

Council Minutes
April 1, 2009

Meeting called to order at 6:30 followed by the pledge.

Attendance John Boroff, Kristina Boroff, April Grunden, Janice Clay, Terry Seibert, Mike Bowling, Peter Van Arsdel, Sara Busacca, Kevin Nuding, Lisa Dorsten, Randy Severns, Gary Van Gundy, Kathy Frank, and Marilyn Rhulen.

Marilyn and Kathy were present to ask about the alley behind their homes on Main Street. It seems that a neighbor is blocking the alley with their vehicles. They are also tearing up the alley and some stone may need to be added. A letter will be sent to 317 S. Main Street.

Minutes:

There was a motion by April with a second by Terry to waive the reading of the February minutes, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a motion by Mike with a second by John to accept the February minutes, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea.

Police:

There was a motion by John with a second by Terry to approve the police report, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea.

Street Commissioner:

Greg Lawrence will be taking over as Street Commissioner for the village beginning in April. Randy will continue on as Cemetery Sexton. Randy and Greg borrowed a box grater from Bennie Young and used it on several places in the village. It would save the village money to have a grater of our own. It can be used on the alleys in place of scarifying. We usually spent \$1500 to scarify the alleys. A box grater from TSC is \$599.00. The Brush collection is in need of being cleaned up. Bennie Young gave us a quote for a day of cleaning up the brush collection with his bull dozer, \$450.00. A storm sewer line on Walnut Street has collapsed. They will be doing some work on this area. It is time for street sweeping again, Shadrach will do all of Main street for \$450.00, the village doesn't have the right equipment to do this job. Randy has ordered the mosquito spray for the summer. He got a new brand this year that is better than the old one, but he was able to get it for the same cost. There was some discussion about the availability of funds for the needed equipment and services. There was a motion by Terry with a second by Janice to have Bennie Young clean the brush collection for one day at a cost of \$450.00, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a motion by John with a second by April to have Shadrach sweep Main Street at a cost of \$450.00, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a motion by Terry with a second by Sara to purchase a box grater from TSC at a cost of \$599.00, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a motion by John with a second by Janice to approve the street commissioner's report, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea.

Zoning Board:

The zoning board will meet with council on Sunday, April 19 at 7:30 at the Town Hall. The \$25 zoning permit fee will be given to the clerk for deposit into the general fund. After much discussion, there was a motion by Terry with a second by John to put the zoning inspector, Gary Van Gundy, on the village payroll at a rate of \$40 per month to be paid on a quarterly basis, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. After much discussion, there was a motion by Mike with a second by Sara to put the following zoning policy into effect immediately: Violation of zoning regulations, Step 1: Immediate warning from the Zoning Inspector/Mayor. 1b: If not in compliance they will be asked to stop working and take the required precautions to take care of the violation. Step 2: A written warning will be issued by the zoning inspector. The warning shall state the violation(s) and that a lawsuit or criminal charges may be filed. Step 3: File a lawsuit or criminal charge, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a recommendation for council on trailers within the village. A committee will meet on April 8 and April 22 at 6:30 to go over the zoning book. The zoning board will meet monthly from now on.

New Business:

There was a motion by Mike with a second by Terry to approve the ambulance contract and pay the \$1742.50 fee, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea.

Dumpster prices were discussed. There was a motion by Mike with a second by Janice to get two 40 yard dumpsters from Countryside Waste Service for clean up day, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. Clean up day will be set after the community garage sales.

Old Business:

The letter was received from Mr. Junod's attorney and council has given the okay to pay the remaining money owed to Mr. Junod.

Property clean up was discussed. Terry and the Mayor will take some pictures of the properties in question and report back to council.

Gary will handle the fence on Dutton Street.

The board of Governors for the Coldwater Hospital is looking for someone from Union Township to set on the Board, if you are interested, please contact Mike Burnett.

The Fiscal Officer will go to the Public Records Seminar this year as a designee for all elected officials in the village.

Legislation:

Ordinance 2009-01, Time Warner Cable video service provider fee. There was a motion by Mike with a second by Terry to pass this on one reading, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea.

Resolution 2009-02, Sheriff's contract. There was a motion by John with a second by Sara to pass this on one reading, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – abstains from voting, Terry - yea.

All open burning complaints should be directed to the Mayor, John Siano.

There have been some complaints about dogs running loose, we have a leash law, a letter will be sent out.

Next meeting we will discuss the water metering seminar that Randy Severns attended.

There was a motion by April with a second by Sara to approve the February checks roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a motion by April with a second by Janice to approve the clerk’s mileage for February, roll call: John –yea, Mike – yea, Sara – yea, Janice – yea, April – yea, Terry - yea. There was a motion by Mike with a second by Terry to adjourn.

Sara Busacca – Council President

John Siano – Mayor

Kristina Boroff – Fiscal Officer