

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT  
REGULAR SESSION  
JANUARY 16, 2006

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, Chris Ostrowski, DeVere Bendixen, Ken Johnston, Carolyn Lemler, Jerry Alger, Dawn Osborne, Bruce Raymond.

Minutes: Motion made by D. Pope to approve minutes from December 19, 2005 meeting. Motion seconded by J. Alger. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

VISITORS: Roger VanderStelt, 6TH Avenue, asked C. Ostrowski for the written report that they discussed in November.

Dave Stebbins, 18 Circle Drive, had questions regarding side yard setbacks. He asked where the measurement on the building was done for compliance with setback ordinance when the upper levels of the building cantilevered over the lower levels. K. Johnston will check with MTS and the Ordinance.

CORRESPONDENCE: Charter Cable is sending notification of rate increases for internet service.

A handbook has been received from the US Census Bureau about the American Community Survey

COMMITTEE REPORTS;

Donna Pope (Insurance/Personnel): None.

Chris Ostrowski (DPW/Streets): Third Avenue lines have been painted.

DeVere Bendixen (Health/Welfare): MTS will be sending a second letter to property owners at 50 N 3RD Avenue regarding repairs and cleanup of property.

Jerry Alger (Special Projects): Street drains have been cleaned; general cleanup is being worked on.

Working on Historical Site markers for several locations around the Village. Been in contact with Master Gardeners Program to see if any wish to do the required Volunteer Work in the Village; trying to get a gardening club started for the Village. D. Osborne is working on articles for the FAN about Village happenings and Historical information.

Dawn Osborne (Special Projects): None.

Bruce Raymond (Darks/Public Safety): Police report for December 2005 contained 47 incidents: burglaries, civil matters, health & safety issues, traffic accidents.

Ken Johnston (Zoning): Met 12-29-05 with M. Lee, R. Mergener and Township Water Department to check erosion problem on Brooks Road. No water leak was detected, M. Lee will write up an engineer's report for the Village and property owner.

Lake Board Report: J. Blancato will be at February meeting to update Council on the work of the Lake Board.

John Nash, President of Spring Lake Lake Board, reported Spring Lake Township has passed an Ordinance banning the use of fertilizers containing phosphorus any where in Spring Lake Township. He urged the Village Council to pass a similar ordinance.

Carolyn Lemler (Clerk/Treasurer): None.

8:00PM TEMPORARY CLOSING OF REGULAR MEETING

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING ISSUES

Notice of the Public Hearing was posted and the proposed amendment has been discussed and read at the previous meetings OF THE Village Council.

K. Johnston read the proposed amendment:

The Village of Fruitport Ordains:

Section 3.14 - WATERFRONT SETBACK. On waterfront lots where there are existing buildings on both adjacent lots, then the setback shall be the average of the setbacks from the nearest shoreline of existing buildings on the adjacent lots.

8:05PM CLOSING OF PUBLIC HEARING

RE-OPENING OF REGULAR SESSION

Motion by D. Bendixen: The Village of Fruitport adds Section 3.14, regulating waterfront setback, to the Zoning Ordinance. Motion seconded by C. Ostrowski. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

District Library Update: Tim Tubergeon, Fruitport Township Representative on Library Board, updated the Village Council about the upcoming millage election to support the Muskegon District Library. Election will be held February 28, 2006; the Library Board is asking voters to approve .7500 mills for ten years.

Sewer Update: Ron Cooper, Fruitport Township Supervisor, updated the Village Council about a

new State Revolving Fund Loan that is available for sewer extension within the Village and Township. Grant deadline is July 1,2006. R. Cooper wanted to know if the Village will participate in investigating the grant. K. Johnston will meet with R. Cooper to exchange information.

Pomona Park Restroom Update: Trusses are up and metal roof will be installed; plumbing rough in has passed inspection; floors will be installed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fruitport Library Board: Village Representative term on board is expiring; Village Council will consider appointment at February meeting.

Motion made by D. Pope to approve warrants. Motion seconded by B. Raymond.

Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by D. Pope. Motion seconded by D. Bendixen.

Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Carolyn A Lemler  
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