

**VILLAGE OF GOODRICH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 12, 2015
7:00 PM
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Horton, McCafferty, Morey, Vick, Baldwin, Administrator/Clerk Sidge, Deputy Clerk Sasser

ABSENT:

Meeting called to order by Baldwin at 7:00 p.m.

Vick requested that the Wheelock Watkins Drain be put on the Agenda. Baldwin stated that until the lawsuit was concluded it would not be put on the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda by Morey, seconded by Baldwin

Horton yes, McCafferty yes, Morey yes, Vick no, Baldwin yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Special Minutes from September 9, 2015 by Morey, seconded by Baldwin
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Minutes from September 14, 2015 by Morey, seconded by Baldwin
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented by Morey, seconded by Horton
Horton yes, McCafferty yes, Morey yes, Vick no, Baldwin yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Bills and Transfers to by Morey, seconded by Baldwin
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

Public Comment

P Wartella – Concerns regarding the ongoing lawsuit. She feels that it will cost the Village millions of dollars and that the tax payers will have to be assessed.

Unfinished Business

1. **Genesee County Sheriff Department Report** – Report Noted
2. **Reports**
 - a. **Street Administrator** – Salt barn was repaired and the salt has been delivered to the Village. Blacktop load will be this week and repairs around town will be done. Pipe under Mr. Troupe's driveway was televised and will capped off. New line will be run through the easement at the Fire Hall as it should have been done originally. Sidewalk slabs will be leveled soon.
 - b. **911** – In the processes of replacing the director and working on a new purchasing policy.

- c. **Water and Waste** – No Report
 - d. **Parks and Recs** – Working on low cost & no cost ideas for the park. LSL is finishing up the Parks & Recs Master Plan and should be ready for the November Council meeting.
Motion to have Sidge send a letter giving Fred Gilmore 10 days to move forward on the electricity in the Park otherwise have next lowest bid do the job by Baldwin, seconded by Morey.
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.
3. **Code Enforcement** – Working with the owners of the barn on Dutch Road that needs to be demolished.
 4. **Administrative** – Two councilmembers are seated on Planning Commission while only one is allowed. Vick will send an email to Sidge to stepdown from the Planning Commission, leaving McCafferty to be the Ex-officio for Council. Sidge has met with Atlas Township Supervisor Shirley Kautman-Jones, Morey and DPW Supervisor Ethan Campbell to set up the sealing of the bike path in the spring of 2016. A Council meeting is set for Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 9am to discuss the suggestion from the committee regarding employee health care.
 5. **Sidewalks** – Sidge asked audience for input of any sidewalks in need of repair.
 6. **Attorney** – No Report
 7. **Code of Conduct** – Sidge will check with surrounding municipalities to see if any would be interested in combining with the Village to set up classes.
 8. **Roads** – DPW is currently repairing the asphalt on Hegel Road and other subdivision roads.

New Business

1. **Drain Proposal** –
Motion to approve the Drain Proposal for Johnson and Son's Excavating in the amount of \$8,979.90 with Atlas Township's approved \$2,000 and the cost for a survey along with an easement with the Village obtaining the soil erosion permit by Baldwin, seconded by Morey
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.
Motion to approve Wade Trim to obtain a soil erosion permit in the amount of \$500.00 and charge \$85.00 per hour for inspections by Horton, seconded by Baldwin
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.
2. **Halloween** –
Motion to approve a Halloween Candy Drive, Water Drive for Flint and set Trick or Treating hours for 6:00pm to 7:30pm by Morey, seconded by Horton
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

3. **Concrete Proposals –**
Motion to approve the concrete proposal from American Concrete to lift sidewalks with floatable fill on Hegel Road by Morey, seconded by Horton
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

4. **Resolution 2015-12 of Support Safe Routes to School –**
Motion to approve Resolution 2015-12 of Support Safe Routes to School by Horton, seconded by Morey
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

5. **Personnel Policy Amendment Veterans Day –**
Workshop is set for Monday, November 9, 2015 at 6:00pm for the discussing of the Personnel Policy. McCafferty questioned why the Village is opened on a State Holiday.
Motion to approve the addition of Veterans Day as a Holiday to the Personnel Policy
Motion by Vick, seconded by Baldwin
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

Public Comment

C Beebe – Feels that the tree at a residential home on Hegel Road with the bees should be removed, the sidewalk on Seneca Street between Hegel Road and Erie Street should be improved and the parking of the teachers should be in the schools parking lot and not in public parking.

T Allen – Would like to know what the code of conduct for board members and employees is and what the policy of the removal of a board member?

K Vick – Suggests that the new electrician be asked to agree to the original electricians' fee. Wondered about the status of a sink hole on Hegel Road. Mentioned that McCafferty and Horton are both on the Parks & Rec committee. And would like the public to review the suggestion from the committee for Health Benefits for employees.

P Wartella – Wondered if the DPW was going to fix the flashing on the DPW building. Thanked Vick for asking for the Wheelock Watkins Drain to be added to the agenda. And wondered who was on the health care committee and are the recommendations available for the public?

Council Comment

McCafferty – Stated that Leslie Hildebrand, Trudy Conlin and Cynthia Beebe were on the Health Care Committee.

Morey – Stated that the Village will have Attorney McKenney send a letter to the property owners of the tree that have the bees in it.

Baldwin – Will contact a bee keeper when the colder weather hits to have the bees removed. The Health Insurance will be discussed at the next meeting. Stated that it is common practice to not discuss subjects that are currently in litigation. The flashing for the DPW building has been purchased but waiting for the other bee problem in the salt barn to be fixed before it will be installed. The back side of the salt barn is being repaired as well.

Motion to Adjourn by Baldwin, seconded by Horton.
All present in affirmative. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Sasser, Deputy Clerk
Village of Goodrich

Presented: 11/9/2015

Approved: 11/9/2015