

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
REGULAR SESSION AND BUDGET HEARING
March 19,2007

Meeting called to order by President Roger Vanderstelt at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance given.

Prayer offered by Jerry Alger.

Roll call: Jerry Alger, Donna Pope, Bruce Raymond, Randy Sottovia, Joe Vanderstelt, Roger Vanderstelt, Carolyn Lemler.

Minutes: Motion made by D. Pope to approve minutes from February 19,2007 meeting. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

VISITORS: Bonnie Smith, 5th Avenue, urged the Council to support DeVere Bendixen for the vacant Council position.

CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk has received an application from Derek Rust. R-Team Properties to have a zoning hearing at the April 6, 2007 meeting. Details will be communicated at a later time. R. Vanderstelt has received a copy of a dock/dredging permit issued by MDEQ to Mark and Alice Oosting.

Budget Transfer Motion: Motion made by J. Alger to transfer from General Fund Une Item DPW Equipment to Line Item DPW \$8,000.00. Motion seconded by D. Pope. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS;

Donna Pope (Insurance/Personnel): None.

Joe Vanderstelt: None.

Jerry Alger (DPW & Streets): DPW has been busy winding up the plowing season. Roads are being patched, drains are being cleaned and winter equipment is being readied for storage.

Randy Sottovia: None.

Bruce Raymond (parks/Public Safety): Police reports for January and February contained a total of 80 reported incidents; 23 of the reported incidents were at the school. B. Raymond has researched user fees for the Pomona Park Picnic Shelter and found that other municipalities charge considerably more than what he is proposing to charge. Motion made by R. Yanderstelt to charge for the use of the Pomona Park Picnic Shelter \$25.00 fee plus a \$25.00 refundable deposit; if the user also wants to use the catering kitchen there would be an additional \$50.00 fee plus a \$50.00 refundable deposit. Motion seconded by R. Sottovia. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Roger Vanderstelt: Report under Old Business.

Carolyn Lemler (Clerk/Treasurer): None.

8:00PM REGULAR SESSION CLOSED; BUDGET HEARING OPENED

R. Vanderstelt read summaries of proposed General Fund, Major Street and Local Street Budgets.

8:10PM BUDGET HEARING CLOSED; REGULAR SESSION REOPENED

Budget Resolution proposed by R. Vanderstelt:

It is hereby resolved that the budget presented and discussed on March 19, 2007, at a meeting of the Fruitport Village Council, be adopted as the official budget and financial guide for the General Fund, Major Street Fund, Local Street, and Debt Service Fund for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2007 and ending March 31, 2008. FURTHER: This resolution, when adopted, shall become an Appropriation Authorization whereby the Village Council shall take the necessary steps to receive and raise funds required to pay the financial obligations of the Village of Fruitport as spelled out in the aforementioned budget. FURTHER: This resolution, when adopted, shall be the authorization for the Clerk/Treasurer to spread against the assessment rolls of the Village of Fruitport. a levy of 5.5000 mills for general operating funds, to be collected in the normal manner of collecting taxes. Said taxes shall become part of funds appropriated by this Council to help pay the financial obligations of the Village of Fruitport for the fiscal year 2007/2008. FURTHER: This resolution shall declare Carolyn Lemler as the Chief Financial Officer of the Village of Fruitport for the fiscal year 2007/2008. As such, she shall be charged with the responsibility to maintain control of both expenditures and appropriations and to make the necessary recommendations to avoid deficits.

Resolution seconded by D. Pope. Roll call: All ayes. Resolution adopted.

Motion made by R. Vanderstelt: I move that the Clerk/Treasurer be authorized to transfer funds as necessary to pay garbage bills. Utility bills, Fuelman bills, insurance bills, wages, FICA. Federal withholding. State withholding. other bills that would result in late fees, when due. plus the purchase of postage stamps, office supplies, and extra costs for mailing correspondence. Motion seconded by D. Pope. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Circle Drive Improvements: Contractor should resume work when asphalt for paving is available.

8TH Avenue Break wall Update: Bench for area has come in; fencing will be ordered. R. Bagnieshi has helped DPW workers to plan for repair to side walk in this area. 'No Wake' sign will be relocated. R. Vanderstelt or J. Alger will check with Mark Lee to find out when work will begin.

Fruitport District Library: As of February Library Committee meeting no payment had been received from MADL. Library Committee meets March 21, 2007.

3Rd Avenue Banner Poles: Motion made by D. Pope that the banner poles on Jrd Avenue be removed.

Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Old Fashioned Days' Vendors: Motion made by J. Alger to give exclusive control of vendors located on Village of Fruitport property or Village road right of ways to the Fruitport Lion's Club. Motion seconded by D. Pope. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Council Member: Three resumes were received for the vacant Council position.

Motion made by D. Pope to appoint DeVere Bendixen to vacant Council position for term to end November 2008. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: Ayes - J. Alger, D. Pope, B. Raymond; Nays - R. Sottovia, J. Vanderstelt, R. Vanderstelt. Motion not carried.

Motion made by R. Vanderstelt to appoint Scott Simot to vacant Council position for term to end November 2008. Motion seconded by J. Vanderstelt. Roll call: Ayes - B. Raymond, J. Vanderstelt; Nays - J. Alger, D. Pope, R. Sottovia, R. Vanderstelt. Motion not carried.

Motion made by R. Vanderstelt to appoint Jason Epplett to vacant Council position for term to end November 2008. Roll call: Ayes - R. Sottovia, J. Vanderstelt, R. Vanderstelt; Nays - J. Alger, D. Pope, B. Raymond. Motion not carried.
Council position tabled until April meeting.

Storm Water Project: R. Vanderstelt received a letter from Gerald Bartoszek, Norton Shores, outlining the Muskegon Area Municipal storm Water Committee's requirements for the Village to join the committee. The group was formed in 2001 to comply with the State requirements for storm water drainage in the County of Muskegon watersheds. For the Village to join the Committee at this time cost to the Village would be \$18,000.00 \$19,000.00. Other options for the Village would be to do the project alone or to see if the Village could join the lower Grand River Watershed Group. R. Sottovia will research the joining of the Lower Grand River Watershed Group and report to the Council.

Maintenance Procedures Manual: R. Mergener is working on setting up the required manual as per MIOSHA guidelines.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Carolyn A. Lemler
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