

2013-14 Fiscal Year Budget Public Hearing

President Hudson called public hearing to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public comment. D. Meister/current fund balance on hand was very healthy, over the required 25% why? A. Taylor/ were the transfers from the amendments included in the fund balances? Park fund improvement money, was there enough to cover grant pledge? S.Schwing/thanked the council for being fiscally responsible regarding the fund balances.

Village Accountant, Dave Richards said “Village should carry a surplus in the fund balance of 25%. Village could let go of \$80,000.00 toward road repair or some other project and still be financially sound.

Village Of Onekama Council Meeting February 20, 2013

Meeting called to order by President Hudson at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Trustees A. Hendricks, R. Gulch, W. Miller, R. Burger, R. Milasich and R. Drumm/present. Also present Clerk R. Hudson and Treasurer N. Jach.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Comment: none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Drumm moved, Milasich supported to accept the January 16, 2013 minutes as presented.. M/C.

Hendricks moved, Milasich supported to accept the January 21, 2013 special meeting minutes as presented. M/C.

TREASURERS REPORT—BILLS/TRANSFERS

Drumm moved, Milasich supported to accept the Treasurers report as presented and to pay the bills and make the transfers. M/C.

TREASURERS' REQUEST

Drumm moved, Gulch reported to make the end of the year amendments to the 2012-13 budget. M/C.

2013-14 Budget Adoption

Before adopting, questions were asked of the accountant. Accountant remarks included, equipment fund/ not a mandated fund and any excess can be transferred out to another fund. Council should develop a 5 year acquisition plan and think about a capital improvement fund. Purpose of the transfer income money into the equipment fund to build a nest egg for future

replacement of existing equipment.

More discussion then Burger moved, Drumm supported to adopt the 2013/2014 fiscal year budget as presented. M/C.

Hendricks moved, Milasich supported to pay the regularly incurred bills for the 2013/14 fiscal year. M/C.

President Hudson stated that there would be no increase in the millage for the 2013/14 fiscal year.

Mary Reed/Watershed Committee

Gave history and goals of the Portage Lake Watershed Forever Plan. Development of the plan started in 2006 and plan was approved by MDEQ in 2008. Purpose of the Portage Lake Watershed Plan is to engage all interest in the Community in developing a living document that will ensures the wise use and enjoyment of Portage Lake. She extended an invitation to the council and any public interested to attend a meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

- Written report from the newly hired Zoning Administrator, Robert Hall was given to the board and on file with the clerk.
- Some question regarding 2 members (Hendricks and Milasich) from the council being on the ZBA was brought to the attention of President Hudson. This will be investigated and reported on at the March meeting.
- Ad Hoc Ordinance Review Committee will be meeting Feb. 27, 2013-3 p.m.

SEWER

President Hudson reported that the pumps at #3 lift station still not performing at the designed capacity. Engineer thinks problem is linked to the lightning strike in August but that has yet to be proven. President Hudson is checking what is covered under the warranty on the newly installed system. A special meeting will be called to update council with regard to future repair decisions. Companies involved with the installation of the

upgrade have been called by President Hudson to check out their work and as of yet nothing was found.

SEWER INVOICE/Hydro Dynamics

Drumm moved, Miller supported to pay invoice for work done in conjunction with the performance of the #3 lift station pumps. M/C.

STREETS

--Hudson reported that the 5 ton floor jack has been purchased and now is part of the Village equipment inventory.

PARKS-FARR CENTER

President Hudson and trustee Drumm have met with the DNR regarding the park boat ramp and the low water. President Hudson has also made contact with engineer Jim Nordlund for costs to repair and extend the current ramp. Word from Lansing that help may be coming in the spring with dredging but until then President Hudson will be applying for a revenue sharing grant for this project with numbers received from Nordlund.

--Request via e-mail from Curtis Stedman (Cousin Curtis) to have his band give a concert in the park July 6, 2013. Council needs additional information as to the type of music that will be played, if they are using the shelter and do they expect to be paid. President Hudson will make contact and report to the Board in March.

EXPLORE THE SHORES

-- The Trust Fund grant update: final approval was given to the grant money.

COMMUNITY PARKS & REC.

Hendricks gave report. Trustee Burger was asked and agreed to being the council rep. due to the fact Hendricks is stepping down.

CEMETERY REPORT:

--Trustee Burger is working on updating the Village Cemetery Policy.

TOWNSHIP REPORT

Minutes on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS

Contractual Service Agreement-Manistee County/printing of taxes. 473 parcels @ \$0.98 per parcel \$463.54
Drumm moved, Hendricks supported to have President Hudson sign contractual service agreement with Manistee County for the printing of the taxes. M/C.

Contractual Service Agreement-Manistee Conservation District Household Hazardous Waste Collection/August 17, 2013-Cost based on 2010 census-411x\$0.32/person=\$130.00
Signing of this agreement was tabled to March meeting due to council questioning if the Village was already included with the Township contribution.
President Hudson will investigate and report in March.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Manistee Revenue Sharing Board
- Mi. Association of Planning
- M-Dot
- Manistee Civic Players
- Mi. Rec. and Park Association
- Onkama Lions Club
- Mi. Rural Water Association
- Carl Levin/United States Senate
- Pipeline Safety

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS

Act. 51/State Map
Hendricks moved, Gulch supported to have Street Administrator Drumm sign the required State Mileage Map for 2013. M/C.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Al Taylor/Village Park-a Community Park, would like to see the park jointly funded and maintained. S. Schwing/Kevin Hughes mtg., Smith vs Township court case very educational.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Ruth M. Hudson
Village clerk

