



**REGULAR MEETING
SHERIDAN VILLAGE COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 9, 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, Don Nassif, Harold Arrington, Jim Perry, Curt Sisson
Absent: Mark Bellinger

Guests: Mary Bowdish, Connie McKeown, Dennis Tissue, Doreen Tissue, John Johansen

After review of December minutes motion by Nassif, supported by Sisson to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion carried.

Perry moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting with McFarland supporting. Motion carried.

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

Council reviewed bills for the wastewater fund. Motion to approve by Sisson, supported by McFarland. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report made by Perry, supported by Nassif. Motion carried.

Officer Kotenko reported all had been quiet last month. Brian Gyger to receive letter this month. Officer Kotenko would like correspondence to see what his intentions are for the building.

Lane informed the council that Dan Ryan had approached him about leasing acreage on the north side of the lagoon ponds. He is willing to clean the area up in order to be able to farm it. In return he would not pay the Village of Sheridan for 3 years. After the 3 year time frame he would pay a certain amount per acre. Lane thought it may be \$40.00 each and thinks the contract would be for 5 years. The council does not anticipate any foreseeable downside. The village would still save some land for dumping leaves and should not need to expand the system. Lane will ask Ryan what would happen if the village needs the property before the contract expired.

Lane also commented that he was displeased with the amount of communication he received with Williams & Works over the Wright Plastic Products project. The design map that was presented did not include laterals with leads going east and west. He does not know if the grant can be used for this. The Village of Sheridan would want it to be an extension to our current system.

Ed Lingeman reported that the Community Center will be having the Rescue Dance there on February 20th. The carpets were cleaned 3 weeks ago and he is currently utilizing a jail worker to clean the tables and chairs.

Guests: John Johansen was present to state that the Alliance is not a county function. It is a group of individuals that counties and villages pay funds to for their assistance, and they are currently fighting to keep their heads above water. The Village of Sheridan is approximately number 13 out of 28. He plans on being in Stanton Wednesday morning and will follow-up to see how the sewer project is proceeding.

OLD BUSINESS:

Wright Plastic Products: Sealed bids were opened on January 19, 2010. C & L Trucking of Ionia came in with the lowest bid.

Nothing new to report on the Doreen Tissue civil lawsuit against the Village of Sheridan.

Lane contacted MDOT about putting the pedestrian walkway sign and lines between the Medical Office Building and Sheridan Community Hospital. He was informed by them that the Village of Sheridan would be able to do this. Lane intends on doing it in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

William T. Dixon III request for tax exemption. Motion by Nassif supported by McFarland to grant tax exemption to William T. Dixon III. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion over the 2010 Fiscal Year budget. Council decided that we should budget for a 15% drop in revenue. Any council members that would like to be involved should let Russel know. Rough draft needs to be submitted by the next meeting. Public meeting will be posted and held once the final budget is done.

Russel let the council know that he had received several resumes for the vacant Treasurer's position and there were currently a couple that he was interested in interviewing. Russel, McFarland and Nassif will be conducting interviews on February 17th.

Back to old business concerning the Wright Plastic Products sewer extension grant per Arrington. He questioned whether the trailer park north of Sheridan on Condensery Rd. has ever approached the village about hooking into our system. Lane stated that they had a couple of times in the past. Also what the issues with going deep would include: Dewatering & Tearing up Sherman St. Issues if the project were to go shallow: A lift station would need to be added if additional services wanted to tie in later. Going deep would be the best option. The Village of Sheridan is running their main extension to WPP and should be put-in in such a manner to benefit the village. No one is certain when the anticipated starting date is.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:17 by Nassif supported by McFarland. Meeting adjourned.

Marcia Hersch
Village Clerk