

**VILLAGE OF GOODRICH  
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SECOND FLOOR COMMUNITY ROOM  
10237 HEGEL ROAD  
GOODRICH, MICHIGAN 48438**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 14, 2005**

Present: Robert Chlebnik, Joyce Baker, Jay Clothier  
Administrator Sidge, Clerk Schierup and interested citizens.

Absent: None

Clerk Schierup called the meeting to order a 7:00 p.m.

Clerk Schierup called for nominations for President. Joyce Baker nominated Robert Chlebnik. No other nominations were made. Robert Chlebnik accepted the nomination. Roll call for support. Jay Clothier supported. Joyce Baker supported. Robert Chlebnik Supported.

Clerk Schierup resigned the meeting to President Chlebnik

President Chlebnik called for appointment of two more council members from the list of applicants submitted to the Genesee County Clerks office.

Joyce Baker nominated Nathan Douglas McAbee and Steven Keehn. Both nominees accepted.

Motion: To nominate McAbee and Keehn.

Moved Baker, seconded Clothier.

Roll call for support. Jay Clothier yes. Joyce Baker yes. Robert Chlebnik yes.

Clerk Schierup swore in the McAbee and Keehn. McAbee and Keehn were seated on the council.

**Approval of Agenda**

Corrections to the Agenda: Resolutions 8-9-10 were renumbered to Resolutions 9-10-11.

Motion: To approve the amended agenda.

Moved by Keehn, seconded by Baker. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** To approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2005 as presented.

Moved by Baker, seconded by Clothier. Motion carried.

**Motion:** To approve the Special Council Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2005 as presented.

Moved by Clothier, seconded by Keehn. McAbee abstained for non attendance. Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report**

**Motion:** To accept the Treasurer's report month ending February 28, 2005 dated March 14, 2005 as presented. Moved by Baker, seconded by Clothier. Motion carried.

**Bills and Transfers**

**Motion:** To approve the bills and transfers in the amount of \$18,476.29 as presented.

Moved by Clothier, seconded by Keehn. Motion carried

**Public Inquiry**

Patricia Wartella, 8010 Shuman Drive

*I want to congratulate you on your positions and the first question I have is the February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, what will that entail? I'm sorry I see that. Are you planning a special meeting after this meeting here? OK I have another thing I want to bring up because I know that this is of great concern to the majority of the people that went out to vote on February 22. My biggest concern is that the agendas that were brought up were the purpose of the recall. We recalled five council members because we felt that they would not listen to what the majority of the people want. My concern is that these amendments are going to be passed by this interim council to go on and I am urging you as interim council members to have those petitions remain on the table until the*

village residents elect the people that they want to sit on this council. I know that (you were) you were brought in on an interim council basis but as it stand now the people didn't elect you (you were) you were chosen by the courts. We ask that you listen to our plea, the majority came out. We came out in such numbers that we set precedence on February 22 and that I think in my heart that morally and ethically that that's what they wanted. Now is it lawful that you pass them? You have that right. You know I was in court with you and I hear that, but I also heard Michael Carr say that basically what he would hope that this council would do is to wait and allow the elected council on May 3<sup>rd</sup> election to do business. That's all I ask, to allow the democratic, democracy of our country to hold true. Allow that to happen. That's all we ask. And who's to say who's going to win. None of us that were here that will ask this will underestimate what May 3<sup>rd</sup> will bring. We may not lose, but then we are willing to resolve ourselves to that and allow the council that is elected by the people to be the ones to send those amendments and that's all we ask. And, again we've got a councilmember that was recalled here, she's sitting right here, she was one of them. (Indicating Angela Adamec) It was very hard for us to do that, but we had to do what we thought was right. We don't want a charter amended that would put the odds against us from 51% majority to a 67% majority. Nobody if they knew that if that was set up that they were given airlines ticket to Vegas and they said you could have Plan A or Plan B. Plan A is you can win with a 50% chance, Plan B you get 33% and I can guarantee you every person would pick the A cause it would be 50%. So that's all I'm asking and I hope everyone of you is listening and take and put your feelings aside and listen to the majority. That's all I ask. Thank you.

