

**Village of Ubly
Council Meeting
June 6, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.
“Approved Meeting Minutes”**

The Village of Ubly Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., June 6, 2024, at the Bingham/Village Government Center.

In attendance were President Jason Nicol, Trustees Brandon Zdrojewski, Steve Irvine, Sara Schmidt, Jeff Rubin, Tracey Foster and Jeff Maurer, Police Chief Dave Rothe, DPW Supervisor Dave Franzel, Deputy Treasurer Ashley Holdwick and Clerk Barb Butch. Treasurer Larry Gornowicz was absent. 5 residents also attended.

Agenda: A motion was made by Steve Irvine seconded by Sara Schmidt to accept the agenda with additions. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment on the Agenda: None.

Communications:None

Clerk’s Report: A motion was made by Sara Schmidt seconded by Tracey Foster to approve the May 2, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Maurer seconded by Sara Schmidt to pay the June bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer’s Report was accepted pending audit.

Police Report: Chief Rothe informed Council that the body cameras are outdated and will need to be replaced. They are no longer able to be updated. He will present quotes at the next Council meeting.

Public Works: Put gravel down in alleys in town. Installed over 250 solar lights along the walking path that were purchased by the Community Club with a grant from the Huron County Community Foundation. Put out flowerpots along Main Street and the usual mowing and maintenance done.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Council was asked to investigate offering full time employees a monthly HSA account, but this wasn’t possible as some of the employee’s opted out of taking insurance with the Village. Council members expressed how they must be fiscally responsible on the amount and number of raises given to employees. No action will be taken at this time.
- b. Building on the corner of Main and Queen was discussed. The gas lines have been retired. Owner was supposed to submit a plan on when he was going to fix it. Nothing has been received, it will be turned over to the Village lawyer.
A blighted building at the end of Pike Street was supposed to be taken down this spring but nothing has been done. Ubly Police will check with the owner on timeline of demolition.

New Business:

- a. Discussion was held about the pickleball courts. Pricing to resurface the court, add fencing, additional lighting and wind screens and about doing the project in phases. A motion was made by Jeff Maurer seconded by Tracey Foster to approve the installation of a 4' fencing between the pickleball courts and the basketball courts, permanent posts and netting and paint for striping and moving the pickleball courts to the South end of the tennis courts. All work would start after this year's Homecoming. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Sara Schmidt seconded by Jeff Rubin to renew the 10-year franchise agreement with Comcast and to keep the charge at 3%. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. The Village will be putting items up for auction through Albrecht's out of Vassar. Some of the items that will be listed are the Tahoe, BMW, Christmas pole decorations, old picnic tables, Salt/Plow truck, cement mixer and other various items.

Public Comment: Jim Zulauf reminded Council that the 2 basketball posts and hoops would have to be removed from the pickleball area.

The Planning Commission is working with Spicer Group on the updating of the Rec Plan. An online survey will launch around June 10th or paper copies can be picked up at the Sleeper Public Library and will be open until July 15th.

There being no further business a motion was made by Jeff Maurer seconded by Tracey Foster to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Butch, Clerk