B. Treasurer's report for November

C. Bills for approval 11-2-07 thru 12-6-07

Motion to approve consent agenda items as presented by Williams

Seconded by Jorgensen- vote 5 ayes 0 nays 2 absent.

6. Reports from Council Committees

Technology Committee-

Millennium Digital agreement –Broadstripe- IT Technique- clerk hasn't heard anything from either company, Patrick to check into.

Ordinance-nothing to report

Assessor Committee- Marsh reported that the firm Land Mark from Flint has been hired to do the total reassessment of properties within the Township. Also, the decision to hire Jeff Wiman of Ithaca to be the new Township Assessor beginning January 1, 2008.

Williams moved to present the Township with a Resolution requesting that the alternate for the Board of Review be a Village of Vermontville resident, Sheridan seconded, all ayes.

7. DPW Report

First water main break of the season occurred Tuesday. Pat rick asked about the feasibility of replacing the old 4" main down by the elevator, Monte to check pricing and report back to water committee . Dan Rose is working on the Façade Grant application.

Monte and Shirley attended class given by auditors on new requirements on auditing.

8. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

Schedule of Fees- review-no one present to give report.

Nothing new with Planning Commission.

New corrected Zoning maps are in.

9. Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator

Building referrals report-no new ones

10. Unfinished Business

BUDGET –

New budget adoption – Williams moved to approve the recommendation from the Budget Public Hearing to adopt the 2008 proposed Budget. Seconded by Patrick, 5 ayes and 2 absent.

Amendments for current 2007 budget presented by clerk. SEWER: The sewer account needs an amendment in the amount of \$22,000.00 from fund balances. MAJOR: The major account needs an amendment in the amount of \$42,000.00 from fund balances. LOCAL: Local does not need amending. WATER: Water does not need amending. GENERAL: The General account needs amending by - 101-700 Council \$21,000.00, 253-700 Treasurer \$900.00, 301-700 Police \$1,500.00, 405-700 Zone Officer \$900.00, 448-700 Street Lights \$4,200.00 from fund balances. After some discussion it was moved by Jorgensen to approve the amendments needed, seconded by Williams, all ayes.

Next year’s meeting dates presented for approval.

MEETING DATES 2008 and 2009 FOR VERMONTVILLE VILLAGE COUNCIL

November 1, 2007	December 6, 2007
@January 10, 2008	February 7, 2008
March 6, 2008	April 3, 2008
May 8, 2008	June 5, 2008
@July 10, 2008	August 7, 2008
@September 11, 2008	October 2, 2008
November 6, 2008	December 4, 2008
@January 8, 2009	February 5, 2009
March 5, 2009	April 2, 2009
May 7, 2009	June 4, 2009
July 2, 2009	August 6, 2009
September 3, 2009	@October 8, 2009
November 5, 2009	December 3, 2009
January 7, 2010	

@this meeting date has been changed because of proximity to the first of the month

Jorgensen moved to approve the presented dates with the change of May 2008 from the first to the eighth. Seconded by Sheridan, all ayes.

11. New Business

Mail- Michigan Back Roads web site invoice for one or two year plan presented, after discussion tabled until next month, to give council members time to check the web site.

Training from MML presented, Clerk to go on Feb. 6th for Restoring Michigan Communities and President to go to Elected Officials Academy Advanced Weekender on Feb. 29th -March 1st.

Resolution to change the name of the Michigan Magnetics Industrial District I to Industrial District I, was presented by Kelsey. Moved to approve by Patrick, seconded by Jorgensen, all ayes.

Kelsey presented a copy of the letter to be sent to the business that is inte rested in going into the old Michigan Magnetics building. Council questioned the effect on residents, Kelsey assured them that all things were being checked into, MDEC, traffic flows, environmental and economical.

Bills for December 7th were presented by clerk for approval. Patrick moved to approve, seconded by Williams, all ayes.

12. Public Comment

Patrick would like to encourage everyone to purchase locally for our businesses sakes.

13. Adjournment

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

Adjourned at 8:30pm

Shirley Harmon
Clerk