

**Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Vermontville Community Center
March 12, 2020**

- I. Called to Order at 7 PM
- II. Roll Call: PRESENT: Ira Flowers, Gary Goris, Sandy Hosey, Kimberlee Kenyon, Sue Villanueva, Jason Sheridan. Also Present: DPW Supervisor Chris Rumsey, Treasurer Jody Franklin and Clerk Kathy Joppie. Absent: Becky Austin.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Public Comment
 - a. Questions re: Court process in regarding to Ordinance violations
 - b. Request to hold Syrup Festival 5K
- V. Consent Agenda Items

ALL ITEMS 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 – February 13, 2020, Special Meetings of February 28 and March 3, 2020 & Personnel Committee Minutes of January 20 & February 17, 2020, Closed Session Minutes of January 16, 2020
- B. Bills for Approval – February 14, 2020 to March 12, 2020
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Two Months Ended February 29, 2020
- D. Treasurer Report

President Sheridan requested that the March 3, 2020 Minutes be pulled for discussion. All Ayes.

President Sheridan "All Those things on the Consent Agenda items minus the March 3, 2020 minutes. All those in favor say Aye." All Ayes. Motion Carries.

President Sheridan moved to accept the March 3, 2020 minutes as presented. Councilmember Villanueva supported. All ayes.

- VI. Reports from Council Committees
 - A. Insurance/Legal/Finance – Nothing to Update
 - B. Water & Sewer –Working through new software.
 - C. Grants – Sandy working on Tree Grants. Upfront payout but 100% funded. Tri County grant will be resubmitted in April.

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- D. Ordinance – Jason gave report. Request to call another Committee meeting soon.
- E. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks – Will be meeting after Festival.
- F. Fire – Kim. Discussion was on pros and cons of new Radios.
- G. Buildings & Grounds – Nothing to Update.
- H. Technology – Ira Updated progress being made to new cable company. It is still in progress. A tv will be purchased for the office for news and local information that can scroll for residents to see when they come into office. New printer for the office will be purchased soon.
- I. Health & Safety – Sue is calling a meeting before syrup festival with Chris & Steve.
 - a. Police Stats – Eaton County Sheriffs Office. No longer finger printing until virus is mitigated. The speed sign was installed on East Main this week.
- J. Personnel – Will be looking a meeting to go over testing of applicants for Deputy Clerk position.

Councilmember Hosey moved to let Personnel Committee look at and grade the tests with the clerk. Councilmember Flowers supported. All Ayes.

Councilmember Flowers moved to pay Jody Franklin (Treasurer) the current Utility Clerk's rate of pay when performing Utility Billing Clerk duties. Councilmember Kenyon supported. All Ayes.

- VII. DPW Report –
 - a. The Drop Box at CASE Credit Union will be removed April 1.
 - b. Clean up day – Chris will pick a day before Syrup Festival on a Saturday from 9-2 pm.

Councilmember Villanueva moved to have the cleanup day on April 4, spending up to \$2000 if date works for Chris and hold even if no festival. Councilmember Hosey supported. All Ayes.

Councilmember Villanueva motioned to purchase a hot water pressure washer for the well houses, lift stations and other areas with a not to exceed \$4000. Councilmember Hosey supported. All Ayes. This will be Capital Outlay

VIII. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards – Map has been updated by Fleis & Vandenbrink. There are a couple corrections to that map and then finalizing. Working on the MEDC engagement beginning with a Downtown Corridor Plan.

IX. President Report – Rob Cook asked for a signature re: Lot line stating we do not receive monies from FSA program. Jason signed.

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President Sheridan went over Committee rules. Only council members can be on committees and vote. Therefore, anyone not a trustee has been removed. It is under the jurisdiction of each committee chair to request the attendance of an employee at their meetings if they so desire.

X. Old Business – Nothing

XI. New Business – Letter was read from Seventh Day Adventist group requesting acknowledgment to come into the Village May 29 – August 5.

Councilmember Kenyon moved to discuss. Councilmember Goris supported. All Ayes. Councilmember Kenyon moved to go into Public Comment. Councilmember Hosey supported. All Ayes.

Councilmember Goris moved to "Take No Action", Councilmember Villanueva supported. Yay: Flowers, Goris, Hosey, Villanueva, Sheridan. Nay: Kenyon.

Councilmember Hosey moved to pay Village employees on Thursday, April 9, if banks are closed on Good Friday. Councilmember Kenyon supported. All Ayes.

Councilmember Villanueva moved to allow wrestlers to park on ballfield. Councilmember Hosey supported. All Ayes.

Councilmember Hosey moved to allow the Syrup Festival 5K. Councilmember Kenyon supported. All Ayes.

XII. Public Comment

XIII. Adjournment

Councilmember Villanueva moved to adjourn. Councilmember Goris supported. All Ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM

***Submitted by:
Kathy Joppie, Clerk***