

VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 21,2009

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. Roger Vanderstelt. Jacob Wier, Carolyn Lemler. Absent: Joe Vanderstelt.

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: Gary Robert, owner of property on Lake Street. asked the procedure to get a variance for rebuilding the house to take care of storm damage. Clerk explained the procedure for the \$100.00 fee; neighbor notification; and publishing in the newspaper. G. Robert will contact clerk if he decides to apply for the variance and to be put on October 19,2009, meeting agenda.

Bill Braun asked the Council to check out his site plan for his proposed storage buildings to be built behind Diane's Dance Studio. Council members questioned B. Braun about problems that need to be addressed with the building site before the Council would consider any new plans. Action tabled until a later meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter received from Marian Vanwert, 44 N 7TH Avenue, Fruitport, to have a variance hearing scheduled for the October 19, 2009, meeting to consider a set back variance for building a deck. Clerk will take care of request.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Donna Pope (Insurance/Personnel): Insurance adjuster has reviewed the damage done to structures in Pomona Park.

Joe Vanderstelt: Absent.

Carl Rothenberger III (Ordinances and Garbage Service): Have talked to Diane Cutie, Diane's School of Dance, concerning complaints received about the overgrown condition of her yard around the dance studio. Also addressed was the lack of enough parking area for her students/customers. A letter will be sent to reinforce the ordinance regarding lawn mowing.

A letter will be sent to the property owner of 205 N 3RD avenue regarding yard cleanup.
Jerry Alger (DPW & Streets): Storm clean has progressed well. A big thank you goes out to all who worked and/or volunteered to help the Village clean up after the August storm.

Bruce Raymond (Parks/Public Safety): Park: Have turned in repair costs quotes to the

insurance company. Damage estimates totaled \$7,210.03; waiting to here back from the insurance adjuster.

Damaged trees in Pomona Park need to be looked at: Two damaged trees by the Peach Tree sculpture, one damaged tree by pavilion. Partial trees that need removing are two pine trees.

WEB site has pictures posted showing the storm damage: www.villageoffruitport.com history; storm of 2009.

Bike Path work will resume when storm cleanup is under control.

Jacob Wier (Special Projects): Working on getting information to apply for grants for the Village of Fruitport.

Roger Vanderstelt: Work list for storm damage cleanup areas was given out daily. Met with DPW workers to continue process of setting up daily/weekly goals for work to be done.

OLD BUSINESS:

Traffic Signal Repairs: Bill has been received for the repairs to the traffic signal at the intersection of Park Street and 3RD Avenue. A copy of the bill with a request for payment will be sent to Tom Drake Excavating.

NEW BUSINESS:

CHANGE IN MEETING TIME: Discussion was held to change the Village Council meeting time to 7pm from 7:30pm. Motion made by D. Pope the Village of Fruitport change the time of its monthly meetings to start at 7pm. Motion seconded by C. Rothenberger. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Question raised by J. Alger if Village Ordinance 1 could be amended to allow council members to miss up to two (2) meetings per year and not be docked for the monthly meeting stipend. Clerk will contact Village attorney to get the wording changes necessary to allow this change to be brought before the Council for a vote.

Motion made to approve the warrants made by B. Raymond. Motion seconded by J. Wier. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made to adjourn meeting made by C. Rothenberger. Motion seconded by J. Wier. Roll call: All ayes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58pm.

Respectfully submitted by
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