Sandra Jenkins 7263 Hawthorne Circle

I was here with this group to ask the same thing that Mrs. Wartella just asked. I believe it is our right to expect that you would not act on that amendment, that you would allow the duly elected council to do so. And as she said, whatever they decide or whoever wins, if they go against us that's fine, but that's the democratic process at work and that's all we're asking for. That's it.

Carole Christensen 9450 Fair Oaks

I just want to say that I do not have anything against anybody and I sound like a broken record but, I honestly believe with my heart that the problem, and I don't like that we are all getting torn apart right now, but I feel that it's the state's problem. I think they're doing this to us. There are houses that are six hundred thousand dollars paying half, paying less than I pay on a three thousand dollar house and it's all because of the Headley Amendment. And I think that's what the whole problem is. And I think if the state would take care of this problem we wouldn't have to eliminate extra people and villages and I just believe that's it and that's all I have to say. I think it's the state, it's nothing personal.

Norm Bass, 10150 Hawthorne Ridge

Basically I just want to back up everything that Patty has said. We have discussed this and I'm one hundred percent, she put it in such good words, I just hope down deep in your heart, that we do this democratically, OK? And wait for the next election to vote on this amendment. Thank you.

Dan Coldren 10184 Hawthorne Ridge

I guess, a simple thought I have is, the President of the United States is elected, if there was not an electoral college, the vote, if it was one person, one way or another it would be the casting vote that would elect the president. I wouldn't care if it was two million and one to two million, that's the majority, that's over fifty percent and with that as an example I would think they see where we're coming from. That it would be absolutely absurd to try to change something and make it two thirds majority to get something passed. It's totally unheard of and anybody that's sitting there, right now, would have to agree with what I'm talking about. So after this board is seated and the election was over on May third or whatever that date is I think we could kind of take it from there and accept who gets elected and who doesn't. And what transpires from that point on. But before that I think we all went through this trouble to reach this point, let's not throw something, a monkey wrench into it right now.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**1. Police** – Genesee County Sheriff Department Report, PAB.  
No report.

**2. Committee Reports**

Personnel Committee – There was no report. Street Administrator – There was no report.  
911 – There was no report. Water & Waste – There was no report.  
Recreation - There was no report Small Cities & Villages – There was no report  
Finance Committee – Clothier and Keehn volunteered to serve on this committee. Four letters from citizens interested in serving have been submitted, more will be accepted until March 21.

**3. Community Development**

No report

**4. Administrative Report**

Resolution 2005-08 is on the table for a minimum of 30 days. It has been published.

**5. Municipal Complex**

No Report.

**6. Sidewalks**

Bids will be taken to finish the M-15 and Hegel Road sidewalk projects to connect the existing side walks at M-15 from the Village office to Hufstader Drive and at Hegel Road to connect with the bike path project to the High School.

**7. Code Enforcement**

No report.

**NEW BUSINESS****1. Sanitary Sewer Connections**

Genesee County will monitor usage on a quarterly basis.

**2. Resolution 2005-09 Appointments to the ZBA and Planning Commission**

**Motion:** To appoint Keith Walworth, Judy Tanner and Doug McAbee to the ZBA and Joyce Baker and Adam Kline to the Planning Commission.

Moved by Keehn, seconded by Baker. Carried

**3. Resolution 2005-10 M-15 Access Management Plan**

**Motion:** To pass resolution 2005-10 as presented.

Moved by Keehn, seconded by Baker. Motion carried

**4. Tree Removal/Trim Bid**

**Motion:** To award contract to Father and Son if they can remove the tree on Pontiac St. instead of trimming and still be within \$40.00 of the other bidders or \$1350.00. Otherwise the contract is awarded to Up The Grove Tree Service.

Moved by Clothier, seconded by Keehn. Motion carried.

**5. Resolution 2005-11 Entertainment Permit Goodrich Country Club**

**Motion:** To pass resolution 2005-11 as presented.

Moved by Keehn, seconded by McAbee. Motion carried

Adjournment

**Motion:** To adjourn

Moved by Baker, seconded by Keehn. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
 Patricia Schierup, Clerk  
 Approved: 4/11/05