

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, December 20, 2006**

The regular Village Council meeting of Wednesday, December 20, 2006, convened at 6:34 p.m. at 111 E. Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding. **Meeting Convened**

Present: Plaszczak, Basinger, Rohr, ***McIntosh**, Larcinese, Wilhelmi and Richardson. ~~McIntosh excused~~. Also present: Director of Public Services John Small, Interim Manager/Chief of Police Patrick Alspaugh and Finance Administrator/Village Clerk, KeVen Riley. ***As corrected 1-8-2007.** **Members Present**

Motion by Rohr, supported by Wilhelmi, to approve the December 11, 2006 minutes of the regular meeting as corrected. All members voting yes, motion carried. **Approved Minutes**

Motion by McIntosh, supported by Richardson, to approve the December 18, 2006 minutes of the special meeting with the Paw Paw District Library as presented. All members voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Larcinese, supported by McIntosh, to approve accounts payable for the amount of \$65,493.89 as amended to hold the Paw Paw Quick Response check for \$5,000. Plaszczak asked the check be held until a contract could be executed to be in compliance with the legal spending as requested by the prior Village auditors. All members voting yes, motion carried. **Accounts Payable**

Motion by McIntosh, supported by Basinger to adjourn the regular meeting to go into close session as requested by a letter from Bradley Noeldner to discuss a personnel matter. Roll Call vote: Basinger, Plaszczak, Richardson, Larcinese, Rohr, Wilhelmi and McIntosh all voting yes. Motion carried. Closed meeting in session at 6:47 p.m. **Closed session adjournment**

Motion by Richardson, supported by McIntosh, to re-open the regular scheduled meeting. All members voting yes, motion carried. Regular meeting resumed at 7:39 p.m. **Regular meeting re-opened**

Dale Kessinger was present to review his report on the Electric Study and his recommended changes to the electric rates. **Electric Rate Study Review**

Motion by Larcinese, supported by Wilhelmi to approve the 2007 Maple Lake fishing tournament and park rules effective January 1, 2007. All members voting yes, motion carried. **Maple Lake Fishing Tournament and Park Rules**

Rohr reported the Housing Commission's audit went very well and so did the annual Christmas dinner.

Committee Reports Housing Commission

Richardson asked about the open meetings act and if the Wine and Harvest Committee fell under the rules. Plaszczak understood that they would and we should be doing the postings of the time, date and place here at Village Hall of their meetings. Riley indicated she wasn't ~~for~~ sure where they met from month to month because it changes to different restaurants throughout the community. Plaszczak will get a legal opinion as to where the meetings should be held. ***As corrected 1-8-07.**

Wine and Harvest

McIntosh left 9:15 p.m.

Larcinese reported the DPS Committee met just prior to this meeting and they discussed the Michigan Avenue project, the lowering of Maple Lake for dam repair, the walk path along M-40 from Maple Island to Sunset Park. They also discussed the DEQ (MPDES) permit and how the ordinance needs to get changed for the lower limits along with the penalties and enforcement. ~~The~~ ***They** also discussed the need to assess the problem with the flooding by the bus garage area and along Liberty Street. ***As corrected 1-8-07.**

DPS

Basinger wanted to know what they were going to do with the property from where the building was torn down next to Strength Beyond. Small thought it was going to be for additional parking.

Council Comments Basinger

Small stated his ~~guys~~ ***staff** are trimming trees and also planting new ones because the weather has allowed them to get those things done now instead of waiting in the ~~spring~~ ***spring**. Small also wanted to make sure that any Council member wanting to attend the Annual Employee Dinner be at the Fire Hall at noon on December 21, 2006. ***As corrected 1-8-07.**

DPS Update

Alspaugh reported he is in the process of finishing evaluations for all of his employees.

Police Update

Riley was wondering where the Village Council stood on her hiring of the full-time position at Village Hall. The finance committee stated they need to review the job descriptions for all personnel at Village Hall.

Village Hall Update

Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Basinger, to adjourn the meeting. All members voting yes, motion carried. Meeting

Adjournment

adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk
KeVen Riley