

Village of Ubly

November 5, 2015

Meeting Minutes

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

Attendance: President, Mark Brown; Trustees, Barb Butch, Larry Gornowicz, Susan Schrader, Lola Brown and Adam Kain; Clerk Sue Messing, Police Chief Dave Rothe and DPW Supervisor Carl Weber were all present. Trustee April Osentoski absent and unexcused. Treasurer Denise Gornowicz was absent and excused. There were 3 citizens in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: Minutes from the October regular meeting had been given to each person prior to the meeting and were reviewed at this time. A motion was made by Barb Butch to accept the October minutes as written, seconded by Larry Gornowicz. All in favor, motion carried.

- Sue shared with the council that she had received the first set of paperwork for the SAW Grant, they were signed as necessary by DPW Supervisor Carl Weber, and had been returned as needed. The next set of paperwork should arrive in the beginning of December.
- Sue also announced that the General, Water, and Library Funds had all been changed to North Star Bank and now checks would be written from those accounts. We will have to wait until all checks previously written clear Independent Bank before we could officially close the accounts. Also, if employees wanted direct deposit to there accounts there would be a monthly fee of \$5.00 plus \$0.20 per each transaction.

Bills: October bills were reviewed. Discussion followed. There were 2 late entries for the list of bills: 1) Thumb Printing for the police department for office supplies totaling \$305.00, and 2) Michigan DEQ , annual service fee totaling \$748.30. A motion was made by Lola Brown to pay October bills with changes made, Susan Schrader seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- **Treasurers Report:** Denise Gornowicz was not present for the treasurer's report. Updates on cash balances were given for the following accounts: General Fund \$305,597.55, Water Fund \$410,009.54, Major Streets \$313,831.61, Local Streets \$234,527.49, Village Streets \$227,720.99, Library Fund \$48,594.02 and Downtown Development Fund \$13,939.09.

DPW Report: DPW Supervisor Carl Weber presented his report:

- Many water meters have not been reading and they are replacing them as needed.
- The samples he has been sending in to the DEQ have all been good.
- The Hund Drive Project is ongoing but much has been completed.
- The village has been working on tree stump removal and fall clean-up.
- Christmas Decorations will be going up at the end of the month.
- The shed floor is complete (Capital Outlay Renovations).

Police Report: Police Chief Dave Rothe presented his report.

- He did not have his monthly reports, he would get them to council members as soon as he gets them done.
- The Police Tahoe had been in a deer accident and all 4 airbags were deployed. Damage was estimated to be more than \$9,000.00. There would also be additional charges for the graphics to be redone and there was the loss of the walkie talkie as it was hit by the airbags and smashed. Sue was checking with the insurance company to see if these too would be covered.
- Policies and procedures have been worked on and we should be receiving the ordinances back from John Ferris in the near future.
- Halloween and trick-or-treating went well.

Trustees Reports:

Barb Butch:

- Barb had met with the Planning Commission on October 22nd and they would like updates as well as the council needs to budget for the Planning Commission in the upcoming year. Discussion followed.
- The TVO and other village groups were helping to purchase new U.S. Flags for Main Street. Barb asked if the Council would be willing to participate to donating to the cost of the flags. Discussion followed. The council would look at this and decide at budget time.
- Barb brought up the fact that some of the park benches in town were getting in pretty bad shape and discussion was held on replacing them. This too would be discussed at the time the budget was planned. It was noted that there may be some community sponsors for this. Barb would get with Carl and they would look at designs and figure out how many should be replaced.

Susan Schrader:

- Susan recognized the passing of past employee of the village, Bob (Robert) McIntyre in early October. She stated it might be nice to something in memorial of Bob. Council would take this in to consideration at budget time.

Mark Brown:

- Mark read info provided by Lori White for water billing. Discussion followed. Sue is to have Lori provide council with a more detailed breakdown of her hours.

Old Business:

- The Golf Cart Ordinance was reviewed and discussed. In accordance with PA 491, pertaining to golf carts, President Brown asked council to entertain a motion to adopt the Village of Ugly Golf Cart Ordinance #16350. A motion was made by Susan Schrader and seconded by Lola Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

- Mark requested that perspective personnel get their budget requests together for review as budget time was just around the corner.
- Mark stated at the next meeting he would be providing a packet for trustees not showing to meetings. They would find out more about this next month.

Presidents Report:

- Mark read a letter from Comcast pertaining to service fees for general public knowledge.

Public:

- Steve Irvine noted the new flags that would be purchased for Main Street. He stated any help the village could give towards the purchase would be greatly appreciated. The homecoming committee officers are the same. They are looking ahead for Homecoming 2016 to be held July 7th-10th.
- Jim Zulauf stated the Planning Commission hadn't met in 5 years and the current ordinance put the commissions' terms at 3 years. Therefore, there is no planning commission at this time and the council is currently not compliant with the current village ordinance. The council was receptive to having/reorganizing a Planning Commission. Barb Butch stated she would contact Jim Philp and they would discuss what needs to be done next and create what is needed to move forward.

There being no further business, President Mark Brown entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Barb Butch to adjourn, seconded by Lola Brown. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned @ 8:28 p.m.

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