



**REGULAR MEETING
SHERIDAN VILLAGE COUNCIL
SEPT 8, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Sheridan Village Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Pro-Tem Susan McFarland.

Present: Curt Sisson, Harold Arrington, Jim Perry, Mark Bellinger

Absent: Don Nassif, Brian Russel

Guests: Mary Bowdish, Mary Ellen Lingeman, Dennis Tissue, John Johansen, Franz Mogdis, Jim LaCroix, Robert Luce

Bellinger moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting with Perry supporting. Motion carried. Arrington discussed concern over the village being liable if an injury occurred on the tower. Perry will check with insurance carrier of Fire Dept.

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

Council reviewed bills for the wastewater fund. Motion to approve by Perry, supported by Arrington.

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

Members of the council reviewed the police report. Officer Kotenko was unable to attend but had given McFarland information necessary for meeting. It has been reported there have been larcenies from unlocked vehicles in the late evening/early morning hours and that residents are advised to lock their vehicles. They are ready for the Homecoming Parade which will begin on Friday, September 18th at 4:30 p.m.

Doug Lane informed the council that the blacktop project should begin in the next week or so. Also, he needs to call about having the portables removed from the park. There is a dead tree on Sherman St. and has an estimate of \$600.00 to remove it and grind the stump. Arrington would like Doug to check out willows by his residence that need to have limbs removed. Arrington said he would pay for the cost of trimming if they belong to him and not the village.

Ed Lingeman let the council know that he had waived his Community Center fee for the reception of Eric Trygstad because Eric is leaving to serve in the military.

Hersch and Tissue reported that the audit was going fairly well. Tissue said that the report by the auditors should be done by the end of the month.

Hersch let the council know that the 941 Penalties came to a total of \$428.85



Mary Ellen Lingeman asked the council if anything could be done about the dogs on Sherman St. that are barking constantly. Council said they would ask officer Kotenko to speak to the owners.

John Johansen reported that recycling will continue in Montcalm County. The lowest bid was for \$90,000.00 from 'Recycling World' vs. \$120,000.00 from Goodwill. The location will be at M-91 and Sidney Road.

Jim LaCroix, Director of Operations and Robert Luce, President of Wright Plastics attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of extending the sewer line down Condensery Road so they can hook into it. Williams and Works have provided 4 options in the form of pricing with one that allows for further expansion to the east by the village. Franz Mogdis informed the council that if they approve the go ahead to put in for a \$122,100.00 grant the village would be liable for \$14,100.00 towards the design and engineering by Williams and Works. There are stipulations that Wright Plastics would have to meet in order to get the grant. The most favorable for the village would be that they would be required to hire 11 new full-time employees with benefits. Bellinger loves the prospect of job growth in Sheridan although he feels rushed by the deadline. Arrington would like to have a special meeting to discuss the subject in more detail. Sisson believes it would be a good opportunity although he feels as though this has been sprung on council suddenly. Hersch to contact attorney regarding if there were a default by Wright Plastics if the village would be responsible for grant. Would like a development agreement drawn up with Wright's stating they would take sole responsibility. After much more discussion the council authorized Franz to move forward and that Brian Russel would be the signatory.

Motion to approve by Bellinger supported by Sisson. Motion voted on and passed.

McFarland and Russel went to mediation for the civil law suit by Doreen Tissue. There are a couple possible resolutions that will need to be consulted with the council at a later date. They have signed forms stating they are unable to discuss at this time.

Perry asked how the garage next to the village office was coming along. Council will have officer Kotenko stop by and see.

The two houses owned by Andy Doezema need mowing. Letter to go out to him for violation of ordinance.

Announcement of Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:
October 13, 2009, 7:30 p.m., Sheridan Village Office

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:55 p.m. by Bellinger, seconded by Perry and carried.

Marcia Hersch
Village Clerk