

Regular Meeting  
April 9, 2013

Mayor: Carl Luft

Trustees: Jean Lacey, Jerry Warsaw, John Corell, Joe Schwing

Attorney: Steve Kruk

Supt. Public Works: Ben Luft

Recording Secretary: Linda Banfield

Guests: Rusty Taillon (Fire chief), George Gotcsik, Lisa Puetz and Priscilla Petrone (students)

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm. at which time all guests were recognized.

MOTION

Motion made by Jerry Warsaw, seconded by Joe Schwing to approve the minutes of March 26, 2013 as written. Motion unanimously approved.

Fire Department Report was given to the Board. This is Rusty's last official meeting as fire chief. The Board thanked him for his service.

GEORGE GOTCSIK: George reported that three (3) Lima businesses (Lima Diner, Lakis Building and old firehouse – Don Brown) have all received matching grants from the Livingston County Sign and Façade Grant. He informed the Board that he has received an application for a village representative for the Joint Planning Board. He recommends this candidate and it will be voted on at the next meeting. George also informed the Board that Lima Rotary is eligible to apply for a Rotary District Simplified Grant Program. \$75,000.00 is available to be divided between all awarded Rotaries and can be used for scholarships, local projects etc. The award can be matched with in-kind service. George mentioned a good use for this grant could be the renovation and upgrade of the former Duffy property. Trustee Schwing volunteered to work with George, as the grant application is due by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Luft will also assist in this project.

7:10 pm OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2013-14 VILLAGE BUDGET WITH A TAX RATE OF \$5.65/1000 ASSESSED VALUE.

MOTION

Motion made by Jean Lacey, seconded by John Correll to approve abstracts A-12 for \$23,669.33, F-12 for \$12,129.45, G-12 for \$2783.22, Ambulance for \$1237.50 and Fire Pac Reserve Fund for \$1568.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion was held on the Town/Village agreement for Mark Tubbs Park. Board was in favor of bi-yearly (or as needed) joint meetings to discuss Park matters. The Park agreement will be revisited at the next meeting for Board input.

Building Inspector, Ambulance, WWTP, Financial and Jobs Completed by Village Crew reports were given to the Board.

Dan will attend a meeting regarding phosphorous issues for the WWTP. Sewer Treatment Plant upgrades to allow for phosphorous removal will be a costly project. Mayor Luft proposed raising the sewer rate by \$4.00, from \$106.00 to \$110.00 per quarter. The last sewer rate hike was in 2009. The raise will be effective with the Oct. 1, 2013 billing and residents notified in the newsletter for the July 1, 2013 billing.

MOTION

Motion made by Joe Schwing, seconded by Jean Lacey to raise the sewer rates by \$4.00 effective with the Oct. 1, 2013 billing. Motion unanimously carried.

Ben informed the Board that the Park bathrooms are open and the baby swings have been put up. The Duffy house has been removed and topsoil and dirt have been laid down. DOT will be installing a crosswalk at the corner of Ziegler Drive and Rt. 15A. This has been two (2) years in the making and all are pleased that the crosswalk and sign will finally be completed.

Ben also mentioned that all the barbed wire and posts must come down before the fence can be removed at the Park. The grant requires that this be accomplished by the end of the year.

Discussion was held on the matter of demolition permits. Demolition of buildings in the Historical District would change the "façade" of the building. It was discussed that a thirty (30) day review period would hinder the homeowner who is planning to take down a building. As demolition happens very rarely, this matter is tabled indefinitely.

Trustee Warsaw mentioned that the Boy Scouts had inquired about selling ice cream at Crossroads Day. As vendors will be selling ice cream then, it was suggested they look into selling at the Memorial Day Parade.

#### MOTION

Motion made by Jerry Warsaw, seconded by John Correll to permit the Scouts to sell ice cream during the Memorial Day Parade should they choose to do so. Motion unanimously approved.

Trustee Warsaw informed the Board that Upper Deck, which is sponsoring a concert on Crossroads Day, would like to have a vendor booth to sell beer for that day. The Town, as landlord, must approve and the Village must lift the Open Container Law for the one-day period.

#### MOTION

Motion made by Jerry Warsaw, seconded by Jean Lacey for the Village to lift the Open Container Law on Aug. 3, 2013 for Crossroads Day. Motion unanimously carried.

Attorney Kruk will draft a letter to this effect.

Village Clerk will obtain a permit for Fireworks on July 4<sup>th</sup> and send to Young Explosives.

The next Village Association dinner meeting will be held on Apr. 17<sup>th</sup> in Avon.

Lee Shanks owns property adjacent to the old village dumpsite and is concerned that snowmobiles, ATV's etc. will go across village property onto his property. He would like the village to fence off the area and is willing to pay one-third (1/3) of the cost. Discussion was held on this matter. Mayor Luft will tell Mr. Shanks that fencing off the property is too expensive an undertaking for the village.

Letter was received from EFC regarding our low interest loan for the sewer plant. They are planning to refinance at a lower rate and pass the savings on to the village for the remainder of the loan. Board is highly in favor of this.

Livingston County Development is running a new program for entrepreneurs on Apr. 27, 2013.

Ten (10) Lima teens were recognized in Livingston County's annual Teen Recognition Program.

8:35 PM CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED VILLAGE BUDGET FOR 2013-14

#### MOTION

Motion made by Joe Schwing, seconded by Jerry Warsaw to approve the 2013-14 village budget with a tax rate of \$5.65/1000 assessed value. Motion unanimously carried.

A Community Park meeting will be held on Apr. 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.

A Public Hearing on proposed Local Law # 1 of 2013 is scheduled for the meeting of Apr. 23, 2013.

9:45 PM MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LITIGATION PURPOSES.

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