

**VILLAGE OF GOODRICH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
February 10, 2014  
7:00 PM  
MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Baldwin, McAbee, Morey, Saroli, Horton, Administrator/Clerk Sidge, Deputy Clerk Schierup

**ABSENT:** None

**PUBLIC HEARING PARKS AND RECREATION**

Opened at 7:00 p.m.

BRENDA HAWKINS – Stated that the Village Volunteers had distributed a survey to determine the needs of Parks and Recreation.

ANGIE ADAMEC - Correspondence was received with suggestions for a gate at the street opening to the park. Also the creation of a deck or viewing platform with seating on the Millpond would make it more accessible for public enjoyment.

Closed at 7:05

Meeting called to order by Horton at 7:06 p.m.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION: to approve the agenda with the addition of Council Comment at the end of the meeting after Public Comment**

**Moved by Baldwin, seconded by Saroli**

**Baldwin yes, McAbee yes, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

**MINUTES**

**MOTION: to approve the minutes of January 13, 2014.**

**Moved by Horton, seconded by Baldwin**

**Baldwin yes, McAbee yes, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

**TREASURERS REPORT**

**MOTION: to accept the treasurer's report for January 2014**

**Moved by Morey, seconded by Saroli**

**Baldwin yes, McAbee yes, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

**BILLS AND TRANSFERS**

**MOTION: to approve bills and transfers for January for \$183,033.30.**

**Moved by Horton, seconded by Morey**

**Baldwin yes, McAbee yes, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

## **Public Comment**

Norm Bass – stated that hiring Fleis & Vandebrink to solve the flooding problem is too expensive and more thought of solving the problem needed to be investigated. The \$500,000.00 to \$770,000.00 project estimate is not the true price as it does not include inspections or design. The \$1,000,000.00 financial burden to the community to solve one family's flooding problem is calculated on a 10 year flood plain total and will not solve the Allen home flooding problem. The county has not come up with the best and most reasonable solution to this problem.

Talma McKee – Manager of Goodrich Goodwill Store, Introduced herself to council and stated that Goodwill would be opening their Goodrich location on M-15 on January 21.

Therese Allen – Stated that she is not the only home in the Wheelock Watkins drain area with flooding problems. She presented a series of pictures of water accumulation and her children.

Cindy Beebe – discussed employee raises and healthcare benefits to employees

Gary Hicks – Republic Waste Representative, asked council if everything was going well with the recycling program. He stated that feedback was always welcome.

Diane Frederick – Said that the majority of people in the village pay for healthcare and village employees should too.

Caitlyn Pavlick – Noted that she also has had flooding problems and lives in the Wheelock Watkins drain district.

## **Unfinished Business**

1. Genesee County Sheriff Department Report – Report Noted
2. Reports
  - a. Street Administrator –Morey reported that the plow had been down for two days and that the ice storm had caused a partial power outage which damaged the furnace and an air compressor. All equipment has been repaired.
  - b. 911 – Genesee County is working on updating the reverse 911 system.
  - c. Water and Waste – No Report
  - d. Parks and Recs
3. Code Enforcement - No Report
4. Administrative –
5. Dam –
6. Cityhood – On the back burner for now and will be removed from next agenda
7. Sidewalks –
8. Village Property – Paperwork has been signed by Furnari, closings should be soon
9. State Road Property –.Court date is set for tomorrow, 2/11/2014 before Judge Yuille
10. Wheelock Watkins – Paperwork has been distributed –meeting to be set

11. Resolution 2014-02 Electing to Comply with the Provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by Exercising the Village's Right to Exempt itself from the Requirements of the Act for the Next Succeeding Year.

**MOTION: To pass Resolution 2014-02**

**Moved by Horton seconded by Saroli**

**Baldwin no, McAbee no, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

### **New Business**

1. Dam Proposal Gerace

**MOTION: To accept the proposal dated January 24, 2014, approving the use of the DPW (hauling excess dirt and materials from the site) to reduce the amount of the proposal if possible.**

**Moved by Morey, seconded by Baldwin**

**Baldwin yes, McAbee yes, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

2. Dam Proposal Wade Trim

**MOTION: To accept the proposal from Wade Trim to assist with the emergency repairs by providing permitting assistance, contractor coordination, site observation and documentation, for a sum of \$8000.00.**

**Moved by Baldwin, seconded by Morey**

**Baldwin yes, McAbee yes, Morey yes, Saroli yes, Horton yes. Motion carried.**

### **Public Comment**

Jeff Wright- Stated that the drain commission did not dictate the drain project. Once the petition from the village was circulated the state makes the determination. He stated that there has been more than one flooding occurrence on that drain. He explained the rational and standards for the project proposals. The option of retention ponds may not be cheaper as property has to be purchased. Permanently capping the flow of water in the drain between the golf course and mill pond would eliminate alleged issues with mill pond overflow and possible liability to properties that currently use the mill pond for storm water drainage. The drainage district can be extended to include all properties using the mill pond on the basis of this allegation.

Cindy Beebe – Suggested that a special meeting be held for the dam and drain projects.

Norm Bass- Explained that he was not against repairing the drain but felt other avenues needed to be sought to lessen the cost.

Diane Frederick – Asked if the new property owners in her subdivision would be given copies of the deed restrictions as all the homes are brick except one. She would like the rest of the homes to be brick. She would like health insurance costs reviewed and the Mill pond drained and put back to a stream.

Therese Allen – Asked if the culvert from the golf course to the Mill pond could be permanently capped or if people who drain into the Mill pond could be added to the drainage district as this drainage adds to the problem.

Jeff Wright - Replied that the drainage district could be expanded to include the Mill pond, Lake Shinigaug and any subdivisions ~~such as Goodrich Knolls, Green Ridge, Goodrich Meadows, Mill Pointe~~ that drain into Millpond, and properties using state and county drains that drain into the Mill pond. (text removed per motion 3/10/2014)

Don Emch – Stated that he was afraid that the Wheelock-Watkins drain project may not solve the problem.

Mark Young – Genesee County Commissioner stated that he could be reached by anyone needing his help at 257-3020.

Council Comment:

Saroli – Noted that there would be expenses incurred by the village whether the dam was repaired or removed.

McAbee – Said that the council was predictable and he could see what was going to happen. He was embarrassed at the way the drain project was being handled.

Baldwin – stated that there were three reports on the Wheelock Watkins Drain project available and felt that a lot had been accomplished at the meeting.

Horton – stated that there were a lot of projects going on and hopefully the costs would not be prohibitive.

**MOTION: To Adjourn by  
Moved by Baldwin, seconded by Morey  
No one in attendance declined. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Schierup, Deputy Clerk  
Village of Goodrich

Presented: 3/10/14

Adopted: 3/10/14