

Regular Meeting
Merrill Village Council
September 11, 2017

Pledge: Pledge recited by all in attendance at 6:00 p.m. Meeting opened by President Gary Siler

Present: Clerk, Janice Wazny, Penny Church, Treasurer, G. DeShone, DPW, Deputy Ryan Stockford, PC, Mike DeBeau

Councilpersons: Norma Brown, Rob Campbell, Monica Latoski, Pat Nohel, T. Sexton, Delynn Wenzel,

Absent: George Kipfmiller

Guests: Teresa DeBeau for the Merrill Community Schools

Agenda: Motion by M. Latoski supported by D. Wenzel to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion by D. Wenzel supported by R. Campbell to accept the minutes of August 7, 2017 minutes as presented. Carried

Public Comments: Ms. DeBeau addressed the council regarding the up-coming millage renewal being sought by the Merrill Community Schools. This is not an increase.

Public Hearing: Sale of village property ordinance for village property on South Melze to Aubrey and Maureen Woods. Motion by R. Campbell, supported by D. Wenzel. All ayes

Administrative Reports:

S.C.S.D: Deputy Stockford introduced Derick Smith as a new recruit for the Sheriff's Dept. A report was taken on a juvenile assault in the park is being handled.

Planning Commission: Nothing new to report.

Building/Zoning: Absent

DPW: August 15th the water tower was drained, cleaned and inspected. Nelson Tank gave a good report on the tower. They also gave the village a recommendation plan for future maintenance to keep it that way. \$20,000 cathodic restoration plan is recommended for about 2018. That is 8 years sooner than listed on the Capital Improvement Plan. More funds will be needed in the water system to accommodate the capital improvement plan.

Sidewalk replacement will be started tomorrow on Shannon Street.

Brandon will be taking the waste water test and Shawn the water exam for licensing this fall.

Homecoming parade is September 22nd at 5 p.m.

Fire hydrants will be flushed towards the end of the month.

President: No new correspondence to share.

Treasurer: Report was discussed. CD interest is good. \$1,934.81 in interest for the past quarter. 1.1 % average. CIP accounting discussed. Changes will be forthcoming.

Clerk/Office Manager: MMWA Shred Day Thursday September 14th at the MMWA facility on S Miller Road. One banker's box of paper accepted per family.

A bid from Valley Glass has been accepted for the police office door. Gary and Rob both agreed.

Dumpsters are being over-loaded and an additional charge of \$200 was on the bill for July. Discussion on how to address this situation. No good solution was agreed upon. DPW will keep an eye on it.

New Business: Resolution for Saginaw County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Larry Tibbits was the representative for the township and village. Motion by D. Wenzel, supported by R. Campbell. Motion carried

Masonic Lodge Property. Attorney L. Bommarito does not have a problem allowing a variance for Superior Vault to build a storage building on the property where the Masonic Lodge now stands. She based her opinion on past litigation of similar situations, particularly properties where an adjacent land owner would be allowed to build the same structure simply because of different zoning. Superior Vault will not be seeking set back variances exceeding the current location of the Masonic Lodge building. Specifications may also be required by the Board of Appeals to satisfy concerns of the neighbors. The location of the access doors will have to be spelled out.

Old Business: Assisted living facility moving forward.

Claims & Accounts: Motion by P. Nohel, supported by D. Wenzel to pay the bills totaling \$44,3235.54. Saginaw County Road Commission chip and seal was the major expenditure. Motion carried.

DPW: Discussed earlier

Health & Safety: Nothing new.

Park: Senior Class Clean-up day next year will focus on the concession stand at the park. Norma asked if improvements could be made at the playground area near Centennial Field. This will be looked into and budgeted for next year.

Police: Nothing new.

Purchasing: Police door being replaced.

Motion by N. Brown supported by D. Wenzel to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 Carried.

Merrill Village President
Regular meeting October 9, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

Village Clerk