

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Workshop Session, February 20, 2009**

1. The Workshop Session of the Village Council meeting of Monday, February 20, 2009, convened at 6:01 p.m. at 114 S. Gremps, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding. **Meeting Convened**
2. Present: Plaszcak, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh, Larcinese, Pioch and Basinger. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper and Chief of Police, Patrick Alspaugh. **Members Present**
3. Plaszcak commented to the attendance regarding the workshop session and stated the Council would be holding a public hearing February 25, 2009 to adopt the 2009-2010 budget and also amending the 2008-2009 budget to reflect the actives of 2008-2009.
4. Nielsen presented to the Council a fifth revision of the drafted 2009-2010 fiscal year budget. Nielsen highlighted the changes from the fourth to the fifth revisions. Nielsen noted the changes in revenue and expenses with the general fund and key changes with the Police Department. Nielsen reported the changes in administrative reimbursement for the general fund and electric fund. **Discussion Topic  
2009-2010 Fiscal year  
budget fifth revision**
5. A general discussion ensued regarding the changes Nielsen had provided in the 2009-2010 drafted budgets. Council comments included: did the DDA approve an amount for security and foot patrol for the downtown area, do the salaries and wages reflect an increase for non-union employees and several question regarding the proprietary funds. The discussion continued with several comments and questions regarding the energy purchased expense verses charges for services - consumption revenue.
6. The discussion continued with the posed question to Council, what if any is an acceptable deficit for 2009-2010. Plaszcak remarked the DDA did not directly accept nor adopt an amount of security and foot patrol and questioned if Council needed an answer he would need to present the topic again to the DDA board. With the changes made to the fifth revision the summary of all funds was still reflecting approximately \$250,000.00 deficit. Nielsen again posed the question to Council, what if any is an acceptable deficit for 2009-2010.
7. The consensus of the Council was to have Nielsen provide two different sixth revision of the drafted 2009-2010 budget. One draft would reflect changes discussed this evening, reflect possible 3% pay increases for non-union employees and a \$100,000.00 deficit. The second draft would reflect changes discussed this evening, reflect possible 3% pay increases for non-union employees and no deficit.
8. The consensus of the Council was to hold another budget workshop February 23, 2009 at 6:00 pm at Paw Paw Township Hall, to discuss the sixth revision.
9. Motion by Pioch, supported by Basinger, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President  
Roman Plaszcak

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Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper