

**Village of Ubly
Council Meeting
August 1, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.
“Approved Meeting Minutes”**

The Village of Ubly Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., August 1, 2024, at the Bingham/Village Government Center.

In attendance were President Jason Nicol, Trustees Steve Irvine, Sara Schmidt, Jeff Rubin, Jeff Maurer, Tracey Foster, DPW Supervisor Dave Franzel, Treasurer Larry Gornowicz and Clerk Barb Butch. Trustee Brandon Zdrojewski and Police Chief Dave Roth were absent. 8 residents also attended.

Agenda: A motion was made by Jeff Maurer seconded by Tracey Foster to accept the agenda with additions. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment on the Agenda: None.

Communications: Council was informed that the 2023/24 Audit have been received and were in their box in the office.

Clerk’s Report: A motion was made by Sara Schmidt seconded by Steve Irvine to approve the June 27, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Treasurer Larry Gornowicz brought to the Council’s attention that the Village is not currently charging resident’s enough to cover the cost of the Trash & Recycling for the fiscal year. It will be looked at raising the rates with the 2025 Village taxes.

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

Police Report: Ammo was purchased. The police vehicle was damaged while backing up, the damage estimate will be presented at the September meeting.

Public Works: Work was done for the Homecoming during the month of July. Dave thanked Nicol & Sons and PT Rental for all their help. They also trimmed trees, fixed a broken water line, busy mowing and maintenance on equipment.

Water Report: Currently in the middle of a billing quarter, the last Tuesday in August, non-payments will be shut off.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Discussion was held about the skateboard ramps. Residents expressed concern about selling them and would like to see them stay in the area. They were moved out of the park for the Homecoming and Jason and Dave will measure the basketball courts and the ramps and bring back to Council a plan to fit both in the north court area.

New Business:

- a. After discussion, a motion was made by Jeff Maurer seconded by Tracey Foster to continue with the current BCBS plan including the additional costs for the 2024/25 year. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. A list of items to be put up for auction, will be presented at the September meeting. A couple of the items will be the Ford L Plow truck, 40+ Christmas pole decorations plus many more items.

- c. The TVO Auxiliary would like approval from the Council to work on a grant for a flag project by the walking path. A motion was made by Jeff Rubin seconded by Jeff Maurer to allow the Auxiliary to go forward with the grant proposal. All in favor, motion passed.
- d. Jim Zulauf presented to Council the results from the Rec Plan Survey. The Planning Commission will be meeting Monday, August 19 at 6 pm at the Township/Village Government Center to discuss the results and to discuss possible future plans for the property north of the DPW complex. The public is encouraged to attend.

Public Comment:

Jim Zulauf commented on the condition of the shrubs in front of the Veteran's Memorial in the Park. After discussion it was decided to remove the shrubs.

Resident Dee Koehn addressed Council concerning a neighbor, property lines, etc. Would like the police to investigate the matter. Jeff Rubin will look into it further.

Jeff Maurer asked why there isn't a stop light at the intersection of Main and Washington Streets. The Village does not determine where stop lights are placed, the type and placement of lights are all determined by MDOT.

There being no further business a motion was made by Tracey Foster seconded by Sara Schmidt to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Butch, Clerk