

VILLAGE OF HESPERIA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 13, 2012

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Call to Order: President J.R. Derks called this Regular Village Council Meeting to order at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call taken with a quorum noted.

Members Present: JR Derks Clyde Crawford Jacob Hornbrook
Doris DeLong Joyce McDonald Lou Nemastil
Jim Smith

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Liz Johnson Jim Johnson Michelle Bieri Gerald Perysian
Bonnie Robinson Scott Fessenden David Huntley

Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Motion by Nemastil / Seconded by Crawford (motion carried)

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 9, 2012 as written. All were in favor.

Adopt the agenda:

Motion by DeLong / Seconded by Hornbrook

(motion carried)

Motion was made to adopt the agenda as amended to add Consumers Power under Old Business.

Correspondence: JR Derks discussed whether to hire Rich Blachford for awhile yet. Also he talked about the Michigan Municipal League conference being held in March 2012 and the schooling for the Police Chief.

Lou commented that the Chicago Theatre was doing a play about Hesperia.

Approval to pay monthly invoices:

Motion by Nemastil / Seconded by DeLong

Motion was made to approve the monthly invoices for January 2012 in the amount of \$21,658.24 less the \$671.50 from Newaygo County Sheriff.

After some discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Motion by Nemastil / Seconded by DeLong (motion carried)

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Public comments:

Liz Johnson from Fanna's Mercantile had some questions on her neighbor's wood burning stove: Is there a permit to be filed for this stove if so, by whom was the permit issued; is the chimney to be a certain height, how close to the property line should the stove be?

David Huntley 505 E. Michigan is a new resident to the Village. He stated that the river front appearance is in sad shape and also wondered if there was any grant monies to fix up the store fronts in town? He asked if there was any ordinance about fencing.

Committee Reports:

Ambulance: None

Streets, Sidewalks & Equipment: Spoke to owner of “Unique Beauty Shop” about the step curb in front of the entrance to the salon and also about the location of the handicap signage on the South east side of Michigan Ave. Snow Removal policy is ready for approval. Equipment Sale items that do not receive bids will be sold for no less than scrap value at current scrap rate. Fuel Cards should be in use by all departments.

Finance Budget & Insurance: Itemize all reoccurring bills for payment Per Resolution #2008-03. 2013 Budget must be completed by March 31, 2012 all Village Departments (Police, DPW, & Committee Chairs) must submit to the Village Clerk a Budgetary list for the 2013 fiscal year.

Technology, Ordinance, Civic, Website & Newsletter:
Working on scheduling/posting public meeting to codify revised Code of Ordinance. Receiving quotes to develop and host the new Village WEB site.

Village Hall & Lighting: No report

Grants, Fundraising, Chamber-Interact: Checking into grants for Store Fronts and improvements for Business District.

Cable T.V.: No report

Dams, Parks, & Recreation: No report

Personnel & Salary: No report

Water & Sewer: No report

Police report: Chief Dalton Schaffer reported his department processed 37 complaints and 33 property checks. He stated that last months fatal accident report was completed and turned over to the prosecutor’s office and he would like 2 new part-time patrolmen.

DPW report: DPW Supervisor Ken Ward said they would be using the Parks fund for cleaning up the water front property. A list of all street lights that are out have been sent to Consumers Power for repair. The rest of the water project will be starting soon. Signs will be put up soon with the schedules for flushing water mains and hydrants. Also some signs are being repaired and more signs will be budgeted for the next fiscal year.

Zoning/Planning: Dale Gibbs reported he had 2 zoning & ordinance meetings, issued 2 zoning permits, 1 site plan review, 2 zoning ordinance complaints and 3 requests for zoning ordinance information.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Hornbrook / Seconded by Crawford (motion carried)

Motion was made to accept the ADA sealed bid for approved Signage, Parking markings/accommodations for Handicap accessibility from Ravenna Sealcoating of Fremont in the amount of \$941.84.

Motion by DeLong / Seconded by Nemastil (motion carried)

Motion was made to accept the sealed bid for the Snapper Mower & Attachments in the amount of \$527.00 from Paul Wilson.

Motion by McDonald / Seconded by Hornbrook (motion carried)

Motion was made to accept the sealed bid for the 1995 Ford Pickup in the amount of \$500.00 from Scott DeLong. Doris DeLong abstained

Motion by McDonald / Seconded by Hornbrook (motion carried)

Motion was made to accept the sealed bid for the Flag Pole in the amount of \$27.50 from Daniel Cousineau.

Motion by Crawford / Seconded by Nemastil (motion carried)

Motion was made to use the Resolution right-away for Consumers Power Company as recommended by our Village Attorney Doug Hughes.

New Business:

Motion by McDonald / Seconded by DeLong (motion carried)

Motion was made to advertise for bids for a Village Auditor to do the Village Audit and per other specifications required for a 3 year contract.

Motion by Derks / Seconded by McDonald (motion carried)

Motion was made to add Village Clerk Patrecia Grossenbacher's name to all Shelby Bank records.

Motion by Crawford / Seconded by McDonald (motion carried)

Motion was made to go on record as opposing a liquor license that could be given to the Dollar General Store in the Village of Hesperia.

Adjournment:

Motion by Nemastil / Seconded by McDonald (motion carried)

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrecia E. Grossenbacher
Village Clerk

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