

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
REGULAR SESSION
DECEMBER 21, 2009

Meeting called to order by President Roger Vanderstelt at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance given.

Prayer offered by Jerry Alger.

Roll call: Jerry Alger. Donna Pope. Bruce Raymond. Carl Rothenberger III. Joe Vanderstelt. Roger Vanderstelt. Jacob Wier, Carolyn Lemler. Also in attendance Brenda Moore. Master Plan consultant.

Minutes: Motion made. by D. Pope to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

VISITORS: Max Riekse, representing VFW, addressed the Council with a proposal to add two bronze plaques to Veteran's Memorial Park One plaque would list the Medal of Honors recipients from Muskegon County and be mounted on the base of the WWI monument. The second plaque would list the Distinguished Service Cross recipients from Muskegon County; location of this plaque has yet to be determined. Cost of the plaques would be covered from funds in the Jason Lee Memorial Fund. Motion made by D. Pope to allow Max Rieske to proceed with design ideas and get cost estimates for both plaques and to notify the Council of the costs involved. Motion seconded by C. Rothenberger. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Steve Worth. Bethel Baptist Church, asked Council for permission to place directional signs for the church at the corner of Pontaluna Road and 6TH Avenue. also at the corner of 3RD Avenue and Oak Street. J. Alger recommended the church contact the private property owners for permission to place the signs on private property, not in the road right of way. Steve Worth will follow up on this idea.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Muskegon County DPW has issued a Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Permit for work being done by Todd and Tami Zielinski, 6 Circle Drive.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donno Pope (Insurance/Personnel); No report.

Joe Vanderstelt; No report.

Carl Rotbenberger III (Ordinances and Garbage Service); No report.

Jerry Alger (DPW & Streets); No report.

Bruce Raymond (Parks/Public Safety): Park: Village WEB site has been updated with a section about Restoring Pomona Park.

Jacob Wier (Special Projects): No report.

Roger Vanderstelt: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Master Plan: Brenda Moore updated the Council on the progress of updating the Master Plan. Friday, December 18, 2009, she interviewed Village residents. The next step is to set up the questions for the door to door survey to be conducted in late February, 2010.

Diane's School of Dance: J. Wier reported that additional parking has been added behind the building. The parking lot has room for 20-25 cars.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Transfers:

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from General Fund Line Item Transfers to Other Funds Major Street Fund to General Fund Line Item Transfers to Other Funds Local Street Fund \$32,000.00. Money is to be used to increase Local Street Fund Capital Outlay from \$75,000.00 to \$107,000.00. Motion seconded by J. Alger. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from Local Street Fund Line Item Signs to local Street Fund Line Item Capital Outlay \$5,000.00. Motion seconded by J. Vanderstelt. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from Local Street Fund Line Item Sidewalks to Local Street Fund Line Item Capital Outlay \$1,000.00. Motion seconded by C. Rothenberger. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from Local Street Fund Line Item Contingencies to Local Street Fund Line Item Capital Outlay \$4,230.00. Motion seconded by J. Wier. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from Major Street Fund Line Item Capital Outlay to Major Street Fund Line Item Bike Path/Sidewalks \$1,200.00. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from General Street Fund Line Item Special Projects Bike Path to General Fund Line Item Transfers to Other Funds Major Street Fund \$3,000.00. Money is to be used for Major Street Fund One Item Bike Path/Sidewalks. Motion seconded by R. Vanderstelt. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by D. Pope to transfer from General Street Fund Line Item Stormwater Drain Project to General Fund Line Item Master Plan Update \$5,000.00. Motion seconded by J. Vanderstelt. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Budget worksheets have been handed out to each Council Member for the 2010-2011 Village of Fruitport Budget.

Village Ordinances: Village attorney, D. Bossenbroek has reviewed the General Ordinance Book and recommends the Village hire a codification service to update ordinances and to change the ordinance infractions from misdemeanors to civil infractions. Clerk has contacted a codification company to get estimate for the work to be done.

Old Park Benches: The Village has several old wooden park benches stored behind the DPW Building. These benches have been replaced by new cement benches. Roger Barber has offered to clean up the area and haul away the old benches and repair them for use at Gerber Scout Camp. Motion made by J. Alger to allow Roger Barber to haul away the old park benches and clean up the area where the benches are stored. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Traffic Signals: B. Raymond has met with Windemuller, a traffic signal maintenance company, to get cost estimates for the conversion of the Village traffic signals. Total cost to convert the traffic signals and pedestrian crossing signals would be \$8,540.00. Council consensus was the costs will probably come down as the technology improves and that the Village should table this project.

Equipment Repairs and Maintenance: R. Vanderstelt is implementing a program to service and repair all Village equipment on a regular basis and to winterize the mowers, sweeper, and other seasonal equipment as time allows this winter.

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

Motion made to adjourn meeting made by D. Pope. Motion seconded by J. Vanderstelt. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Carolyn A Lemler
Village Clerk
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