

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
REGULAR SESSION AND VARIANCE HEARING
MAY 18,2009

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, Carl Rothenberger III, Jacob Wier, Joe Vanderstelt, Roger Vanderstelt, Carolyn Lemler.

Minutes: Motion made by B. Raymond to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion seconded by C. Rothenberger. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

VISITORS: Ryan Nichols and Dimitri Apostle, Cloetingh Seaway General Agency Inc., attended meeting to give Council information on flood insurance that may be available to Village residents. The Village does not have any designated Flood Zones A or B, however residents can apply for Zone C Flood Insurance. Flood Zone C has limited coverage and restrictions and more information may be obtained from the insurance agency.

Faythe Wright has reserved Pomona Park facilities for her son's graduation party June 6, 2009. She wanted to let the Council know there would be music at the Bandshell during the afternoon. Reservation for the party is from 11 am until 5pm.

CORRESPONDENCE: Village has received a copy of the District Library Board meeting minutes.

MML Membership information will be posted in the DPW office.

State Revenue sharing for the Village is predicted to be decreased by 4.5% or \$4,107 as of the report sent out May 5,2009. All departments are asked to please watch their expenditures.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donna Pope (Insurance/Personnel): Will plant two flower pots to be installed by post office and two to be installed by the Peach Tree.

Joe Vanderstelt: None.

Carl Rothenberger III (Ordinances and Garbage Service): Spring Clean up has

been completed.

Jerry Alger (DPW & Streets): DPW has cleaned culverts and ditches; installed bike rack at Peach Tree; repaired washouts and cold patched roads; cleaned drains on roads; cleaned salt spreaders on trucks.

Bruce Raymond (Parks/Public Safety): Public Safety: Intergovernmental agreement has been signed between the Village of Fruitport and Fruitport Charter Township with regards to the stimulus package for police department.

The split rail fence along 3rd Avenue has been removed and no parking signs have been installed. Irrigation system has been turned on; Tot Lot has been cleaned and sand pile rebuilt; picnic tables are placed around Pomona Park; reservations for Pomona Park facilities have already started. Restrooms are opened. Basketball hoops need repairs which will be done after Old Fashioned Days. Boat Launch permits are being sold; total to date \$549.00.

Web site: Have installed a flashing 'event posting' on home page.

Jacob Wier (Special Projects): Researching residential windmills ordinances from other local municipalities; Norton Shores has sent a copy of their ordinance. Suggest the Village consider an ordinance to allow and regulate the installation of these windmills as a pro- active measure. R. Vanderstelt will read Norton Shores Ordinance and check into an ordinance for the Village use.

Roger Vanderstelt: None.

8:00PM REGULAR SESSION CLOSED; VARIANCE HEARING OPENED

Request for a building height variance has been received from Terry House, 354 Peach Street, Village of Fruitport; Property location: Lots 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 22 & 23 & 24 & 25, Block 34.

Village zoning allows for an outbuilding to be no more than fifteen feet (15ft) tall. Proposed building would be eighteen feet nine inches (18ft 9in) tall.

Letters have been sent to property owners within three hundred feet (300 ft) of parcel in question and the notice has been published in the local newspaper. No response has been received either for or against the proposed building.

8:09PM VARIANCE HEARING CLOSED; REGULAR SESSION REOPENED

Motion made by R. Vanderstelt to allow construction of Garage at 354 Peach Street which will exceed the zoning height of fifteen feet to eighteen feet nine inches as long as all other building permit requirements are met. Motion seconded by B. Raymond. Roll call: All ayes.

Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Village Banners: C. Rothenberger and R. Vanderstelt are researching products available and talking to and visiting other communities who have installed the banners and decorative lights. Also being checked into is the availability of grants to help with the cost.

Old Fashioned Days: Carnival is being set up in Pomona Park; mowing needs to be done on hill near Bandshell.

Spring Clean up has been completed with no reported problems.

NEW BUSINESS:

8TH Avenue Park: R. Vanderstelt will contact Ed Bayne Family about 'adopting' the park for maintenance.

Library will be installing two sump pumps in the basement to help with water problems.

Peach Tree: J. Alger reports there is some rust on the Peach Tree; he will contact Vans Refinishing for repair options and report to Council by next meeting.

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 J. Vanderstelt. Motion seconded by D. Pope.

Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Carolyn A Lemler
Village Clerk
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