

April 16, 2007 MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING & REG. MEETING MINUTES

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VILLAGE OF LYONS

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Public Hearing for Intent to Vacate was called to order by President Bernard Russell at 6:48 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call:

Stan Nave	P	Carrie Webster	P	Jim Shattuck	P
Ann Randall	P	Rosie Ferris	P	Paul Tunell	P
Bernie Russell	P				

Also Attending;

Jill Stilson	P	Linda Rairigh	P	Susan Craft	P
Steve Larson	P				

Guest Attending;

Sheila McQueen, Dale Leiter, Bryon Bennett

Public Hearing

Motion to approve the Order to Vacate streets as stated in Order of Vacation offered by Trustee Webster, second by Trustee Randall. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Motion offered by Trustee Tunell, second by Trustee Webster to close Public Hearing at 7:00 and to move to regular meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote**

Motion to approve the Agenda offered by Trustee Webster, second by Trustee Tunell, **Motion carried by voice vote**

Guest – Bryon Bennett of Lyons Events Committee, up date on Island Fest activities.

1. The Fest Committee has approved the purchase of T-Shirts at the cost of \$6.00 each that will be sold at \$10.00 each with the profits to go towards the bandstand project.
2. The tractor pull track need to have regular maintenance, and would like to get someone to do regular maintenance on the track to keep it in good shape.
3. Naming the track “JAKES” Track made possible by: Piercefield Construction; Muir Village Market; Lyons Events Committee.
4. The Bandstand Project needs to have an engineering company sign off on any project over the amount of \$15,000.00 President Russell suggested doing the project in stages. To keep the cost below the \$15,000 mark.

Presidents List

1. Census class showed that for the next census, the village will have three options in recording addresses for the census. Option 1 is full address review and update (add and delete, and correct) addresses. Make map updates, appeal feedback results after canvassing. Option 2 allows us to review the address list, submit our local address list for them to correct, make map updates, and appeal results. Option 3 allows us to review the address count list, and submit our local address list in a predefined computer readable format. No appeals are allowed.
2. Parliamentary Procedures handouts were given to each member. President Russell explained that there were several points that we as a council do not do, and should. Change will be slow in coming, but we should get there.

Approval of March 2007 Minutes Motion offered by Trustee Shattuck, second by Trustee Tunell to approve the minutes with noted corrections. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Trustee Webster asked to have a correction made to the comment concerning the next appointment date for the Village Clerk "the next appointment will be in *"August"* 2008".

Approval of Accounts Payable Motion offered by Trustee Webster, second by Trustee Randall to approve the accounts payable.

Treasurers Report – Linda Rairigh

Linda explained the cash summary report, and noted that Major Street is very low. She further discussed the current CD's the village holds and they are about to mature and will be checking on better interest rates from several banks. Funds currently at Independent are not receiving the same rate as Funds currently at Ionia County National Bank. Trustee Webster asked if it would be worth the penalty to move the CD's from the lower interest bank to the higher. Linda will be looking into this and decide.

Auditor Dick Baldermann will be in May 9th to start this year's audit.

Linda requested approval to purchase new phones for the village office. Motion offered by Trustee Randall, second by Trustee Ferris to purchase new phones for the village office with a limit of \$300.00. Motion offered by Trustee Webster, second by Trustee Shattuck to accept the Treasurers Report. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street Committee – Ann Randall, Chair

Repair has been made at the corner of E. Bridge and S. King St. (see DPW Report)

Finance Committee – Carrie Webster, Chair

Dureen Leland has requested to have her house changed back to a single unit for village utility. The Finance Committee and Fire, Water & Sewer Committee toured the site, the recommendation to the Council is to have Ms. Leland remove the 220 electric, and cap the water line once used in the kitchen area. Once completed, Trustee Randall, and DPW Susan Craft will inspect the site for approval and at that time the unit will be changed to single. Trustee Webster noted she had contacted Fire Chief Lyndon Randall concerning the purchase the new fire helmets and the council's decision to stay with the original agreement. Fire Chief was fine with that arrangement.

Personnel Committee – Ann Randall, Chair

Trustee Randall asked to have a meeting date set for a meeting. Date set for April 25th at 5:30 pm. Trustee Randall asked to have Linda Rairigh there as well. Motion offered by Trustee Randall, second by Trustee Shattuck to change the Clerk's position from non-exempt to exempt. This will change the position from an hourly position to a salary position. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Fire, Water & Sewer Committee – Paul Tunell, Chair

(See DPW Report #3) Well abandonment money was received prior to state freeze on all grant dollars.

While attending training, Susan met a company that will sandblast and repaint Village hydrants at a cost of approximately \$100 per unit. They are willing to do a sample before the Village comment to the project.

Ordinance Committee – Carrie Webster, Chair

Trustee Webster asked for a copy of Muir's burn ordinance. There are several houses in the Village which have burned, and the committee will be looking at them after a review of the burn ordinance. 1. 231 N. Hawley; Sherman's old house across from 371 Burgess; and 250 S. Hawley which has been taken down. Currently waiting for Lyons/Muir Fire Department to burn what's left.

DPW Report – Susan Craft

(See DPW Report) Trees purchased from Goose Creek have been planted; Todd Ness brought his auger to bore the holes when he delivered the trees.

Due to possible state budget cuts, sidewalks will wait until fall.

The DPW is looking for picnic table frames in good shape to place tables at the Comfort Station and at the fish ladder. Trustee Ferris offered a table from her garage.

Council Comments; Trustee Shattuck asked why we do not have a yard sale during the Engine Show. It would bring more people to the Village. It will be added to the next newsletter. A request has to have a section concerning loose animals.

Susan stated that the Dump will be closing someone has dropped drywall and other building items at the site. Will open the site upon request.

Motion offered by Trustee Randall, second by Trustee Shattuck to adjourn at 8:11pm. **Motion carried by voice vote.**