

REGULAR MEETING
SHERIDAN VILLAGE COUNCIL
APRIL 13, 2010

The regular meeting of the Sheridan Village Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Brian Russel.

Present: Susan McFarland, Harold Arrington, Curt Sisson, Mark Bellinger, Don Nassif
Absent: Jim Perry

Guest: Mary Bowdish, Craig Smith, Kim Smith, Doug Badge, Deb Badge, Deloris Swainston, Jackie Christionson

Bellinger moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting and budget hearing/annual meeting with McFarland supporting. Motion carried.

Council reviewed bills for general fund. Motion to approve by Nassif, supported by Sisson. Motion Carried.

Council reviewed bills for wastewater fund. Lingeman noted that the payment to the City of Ionia was for well testing in relation to the sewers and needs to be under the Sewer Fund not under the Water Fund. Motion to approve with noted correction by Bellinger, supported by McFarland. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report made by Sisson, supported by Nassif. Motion Carried.

Officer Kottenko's reported on recent complaints of Junk on the corner of W. Grant and Main and has spoke with the owners at 102 Main in regard to removing appliances that are sitting on Main Street and in the backyard. Homeowner has indicated that things will be moved into the basement within a month. Other ongoing junk ordinances violations are still being addressed. Working to set-up a time frame for the garage to be torn down, would like to see it down before Springfest. Sherriff's Posse will be present during Springfest

Lingeman went over the seal coating at a cost of \$9,000 to 9,500 (cost \$1.50 sq ft.) several areas will be done to expand the life of the road. Hot patch will be purchased with left over funds and used where needed.

Guest: Jackie Christionson from the VFW Ladies Auxiliary ask that the Village apply for the following permits from MDOT for Springfest: Permit for Banner, Permit for closing M66 for Car Show on May 29th from 2:30 to 8:00 pm with a rain date of May 30th, Fireman's Parade on May 30th from 8:30 to 10:00 pm, and Main Parade on Monday May 31 from 10:00am to 1:00 pm. Proof of Liability Insurance was provided for D & K Carnival Operations.

Guest: Craig Smith voiced concern about appliances in the front/ backyard of 102 Main along with other neighbors: Doug Badge, Deb Badge, and Deloris Swainston. Officer Kotenko responded that he has spoken to the owner already and will be following up with the owners and that the Junk Ordinance would be enforced according to the law.

Guest: Deloris Swainston also had concern about the motorcycles at night and their loud burn outs late at night. Officer Kotenko responded that he would check to make sure that the bikes had baffles and ticket the owner if the bike is not meeting standard guidelines.

Guest: Deloris Swainston had additional concerns:

1. No handicap parking was available on the West Side of Main Street. Officer Kotenko responded that it was an issue for MDOT to address. The concern will be relayed to our street administrator to investigate.
2. Neighbor with five dogs that bark a lot and are often running loose in the area. Officer Kotenko responded that he would check into it and also notify animal control to check on proper licensing and shots.
3. Hedges at the corner of Grant & Main, over hanging into the road and blocking view, who is responsible for trimming back? Russell indicated that if the hedge is hanging over the road that it can be cut back without the property owner's permission and that it will be looked into. Issue should be addressed with property owner first.
4. Neighbor's cars parked out into the road, making it difficult to get around, Officer Kotenko indicated he would look into the situation and speak with the resident.

OLD BUSINESS:

Wright Plastics: construction of sewer line began on April 5, 2010 and ground work should be done by April 23. Lingerman indicated that the road will be passable with gravel on top until paving can be completed. No date has been set for paving.

Doreen Tissue Civil Lawsuit has been dismissed and unemployment denied due to resignation without proper procedures followed.

Bellinger requested that the council think about getting some guidelines established regarding Medical Marijuana. Review what other area communities are doing. Montcalm County is not taking any stand on it and leaving it up to local governments. State law is vague. Sisson and Nassif to form a committee to review information. Klemm will check with Greenville, Howard City, Edmore regarding their guidelines.

Road Right Away: Golf carts, motorized low speed vehicles

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:25 p.m. by McFarland supported by Sisson. Meeting adjourned.

Marilyn Klemm
Village Trespure