

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 14, 2008
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

2008-24 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Petruska.

Council present: Merry Barron, Steve Buckner, John Petruska, Tom Pieper, Bert Rose and Sandy Wylie.

Council absent: Jill Krikke.

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

Others present: Scott Wagner, Sparta Farm & Lawn Equipment.

2008-25 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Buckner, 2nd by Wylie to approve the January 10, 2008 regular minutes as written.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

Motion by Pieper, 2nd by Barron to approve the January 17, 2008 special minutes as written.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2008-26 PUBLIC TIME – No comment.

2008-27 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Office of the Drain Commissioner to O&M Sports & Tire Inc regarding the removal of an obstruction in Ball Creek County Drain.

2008-28 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Pieper, 2nd by Buckner to approve the agenda with an addition under Equipment Report, Tractor.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2008-29 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS - No comment.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET

The hearing opened at 7:05 p.m. The hearing closed at 8:36 p.m.

2008-30 **REPORTS**

- A. **Equipment Report – Bert Rose**
- **Motion** by Rose, 2nd by Buckner to authorize that the Village Clerk shall make the determination on requests for the laptop computer to be used outside of the Village Office.
Vote: 4 Ayes; 2 Nays. Motion CARRIED
 - Mr. Wagner from Sparta Farm & Lawn Equipment gave specs on International Case and Kubota Diesel tractors. The council again discussed pros/cons to trade-in/sell the village Case backhoe versus keeping it. The deadline for Miedema’s Hudsonville Spring sale is February 29, 2008.
- B. **Health & Safety Report – Sandy Wylie**
- A visit has been scheduled again with MiOSHA in June. The committee has been reviewing safety manuals.
- C. **Sewer Administrator’s Report – Mary Portell**
- The paperwork is being completed for sewer service at 409 N. Main Street for connection this spring.
 - The post office replaced a section of building sewer.
- D. **Street Administrator’s Report – Thomas Pieper**
- Act No. 199 of 2007 – Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council – this was addressed in the Clerk’s report.
- E. **President’s Report – John Petruska**
- The proposed DDA minutes from February 4, 2008 were in the packets. Cost estimates and easement information regarding the Streetscape Project were reviewed. P&N is researching a grant.
 - The court date has been scheduled with one defendant regarding the vandalism in Leaver Park that occurred September 28, 2007.
- F. **Other Reports**
- The following written reports / information were included in the packets.
- Clerk’s February 7th report.
 - The Treasurer’s February 14th report.
 - Zoning Administrator’s January 31st report.
 - Kent City Fire Department report for January.
 - Kent County Sheriff Department 4th quarter and yearly reports.
 - Public notification from WMRPC on Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements at 611 E. Gardner Street, Sparta.

The Waste Research Committee will have information for the April council meeting.

- 2008-31 APPOINTMENTS
- A. **Motion** by Pieper, 2nd by Buckner to appoint Mr. Andrew Bostwick as a member of the DDA to fill the expiring term previously held by Mr. Dave Reister.
Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- 2008-32 FINANCE
- A. **Motion** by Pieper, 2nd by Buckner to approve payment of the bills for amount of Twenty thousand, Seven hundred seventy-nine and 92/100 (\$20,779.92) dollars.
Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Wylie, Barron Buckner, Pieper, Rose, and Petruska.
Nays: None. Motion CARRIED
- 2008-33 OLD BUSINESS – None.
- 2008-34 NEW BUSINESS
- A. **Motion** by Rose, 2nd by Buckner to adopt Resolution No. 2008-02 to Authorize Traffic Control for the Kent City Ridge Run.
Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- The fire department is in charge of traffic control with the assistance of the village employees.
- B. **Motion** by Pieper, 2nd by Rose to adopt Resolution No. 2008-03 To Schedule A Public Hearing to Expand the Boundaries of the Downtown Development Authority District of the Village of Kent City and on Amendment No. 2 to the Development and Financing Plan for the Downtown Development Authority of the Village of Kent City.
Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- C. **Motion** by Rose, 2nd by Barron to adopt Resolution No. 2008-04 Opposing the Relocation of the 63rd District First Division Court.
Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- 2008-35 ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Portell, Village Clerk
Village of Kent City