

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
REGULAR SESSION
August 15, 2005

Meeting called to order by Clerk Carolyn Lemler at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance given.

Prayer offered by Jerry Alger.

Roll call: DeVere Bendixen, Carolyn Lemler, Jerry Alger, Dawn Osborne, Bruce Raymond. Absent: Chris Ostrowski, Donna Pope. Ken Johnston.

Minutes: Motion made by D. Osborne to approve minutes from July 25, 2005 meeting. Motion seconded by D. Bendixen. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

VISITORS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Notice from Muskegon County regarding a Disaster Day Drill asking for volunteers to help.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donna Pope (Insurance): None.

Chris Ostrowski (DPW & Streets): None.

DeVere Bendixen (Health & Welfare): Progress is being made on house clean up on Peach street. MIS has sent a letter to home owner on 3rd Avenue regarding siding repairs; notices have been sent to property owners on Park Street, 2nd Avenue, 6th Avenue regarding violations of vehicle code; vacant lot at 3rd Avenue and Oak Street is being cleaned up.

Jerry Alaer (Soecial Parks Projects): Plaques have been delivered for Peach Tree project.

Dawn Osborne (Special Projects): None.

Bruce Raymond (Parks & Public Safety): July police reports totaled 30 incidents including civil matters, damaged property, general assistance, traffic accidents, and drunk driving.

Ken Johnston (Zoning): Consolidated several landscape ordinances regarding commercial properties and will give members draft copies of it prior to next meeting. The sign ordinance is more complex with more legal aspects in light of recent sign litigation. I have given copies to Dave to have him meld them.

I will have irrigation controller installed in park by next Monday; need to be installed by a licensed plumber.

Carolyn Lemler (Clerk/Treasurer): None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pomona Park Restroom update: Electrical work has been done to meter; Fruitport Township has worked out an agreement with Lion's Club to waive most of the hookup fees; cost estimates for supplies and work are almost set: finishing work on septic system plans.

Village 3rd Ave Lot: K. Johnston has plan almost completed. D. Osborne has been checking into a sign for the area. Has talked to Compass Design and looked at several options. A double sided aluminum sign, 4 x 8 feet, including lights and letters, with Village logo will cost \$3,200.00. Village would be responsible for permits, concrete pad, and to run electric to site. Motion by D. Bendixen to accept the sign cost estimate subject to approval by K.. Johnston of picture to fit in plans as drawn by K.. Johnston. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Village Dis-incorporation update: A pro Village committee is forming and will pull the county registration forms soon.

DPW Manager job: Copies of ad have been distributed to Council members; recommend placing ad in a couple of trade journals.

NEW BUSINESS:

Landscaping Seminar: Seminar is to be held September 20, 2005, in Grand Rapids. Motion by J. Alger to allow K. Johnston to attend the MML sponsored seminar in Grand Rapids, September 20, 2005. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Municipal Violation Code: D. Bendixen has been researching this Process of notification to property owners by Michigan Township Services of code violations and the setting and collection of fines. This would allow for stricter enforcement of codes and invoke fines for violations. Council to consider this process at September meeting .

Motion to approve warrants by B. Raymond. Motion seconded by D. Osborne. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Carolyn A Lemler
Village Clerk 865-3234