

**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2005**

1. Call to order – 7:00pm

2. Roll call- Present were Don Martin, Garry Patrick, Jim Samann, Tom Williams, Sue Villanueva and Doug Kelsey-President. Kay Marsh, Treasurer and Clerk Shirley Harmon were also present. Audience Pat and Cleo Prescott, Laura Berry, Lee Joppie, Mark Jorgensen, Wilbur Marsh, Greg Wendorf, Virginia and Sherm Scott Sr., Don and Shirley Lewis, Sherm Scott Jr., Sandy Ponsetto, Norm Porter (Leadership teacher from Maple Valley), Esther Martin, Dan Rose, Brad Holton, Larry Kenyon, Marion Alexander, Steve Gardner and Dave Hulsebos of C&D Hughes Construction, Monte O'Dell and Terry Samann.

3. Pledge to flag

Charlie Viele entered meeting at 7:04pm

4. Public Comment

Pat Prescott present to complain about the Readiness to Serve charge on water and sewer and the Winter Charge being illegal. Doug referred to the Water and Sewer Committee, meeting to be held 9-26-05 at 7pm.

Norm Porter stated that he understood that with the construction coming up the Homecoming Parade would have to stay with Nashville this year but next year it would be held in Vermontville.

Lee Joppie expressed concerns of 5th wheels and travel trailers coming into town and staying and not paying for the use of sewer and water. Also, concerned if the sewer and water was legally installed and Paid for (2 sewer hookups and water bypass of meter)

Sherm Scott Sr. stated that winter charge is to high for as long as it takes to turn on and off water. Also, not fair to charge basic fee when the water is shut off to home.

Sherm Scott Jr. questioned when Spring Street would be paved since it was in the budget? Doug clarified that it was not in this year's budget but would be looked at for future budgets.

Don Lewis asked if Council could contact the owners of the apartments on Spring Street and request a fence be installed between them and Lewis's house. Kay will give Don the address to the owners and he can write them first.

Greg Wendorf inquired if the Hazardous Waste Collection had been done, since he had many calls on it? Clerk informed him that it was held on 9-9-05 at the County Garage and that it was by appointment only. Lisa from Eaton County said that they had 60 appointments scheduled. (higher than average turnout)

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 – August 4th
- B. Treasurer's report for August
- C. Bills for approval

**Motion to approve consent agenda items as presented.*

Motion to approve Garry Patrick, 2nd by Sue Villanueva

Vote all ayes with the exception of the minutes, Tom Williams abstained.

6. Reports from Council Committees

Ordinance committee meeting 8-10-05 - none

B&G committee meeting 8-29-05 (bathroom deposit) – Sue Villanueva moved to meet with the Ball League and see what happened and what can be done in the future, 2nd by Don Martin. All ayes.

Sue Villanueva moved to put the demolition of 171 S Main building up for bids, ad in paper for the 20th and bids received by 9-27-05 at 1pm. Seconded by Charlie Viele, all ayes.

7. DPW Report

VFD installed and working

8. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

Minutes from 8-9-05 meeting and Agenda for 9-13-05

Marion Alexander stated that Williams and Works is going to do some aerial maps of the village and that Eaton County needed permission to release any information to W&W that they might need. Charlie Viele moved to allow Eaton County to release any information to W&W that they might need. 2nd by Tom

Williams, all ayes.

ZBA meeting 8-11-05 - Mark Jorgensen reported on the ZBA meeting, the variance requested by Steve Pitchford at 159 W Second was granted, with stipulations. Mark also requested the council to refund the Pitchford's their zoning variance fee of \$230.00. Garry Patrick moved to refund the fee, 2nd by Jim Samann. All ayes.

Doug stated that Marion is trying to get a meeting set up between the Planning Commission, Council, ZBA Board and Williams & Works to start working on the changes needed in the Zoning Ordinance.

9. Ordinance Enforcement Officer/Zoning Administrator

August reports – no oral report

10. Unfinished Business

Water Ordinance re-write 05-09 presented for review for October meeting approval

Three Grant work options presented- need motion to approve
Dan Rose answered any questions the council had.

Alternative 3 - YES. Moved by Don Martin to go with Alternative 3 for the Grant Project, 2nd by Jim Samann. Roll call vote AYES – Charlie Viele, Jim Samann, Sue Villanueva, Garry Patrick, Don Martin, Tom Williams and Doug Kelsey. NAYS – 0

Sue Villanueva moved to award the construction contract for the Grant Project to C & D Hughes for the cost of \$843,658.05, 2nd by Tom Williams. Roll call vote AYES- Charlie Viele, Jim Samann, Sue Villanueva, Don Martin, Tom Williams and Doug Kelsey. NAYS – 0 And one abstention Garry Patrick.

11. New Business

Mail- thank you from Shirley Harmon, PHP insurance increase, Eaton County Hospice thank you, letter from resident at 508 S Main to change their address to general delivery, FOIA request from Lee Joppie of water account at 172 Sherman, engagement letter from Walker Fluke and Sheldon for compilations, letter from Tina Houchlei for holding a Trunk or Treat on 10-31-05 from 4:30 to 7:30pm in the park area, Potterville is updating their Master Plan and inviting input.

Sue Villanueva moved to allow Tina Houchlei to organize a Trunk or Treat for Halloween, 2nd Tom Williams. all ayes.

Change order for Wilcox

Motion to approve by Jim Samann, 2nd by Sue Villanueva. Roll call vote AYES – Charlie Viele, Jim Samann, Sue Villanueva, Don Martin, Garry Patrick, Tom Williams and Doug Kelsey. NAYS – 0

Eatran Resolution for 25 years recognition Jim Samann moved to table.

Need to set up Budget workshops – streets first, then sewer/water, then general
Date and time – 9-28-05 at 6:30pm

Jim Samann moved to put the Audit out to bids, 2nd by Don Martin. All ayes.

12. Public Comment

13. Adjournment – moved by Don Martin, 2nd by Sue Villanueva

Adjourned at 8:35pm

Doug Kelsey-President

Shirley Harmon-Clerk