

VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 21, 2019

Call to Order: President Franz called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: was led by President Franz

ROLL CALL: Trustees Present: R. Burger, R. Drumm, R. Hudson, W. Miller, A. Reitman and S. Schwing. Also present Clerk, Ruth Hudson & Treasurer, and Nikki Jach.

PUBLIC COMMENT: everyone was quiet.

County Commissioner: no report

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Drumm supported to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2019 regular council meeting with the following corrections: Sewer/add "approximately" before "25 equivalents" and Streets/ remove President Franz's' second vote of yes regarding street repair bids. M/C.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Miller supported to accept the July 2019 Statement of Accounts as presented. M/C.

TREASURER'S REQUEST: none this month.

BILLS / TRANSFERS: Trustee Schwing moved, Trustee Drumm supported to pay the bills and make the transfers. M/C. President Franz called for a roll call vote. Reitman – yes, Miller – yes, Burger – yes Hudson-yes, Franz-yes, Schwing and Drumm-yes. M/C.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING: responding to numerous phone calls.

--**Trustee Burger (temp. ZA)** no response from Manistee County Plan regarding their county wide zoning services. Hoping to have them come to our Sept. meeting with a presentation.

ZBA

--an organizational meeting was held and the following persons were appointed: Ken Burda/President, Susan Halloran/recording secretary and Matthew Kuizenga/alternate. C. Huebner will be contacted to be the other alternate. They decided they would like to be paid for their regular meetings because of the hard work that goes into each meeting.

--Blight Committee:

Chairperson Schwing reported that Matthew Kuizenga was appointed by her committee to be the ordinance enforcement officer. After this report President Franz explained that only the board can appoint. After some discussion, Schwing moved, Drumm supported to appoint M. Kuizenga ordinance enforcement operator. Roll Call: Miller/yes, Burger/yes, Drumm/yes, Reitman/yes, Schwing /yes, Hudson/yes and Franz/no. M.C. Blight Officer Kuizenga reported citizens on the committee were Mikey Finan and Barb Symanski. They have been working hard on the blight complaints received and will be sending out registered letters to those in violation. President Franz addressed Mr. Kuizenga explaining that this was not the purpose of the committee and their purpose was to make lists of

violations around the village and report back to the council. Lots of discussion! Drumm moved, Reitman supported to rescind vote to appoint Kuizenga Ordinance Enforcement Officer. Roll Call: Drumm/yes, Hudson/no, Reitman/yes/Schwing/no, Burger/yes, Miller/yes and Franz/yes. M.C. More discussion followed, lots of questions about the language and interpretation of the blight ordinance. Clerk will have copies of said ordinance for all council and this will be discussed at the Sept. meeting under unfinished business.

PLANNING COMMISSION –President Franz made contact with Chairperson Miller and reported that she is resigning. Drumm moved, Miller supported to accept her resignation and thanked her for her many years of service. President Franz will be in contact with the lawyer regarding the council being the Planning Commission due to the fact: difficult finding people to serve.

SEWER

--saw grant work continues with smoke testing to start early September.

-- the heat related issues with the control cabinet at the irrigation station have been addressed by the installation of a vent fan in the control panel.

--heavy rainfall on July 20 &21 which resulted in record flows for the system. SSO discharge report was filed with the State and is on file with the clerk.

--ground water soil samples have been taken and sent in.

STREETS:

--heavy rains July 20,21 washed out end of Prospect St. Lots of standing water on many streets from this rain. Ron Brown should begin the 2019 street repairs very soon.

PARKS AND THE FARR CENTER

Parks:

--the non-working cameras were replaced.

--park was under water for a while after the heavy rains.

--baby changing station for restrooms will not be installed at this time, they are very expensive.

Farr Center:

-- main entry door to FC is on the schedule to be painted.

--The garden club will be replacing the yews in front of the library very soon.

CEMETERY: no complaints or problems.

TOWNSHIP REPORT. on line

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

--Flood Plain Management Ordinance

President Franz attended a Fema sponsored informational meeting. Material was given to all the board regarding the village participating in this program. This will be addressed at the September mtg under old business.

CORRESPONDENCE: EGLE, Manistee Revenue Sharing, Debra Horner/MI Education.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS:

--Trustee Drumm will investigate questions and concerns regarding the Holiday Tree electrical box.

--Trustee Schwing commented on the board members having the right to speak at the meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully:

Ruth M. Hudson