

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF UNIONVILLE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MAY 16, 2011

President Dean Hartman called the meeting to order at 7pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Dave VanHove, Christina Matthews, Dale Hartman, Tom Young, Dale Herman, Connie Sy, Deputy Clerk Laura Leskowich, Treasurer Leila Rish, Police Chief Paul Strasz and DPW Supervisor Dave Yoder.

Motion by Tom Young, second by Christina Matthews, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as read. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

The board approved the appointment of Tom Young to the ACW-Unionville Fire Board at his request. Dave VanHove will move to the position of Sanitary Officer.

PARK COMMITTEE:

1. A discussion was held on the necessity of increasing police protection for the annual ball tournament. The Village Police Chief will have a recommendation at the next regular meeting.
2. Additional "NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED" signs needed for the park.

Motion by Dave VanHove, second by Tom Young, to purchase two additional signs. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

3. A discussion was held on who will be required to obtain a Special Use Permit in the future.

Motion by Dave VanHove, second by Dale Herman, to require any organization serving alcoholic beverages for profit to obtain a Special Use Permit. 7Yeas. Motion Carried.

4. Tennis Courts have been repaired.
5. Locks for ball lights will be changed this week and a deposit of \$50.00 will be charged for all keys disbursed.

DPW REPORT:

1. Storm Sewers along Phelps St. are in need of cleaning.

Motion by Dale Hartman, second by Dave VanHove, to contact Tri County Vac. and Michigan Pipe to inspect the storm sewers with their camera and rod them out to clear them of debris. 7Yeas. Motion carried. The budget will be adjusted to cover the extra cost.

2. #2 well was pulled and a new pump has been installed.
3. Village wells passed yearly inspection with the DEQ.
4. Kemp Tiling will fix the catch basin on Center St. during the next week
5. The village will request the use of the Tuscola County inmates for painting curbs before Memorial Day.

POLICE REPORT:

1. Letters of blight violations have been sent.
2. Speeding on Phelps St. has become a problem especially on Sundays. The police department will see that there is more surveillance on Sundays.

STREET & SIDEWALK:

1. Street repair is scheduled for the first week in June.
2. Trustee Dave VanHove is researching the possibility of obtaining a grant to convert village street lighting to 95w LED lighting. This would result in a significant savings for the village.

TREASURER REPORT:

1. New tax software is installed and training sessions will begin soon.
2. Sewer assessment should be paid off this year.
3. Taxes are scheduled to be mailed out around the first of July.

CLERK REPORT:

1. Independent Bank will not be allowed to continue to collect utility payments. Therefore, the village will have to find a solution for future payment collections. The clerk will check the cost of a drop box and installation.

2. ACW-Unionville Fire Board will meet on May 24, 2011 to discuss finances and other general business.

The clerk asked for a vote to increase the village assessment for fire protection if it becomes necessary.

Motion by Dale Hartman, second by Connie Sy, to increase the assessment, if necessary, no more than \$4000 and adjust the budget accordingly. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

A quote of \$585 for new locks for village doors was presented by the ACW Ambulance personnel requesting the village pay ½. Due to the lack of available funds, the council felt this project would not be feasible at this time.

Motion by Christina Matthews, second by Dave VanHove, to revisit this project when the 2012-2013 budget is prepared. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

4. Delinquent Utilities

Motion by Connie Sy, second by Christina Matthews, to place Utilities Acct #246, 231, 129, 036, 037, & 011 on the 2011 tax rolls. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

Total Delinquent accts for 2010-2011, \$6028.82.

The Employee Manual has been completely reviewed by Trustee VanHove along with his recommendations. He asked that each council member go over his recommendations. He will email a copy to each trustee so this project can be ready for the attorney by the next regular council meeting.

Motion by Tom Young, second by Dale Herman, to pay the bills for May. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom Young, second by Dave VanHove to adjourn the meeting. 7Yeas. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.

Village Disbursements: \$42,838.35

Fire Dept. Disbursements: \$646.62

Village Payroll: \$9,891.88

Carole Gangler

Village Clerk

