

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
REGULAR SESSION
OCTOBER 18, 2004

Meeting called to order by President Ken Johnston at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance given.

Prayer offered by Jerry Alger.

Roll call: Donna Pope, Marge Sorensen, Ken Johnston, Carolyn Lemler, Jerry Alger, Dawn Osborne. Absent: Chris Ostrowski, Devere Bendixen.

Minutes: Motion made by D. Pope to approve minutes from September 20, 2004 meeting. Motion seconded by D. Osborne. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

VISITORS: Ron Cooper, candidate for Fruitport Charter Township Supervisor, present to meet Council and offer to answer any questions that people may have regarding his position on Township affairs.

CORRESPONDENCE: Received notice from Aquila, gas company serving Village residents, regarding the installation of new gas lines in the Village. Residents in the area where work is being done have been sent letters by the gas company. SBC sent a request for a Metro Act permit; attorney will review paperwork and clerk will return necessary forms to SBC.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donna Pope (Insurance): Pick up truck has been repaired.

Chris Ostrowski (Parks & Boat Launch): Absent.

DeVere Bendixen (Health & Welfare): Absent.

Jerry Alger (DPW Dept): General repairs around the Village are being done; asking council members for list of areas or work they think need to be addressed. Band Shell has been cleaned and winterized; Christmas decorations have been checked over and are ready to be put up next month.

Dawn Osborne (Special Projects): Report under Old Business.

Public Safety: No report.

Ken Johnston (Zoning): Easement for Sloan property has been recorded. New trees for park will be planted in the next few weeks.

Marge Sorensen (Treasurer): Tax roles have been balanced and sent to Muskegon County Treasurer for collection of delinquent taxes.

Carolyn Lemler (Clerk): Second quarter spread sheets have been distributed. Funds are available to payoff the loan for DPW Building earlier than required. As per terms of loan documents there is no pre payment penalty to do this and the Village would save money on the interest payments. Original loan was to mature in 2008, by paying loan off now Village will save approximately \$4,800.00 in interest and cut loan term by three and one half years.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sewer update: Met with DEQ officials and they acknowledge they asked for much extra data that doesn't exist; they reserve the right to do that when there are more requests than funds available (this year); not 100% support for the project, Should get official notice in November, Have talked with Representative Farhat's office and Senator VanWoerkom's office, Received a letter from new Fruitport school superintendent requesting data, plans, schedule, etc" so they will know how to plan for project.

Village Hall update: D. Osborne has found documentation needed to get the site on Historical Register. She has forms to be filled out and is working on collecting other documents and filing these forms.

Library Board update: Received a copy of letter sent by Library Board to County Commissioners stating their position, by way of resolution passed, on the operation of the Library branches should the Headlee Override proposal fail on the November 2, 2004, election. Reductions will be in place by early December 2004; and board would proceed with the formation of a district library and ask for a mill age election prior to August 31, 2001

NEW BUSINESS:

DPW Building: Motion by D. Pope: I move the Fruitport Village Council transfer monies as needed from line item Contingencies to line item Building and Grounds to payoff the loan on the DPW building. Motion seconded by K. Johnston. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed. Clerk and Treasurer will take care of payoff and report to Council actual amount used.

Council opening: Tabled until November meeting.

Motion to approve warrants made by D. Pope. Motion seconded by D. Osborne. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn made by D. Osborne. Motion seconded by D. Pope. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
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Village Clerk
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