

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
December 10, 2009
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

2009-131 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Petruska.

Council present: Merry Barron, Jill Krikke, John Petruska, Tom Pieper and Sandra Wylie.

Council absent: Steve Buckner and Bert Rose.

Officers present: Mary Portell, Clerk and Darrell Rotier, Treasurer.

Others present: None.

2009-132 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Pieper, 2nd by Barron to approve the November 12, 2009 minutes as presented.

Vote: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

Motion by Pieper, 2nd by Barron to approve the Council & DDA November 30, 2009 minutes as presented.

Vote: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2009-133 PUBLIC TIME

2009-134 CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Invite to Retirement Party for Barb Bennitt, Casnovia Village Clerk

2009-135 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Krikke, 2nd by Wylie to approve the agenda with the addition of Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes 12-9-09, Deer Hunting Request, Fire Department Report for November, and Item B. Under Resignations: BZA Members – Mr. & Mrs. Merdzinski and PC Member Mr. Merdzinski.

Vote: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2009-136 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

2009-137 REPORTS

Equipment – Jill Krikke

Steve Evink is preparing a list of items for next year's budget – includes replacing the plexiglas door in the uniload. The underbody scraper was installed on Truck #717. The DPW employees replaced the fan in the furnace in the main lift station. The John Deere has been serviced.

Discussed using the portable generator for the village office during power

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outages, and purchasing a new one with wheels for the sewer. A voltage regulator would need to be installed at the village offices to operate the computers.

Health & Safety – *Jill Krikke & Merry Barron*
Quarterly walk thru is being scheduled.

Human Resources Committee – *John Petruska*
Gave a report of the December 10th minutes. Recommending no pay raises for the proposed budget and review in July for an August recommendation. Recommending a quarterly deposit for the eye & dental benefit in the employees' HSA.

Motion by Krikke, 2nd by Barron to approve the safety bonus of Five hundred (\$500) each to the two DPW full-time employees.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Barron, Krikke, Pieper, Wylie and Petruska.

Nays: None.

Sewer & Storm – *Mary Portell*

The meeting minutes from December 9th were presented.

President's Report – *John Petruska*

- N. Kent Street Sidewalk Issue - there is a 2nd line that dumps into the manhole. Recommend to budget this repair for 2010.
- Discussed a request from a property owner to deer hunt on the sewer property in the township – Pond #5. It is the consensus of the council not to allow deer hunting.
- Updated the council on the turfing in Ball Creek Park.

Other Reports –

- A. Clerk's Written Report – *Mary Portell*
MRWA Awards due 2/16/2010 if you have any recommendations.
Report of December 2nd meeting with CDBG and other related material.
- B. Treasurer's Written Report – *Darrell Rotier*
BS&A new dot net system was installed today on-line – Microsoft software for \$800.00. The current Revenue Sharing spreadsheet was reviewed.
- C. Zoning Administrator's Written Report – *Tom Knauf*
Planning Commission November Meeting Minutes
Property Maintenance Board of Appeals September Meeting Minutes
- D. Fire Department November Report

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APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

A. **Motion** by Krikke, 2nd by Wylie to accept the letter of resignation from Linda Gary on the DDA.

Vote: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

B. Mr. & Mrs. Merdzinski have sold their house and moving out of the village. Rick is a member of the P.C. and BZA, and Andrea is a BZA member. Need another P.C. member appointed to the BZA, and replace the other two vacancies.

2009-139

FINANCE

A. **Motion** by Krikke, 2nd by Pieper to approve the bills for the amount of Thirty-five thousand, Two hundred seven and 93/100 (\$35,207.93) dollars.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Krikke, Pieper, Wylie, Barron and Petruska.

Nays: None. Motion CARRIED

2009-140

OLD BUSINESS

A. **Motion** by Pieper, 2nd by Barron to adopt Resolution No. 2009-24 to Approve Name Change of Ball Creek Park to Ball Creek “Memorial” Park.

Vote: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

B. CDBG Allocation

Motion by Krikke, 2nd by Wylie to authorize the Village Clerk as the Village of Kent City representative and to allocate Three thousand (\$3,000) dollars for turn-out gear for the Kent City Fire Department and to allocate Two thousand, Five hundred (\$2,500) dollars to Senior Neighbors subject to a letter of request from Senior Neighbors.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Krikke, Pieper, Wylie, Barron and Petruska.

Nays: None. Motion CARRIED

2009-141

NEW BUSINESS

A. **Motion** by Barron, 2nd by Wylie to adopt **Resolution No. 2009-25** to Approve the Terms for the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals.

Vote: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

B. The lien process was reviewed. A resolution shall be prepared for council approval after the Zoning Administrator processes one lien.

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2009-142 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Krikke, 2nd by Pieper to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Portell, Village Clerk