

# Village of Ubyly

## February 5, 2015

### Meeting Minutes

The Village of Ubyly Regular Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m., February 5, 2015, at the Bingham/Village Government Center.

**Attendance:** President, Mark Brown; Trustees Barb Butch, Adam Kain, Larry Gornowicz, and April Osentoski; Treasurer Denise Gornowicz and Clerk Sue Messing; DPW Supervisor Carl Weber and Police Chief Dave Rothe were all present. There were 7 Citizens in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Minutes:** Sue Messing read the minutes from the January meeting. The following changes were noted: 1) Purchased Holder amount should be \$12,750.00 from each account. 2) Minutes should read "All in favor, 1 abstained" referring to the motion to have Susan Schrader fill the vacant trustee position. 3) The budget will be adopted prior to the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. A motion was made by Barb to accept the minutes with changes made, seconded by April. All in favor, motion carried.

- Sue informed council of an extra phone line on our AT&T account that the village should not have paid for. Sue was working with Carl to resolve this issue.
- Checks for board members would be issued on next payroll in February.
- Sue announced that the township would be looking at bundling their cable, internet, and phone. Currently we receive a bill from the township for our share of the internet/firewall cost. Currently we pay on 2 sites, the village office and the DPW. Sue wanted the council to be aware of the changes being made.
- Sue requested another computer be purchased for the office. Council agreed to include this in the 2015-2016 budget.
- Sue informed Council there was no back-up system for the computers and no back-up was being done. Sue provided council with quotes and information she had received from 2 companies. Sue was to get with April to go over these quotes/services, and together they would decide the best route to go to obtain a back-up service. This too would have to be figured into the budget.
- Sue informed council of legislature currently in office to have "website minutes" be an acceptable form of publication for the village minutes.
- Sue stated she has been working on the budget.
- Sue gave an update on the progress of the computer being set-up for Lori over at the new water building. She informed them due to some software incompatibilities it would probably not be completed until at least April.

**Bills:** January bills were reviewed, the following changes were made: 1) Mark had a late entry into the bills for locks being changed – To Weidman's Lock & Key for \$109.00. Discussion followed. Motion made by Adam to pay January bills with changes made, seconded by Barb. All in favor motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Denise Gornowicz presented the treasurer's report. Updates on cash balances were given for the following accounts: General Fund \$218,393.03, Water Fund \$517,758.07, Major Streets \$359,210.96, Local Streets \$290,295.10, Village Streets \$228,633.14, Library Fund \$63,674.49, and Downtown Development Fund \$18,020.00.

- Denise asked people/council be aware of the general fund balance and to take expenses from the correct fund whenever possible.

**DPW Report:** DPW Supervisor Carl Weber presented his report:

- Carl stated he is working with a member from AT&T to get a reimbursement from them for the line we should not have been charged for.
- Snow removal is going well and we have enough salt.
- The DPW is working on changing some water meters.
- Carl is working on Act 51 stuff.

**Police Report:** Police Chief Dave Rothe presented his report:

- Dave presented January reports.
- Dave spoke with the township council and they were receptive to the idea of increasing the amount of monies they give for the police services.
- Dave stated he was working on the codification of ordinances with Larry, Adam, and Carl and they coming along.
- Dave is working with Gene King from the MML on updating the policies and procedures.
- Issues with the Tahoe continue to be worked on.
- Currently the police have 2 hand guns and 1 shot gun. They have received new guns through the MSP forfeiture provision. The new guns need to be qualified yet. The monies from the resale of the old guns should go back in to police training.

**Trustees Reports:**

**Barb Butch:**

- Barb is no longer going to work with Independent Bank to set up debit capabilities on tax bills as Independent Bank in Ubyly is closing.

**Susan Schrader:** on behalf of Susan Schrader, Mark Brown President spoke

- Susan has been working with Lori to improve some of the water billing issues.
- Mark announced there was an elected official training academy in Frankenmuth that Susan would like to attend in February. Cost was \$150.00 per person. Discussion followed. Barb made a motion to approve \$150.00 to be spent on Susan going to this training academy, seconded by Larry. All in favor, motion carried.

**Old Business:** No old Business to discuss.

**New Business:**

- Mark announced we should be receiving monies from the State of Michigan through Public Act 252 for local roads and bridges.
- A meeting date for reviewing the 2015-2016 budget was set for February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- A public hearing to adopt the budget for 2015-2016 was set for March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m.

**Presidents Report:**

- Mark read a thank you letter from the Florence Schrader family.
- Mark had received a letter from Mary Jo Cleary to build a shed on Franklin Street. Current zoning prohibits this due to there is no house on the lot. Mark stated if Mary Jo wishes to pursue the building of this shed she could file for a variance at a cost to her.

**Public:**

- Steve Irvine, president of the Homecoming committee announced he would like to set the 2015 Homecoming for July 9<sup>th</sup> through July 12<sup>th</sup>. Their next meeting was to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in March. Barb made a motion to accept these dates for the 2015 Homecoming, seconded by April. All in favor, motion carried.
- Steve Morin informed the council that there was a problem with the village website, such as info tabs missing etc. Sue stated she would look into it.

There being no further business, President Mark Brown entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Barb Butch to adjourn, seconded by Adam Kain. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned @ 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Sue L. Messing - Clerk- Village of Uby

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