

## Village of Ubly

January 5, 2017

### “Unapproved Meeting Minutes”

The Village of Ubly Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. January 5, 2017 at the Bingham/Village Government Center.

**Attendance:** President David Jaroch; Trustees Susan Schrader, Lola Brown, Larry Western & Larry Gornowicz; Clerk, Barb Butch, Treasurer Kelly Pearce and Police Chief Dave Rothe. Absent were Trustee Victoria Rutkowski and DPW Supervisor Carl Weber with excused absences. There were 14 citizens in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President David Jaroch presented an Eagle Scout Proclamation to Grant Geiger proclaiming Dec. 4, 2016 as Grant Geiger, Eagle Scout Day in the Village of Ubly. All citizens are encouraged to view the landscaping project behind the Sleeper Public Library created and implemented by Grant and his fellow scouts.

**Clerks Report:** Barb read a letter of intent from Jason Nicol to fill the vacant Council Seat. Larry Gornowicz made a motion to appoint Jason Nicol as a Council Trustee, seconded by Lola Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

A Traffic Control Order was presented to Council by Barb and Police Chief Rothe. A change from Handicap Parking to a 2 hr. Parking Zone on Main St. was present to council. Susan Schrader made a motion to accept said Order, seconded by Larry Western. All in favor motion carried.

Unapproved Minutes from December 2016 were presented, there being no corrections Larry Gornowicz made a motion to accept the Minutes, seconded by Susan Schrader. All in favor, motion carried.

December bills were reviewed. Larry Gornowicz made a motion to accept the December Bills as presented, seconded by Lola Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

A letter was read from Nicole Coddington owner of Tikes and Tots Daycare, thanking Council for putting up Children at Play signs near and around her home.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Kelly Pearce presented the treasurer’s report. Susan Schrader made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, seconded by Larry Gornowicz. All in favor, motion carried.

Kelly also presented to council a synopsis of the 2-day Grant Writing Class she attended. Kelly will also attend on January 20<sup>th</sup> A DNR Grant Workshop.

President Jaroch presented to Council a check that had been written but no name was on the check. It was suggested that all work done by a village employee should have a work order written up, dated, costs and invoice given. All checks are to be made out to the Village of Ubly.

### **Trustee Reports:**

**Susan Schrader:** Police Report was given by Chief Rothe. Police Budget was discussed including purchase of a new patrol car and raises for Part-time Police Officers. Under the Walkable Community Initiative the Village would have to contact each property owner to put a path on their property by the river. Chief Rothe will continue

gathering more information. Blight control – Residents can contact the Ubyly Police anytime and they will contact owner to have their property cleaned up.

**Planning Commission:** Presented by Chairman Jim Zulauf. At the last meeting a Recreational Plan component was approved to be included in the Master Plan. The Village will be soliciting bids from planning firms to facilitate the development of the revised Master Plan and Recreational Plan. Planning Commission meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the Village Hall at 7 p.m.

A motion was made by Larry Western, seconded by Lola Brown to advertise for proposals on the Master Plan. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Lola Brown, seconded by Larry Western to solicit members for the Planning Commission. All in favor, motion carried.

**Lola Brown:** Community Christmas Decoration Contest Winners were presented. Little League Ball field project update was presented by Tammy Messing. Council informed Tammy to have plans checked by Joe Particka, Village Zoning Administrator, on compliance with our Zoning Ordinances. Pavilion improvements to be looked into and structure will be inspected.

**Larry Western:** Attended a meeting with MDOT and school officials to review options for picking up and dropping off students. Larry reported that the replacement street sweeper was delivered. A road grader underbody has been replaced.

**Larry Gornowicz:** Working on different format for upcoming budget. Will be getting together with various departments, clerk and treasurer. High speed internet update. Village tax dollars cannot be used to provide internet service in Ubyly. A meeting with AVCI of Pigeon indicates that fiber optic cable is already installed along Main Street in Ubyly and is available for connection.

**Old Business/ New Business:** President David Jaroch discussed a village newsletter that will be distributed with the water bills. The Village will research a purchasing policy for each department.

Gemini group has offered a tour to village officials of the new Warehouse facility on Jan. 18th. The council will also meet Jan. 18 at the Village Hall in a committee of the whole to discuss the budget.

A contract with Emterra for garbage and recycling is being discussed.

Anyone interested in reserving the pavilion can contact the Library for more information.

**Public Comment:** Steve Irvine gave the dates for the upcoming 2017 Homecoming as July 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>. Homecoming Committee meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month starting in Feb. Shed behind TVO almost finished. Invited everyone to attend the TVO Pancake breakfasts on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month, September thru May.

Motion made by Lola Brown seconded by Larry Western to set the 2017 Homecoming for July 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further discussion, President David Jaroch thanked everyone for attending and had Grant Geiger adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Barbara J. Butch, Clerk