

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT  
REGULAR SESSION  
JANUARY 17, 2005

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

Pledge of Allegiance given.

Prayer offered by Chris Ostrowski.

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

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

VISITORS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Charter Communications has sent notification of rate changes to its customers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donna Pope (Insurance) : None.

Chris Ostrowski (Parks & Boat Launch): Consumers Energy is scheduling the installation of seven new lights for the park.

DeVere Bendixen (Health & Welfare): Working to resolve some "unlicensed vehicle" problems in the Village.

Jerry Alger (DPW Dept): DPW is working on general maintenance and snow plowing.

Dawn Osborne (Special Projects): None.

Public Safety: No report.

Ken Johnston (Zoning): MTS has received a site plan from George Brewster for an expansion of apartment complex on south 3rd Avenue. Copy of plan has been sent to DEQ; possible zoning change will be requested from single family dwelling to multiple family dwelling. Drain pipe at 7049 Brooks Road was cut by Consumers Energy during construction at neighboring lot. R Mergener is trying to get Consumers Energy to pre approve and pay for repairs. Repairs will be scheduled by R. Mergener and Village will bill Consumers Energy.

Marge Sorensen (Treasurer): None.

Carolyn lemler (Clerk): None.

OLD BUSINESS: Village Hall update: Research is continuing to apply for Historic Building designation.

Library Board update: Fruitport Charter Township has voted to support District Library plan; Library Board is still waiting for three other municipalities to consider and vote on the plan.

Tree Sculpture: K. Johnston presented construction and site plans for the project in Pomona Park. Village attorney has reviewed scope of the project and suggested the "project be supervised and done under the auspices of the Village DPW and appropriate Village officials. Any donations of labor should be appropriately documented in writing if the donor wishes to make a claim for such on their taxes. Copies of all documents should be kept by the Village. ...also suggest that entities that work on the project for either payment or donation provide the Village with appropriate proof of insurance". Project will be a Fruitport area wide project. C. Ostrowski and J. Alger will be working to get donations to help with the project. Motion by K. Johnston that the Fruitport Village Council approve the Tree Sculpture Project per plans dated January 17, 2005, with the following stipulations:

Minor revisions may be made to concrete, plants, etc.

Miss Dig will be notified prior to any construction activity.

Provisions of letter from Village attorney dated January 17, 2005, will be adhered to regarding supervision, insurance requirements and a paper trail for accounting purposes regarding donations of money, materials, labor, etc.

A budget number for projected Village costs will be presented to treasurer and clerk by January 31, 2005.

Motion seconded by D. Pope. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed. Motion by J. Alger that the Fruitport Village Council contract with Envirotech Fab to provide a metal fruit tree per sketch, per quote dated January 6, 2005, for \$6,960.00. Motion seconded by C. Ostrowski. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council opening: Motion by D. Pope to appoint Bruce Raymond to fill council member vacancy. Motion seconded by C. Ostrowski. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed. Clerk administered oath of office to Bruce Raymond.

DPW training: C. Ostrowski will be in charge of the Alcohol/Drug Awareness Training requirements for DPW workers.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Carolyn A Lemler  
Village Clerk  
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