

Approved 10-12-15

VILLAGE OF HONOR

MINUTES FOR September 14, 2015

The regular Village of Honor meeting was called to order by President Dennis Rodzik @ 6:00p.m. on September 14, 2015.

A. Pledge of Allegiance led by Rodzik

B . Roll call conducted by Village Clerk, Laura Ward, Trustees present: Rick Fast, Kathy McManus, Bill Ward, Joe Schettek and President Rodzik. Treasurer Deb Schaub present.

C. Guests recognized: Doug Corner, Bruce Wilde, Pat Delorme, Yvonne & Greg Mead, Deb Reed, Pat Vertucci, Adele Maher, Mike Bailey, Jeffie Lynch-Jones, Bob & Shirley Short, Bess Butler, Marty & Nan Lickteig

I. Approval of Agenda: Schettek requests item G. Village lights update by LW/clerk be removed-clerk not allowed on agenda per Rodzik, may speak at Public Input. Ward adds attorney communication reports to Correspondence. Ward moves to approve amended agenda, second by Schettek, agenda approved 5/0.

II. Approval of minutes from 8/10/15. McManus motions to approve, second by Ward, approval of 8/10 minutes passes 5/0.

III. Presentations: None.

IV. Public Input: D. Reed asks about streetlights.

V. Treasurers Report: Schaub ask for transfers from Sewer receiving in the amounts of: \$40,000.00 to Bond Redemption to cover sewer loan payments for October and December and \$30,000.00 to O & M to cover sewer operating expenses. Rodzik moves to approve transfer funds, second by Schettek-roll call vote-motion passes 5/0. Rodzik motions to accept treasures report, second by Schettek, motion to accept report passes 5/0.

VI. Old Business:

A. F.O.I.A. Policy/officer appointment-Ward speaks to the 3 parts of the FOIA policy required and his collaboration with the Village attorney regarding vetted forms for the Village to use. Discussion regarding the hourly rate to use-the lowest hourly rate-\$10.75. Ward motions to approve FOIA documents for Village, second by Fast. Motion passes 5/0.

B. Revised Personnel policy-Fast speaks to approving the medical benefit subsidy to full time employees with the addition of employee providing proof of insurance to the Village by April 15th. Rodzik and Fast discuss revisions and question full-time hours.

Fast addresses weapons policy addition. Ward reads letter from Village attorney who indicated no firm conclusion to lead to a definite answer regarding the President being considered a "Peace Officer" and the legality of a local government restricting members from carrying a firearm. Fast clarified that Rodzik requested Ward to call our Attorney. Rodzik states that Grier wanted Ward to call and comments on a 1920 State Attorney General opinion. Ward makes note that Grier stated there was a ruling since then that disputes it. Fast motions to insert weapons and firearms policy into the Personnel Policy. Ward moves that Rodzik does not carry a firearm until the issue is legally resolved, second by Fast. Motion carries 3/2 that Rodzik does not carry a firearm until the matter is resolved. Clerk requests clarification on the motion and its appearance in the Personnel Policy. Rodzik notes that he is not a Village employee, but an elected official so the policy doesn't apply to him. There were no clear motions to accept the inserted revisions, including the medical benefit subsidy into the personnel policy.

C. Computer usage & access-Fast speaks to lack of access to Rodziks computer- Rodzik says to "take me to court."

D. Village Email-Ward makes motion to have Rodziks name removed from the Village email profile, second by Fast- Rodzik says "take me to court." Motion passes 3/2.

E. Sewer Committee-Ward asks Rodzik if he has a decision on whether a non-resident can be on the sewer committee (item carried over from Aug.mgt.). Rodzik says he will look into it a little further. Rodzik speaks to the fact that only the president can make a committee appointment, there is already two people on the committee-he says "Joe and I are on the sewer committee." Fast notes that Rodzik is no longer on that committee.

F. Sewer loan update-Rodzik asks Fast for an update. Fast reiterates that he would not ask the bank officer to come into any of the meetings.

VII. New Business

A. Northern A-1 test results-Rodzik notes 3 items that exceed limits: Cadmium, Mercury and "Barlum." Notes that it was fortunate that the line was plugged. Discussion ensues when Ward asks where this information is coming from. Confusion over the word Barium and Barlum. Ward asks again what page Rodzik is referring to. Ward asks Rodzik what his point is and points out that none of this has to do with the hydraulic leak. Rodzik and Ward discusses the hydraulic leak, reason of call to DEQ, etc.

B. Planning Commission meetings-Ward motions that the Planning Commission meetings be extended to monthly meetings due to the current work load, second by Fast. Rodzik questions where the money to pay for them would come from. States that

the budget did not include monthly meetings, disagreement from Ward and Fast. Roll call vote-5/0, monthly meetings for PC is approved.

C. Waste hauler billing-Fast brings up Decker and Getting's bills and inaccurate late notes on the invoice.

VIII. Reports:

Maintenance/Street administrator-Doug Durkee was not present but report was submitted-Rodzic speaks to 2 pronged heater "taken out by MIOSHA," Doug's testimony in court that the two heaters were 3 pronged.

Zoning Administrator/Planning Commission- Ward speaks to the amount of work ahead necessary to comply with Benzie County.

Park Committee- Ward speaks to the park being well maintained and a dead tree that needs to be removed.

Sewer Committee-N/A

Budget Committee-No changes per Fast.

Attorney communication report-already covered, no additional reports submitted by Council other than the two submitted by Ward.

Ordinance officer report-Schettek speaks to one zoning and two blight issues currently. Cedar Street person does have a right to store a boat. Council questions why no written report.

IX. Bills/Checks-Ward speaks to TC Hazmat participation invoice. Ward motions to pay bill, second by McManus. Roll call vote: Fast-aye, McManus-aye, Ward-aye, Schettek-nay, Rodzik-nay. 3/2 to pay TC Hazmat. Ward brings up A1 bill, attempts to discuss moves to pay, second by Rodzik-Roll call -Fast-nay, McManus-aye, Ward-aye, Schettek-aye, Rodzik-aye-4/1 to pay passes. Rodzik moves to pay bills and checks as presented, second by Ward-roll call vote-Fast-aye, McManus-aye, Ward-aye, Schettek-nay, Rodzik-aye. Motion to pay as presented passes 4/1.

X. Amendments-N/A

XI. General discussion- Clerk speaks to the streetlight update after contentious discussion on where she could speak. Rodzik speaks to the lawsuit he filed in 85th district court regarding his pay. States that this is only the first in a series of lawsuits against the Village.

XII. Public Input-D.Corner speaks to the lack of common sense displayed by President regarding his firearm and the computer access issue. A.Maher reads bible proverb. J.Lynch Jones suggests a way for Council to review and update Village policies.

XIII. Correspondence-Attorney letters received by Ward already covered.

XIV. Adjourn-Fast moves to adjourn, second by Ward- 5/0 motion carries to adjourn at 6:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Ward, Clerk 9/21/15
