

Metamora Village council met in regular session Monday, January 27, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Council present: Ned Monroe-pres., John Hudik, Ken Wysong, Karon Lane, Cheryl Geer and Suzie Stough

Others present: Mayor Gary Loar, VFO Karin Sauerlender, Street Superintendent Chip Vance and Deputy Clerk Sue Clendenin

Guests – none

Mayor Loar opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:00p.m.

Minutes – Ken Wysong motioned to approved the minutes of Jan. 13, 2014 council meeting as written. Second of motion by Karon Land and approved by all council.

Bills – presented for approval

Bills paid previously:

Ohio Gas	Heat for office & Mill St.	\$ 174.16
John Vershum	Administrator & snow plowing	247.50
Robert Sabo	Wages paid 01-28-14	327.80
Jeff Pawlaczyk	Wages paid 01-28-14	401.25
Norman Vance	Wages paid 01-28-14	1,833.31
Brent Geer	Wages paid 01-28-14	15.00

Current Bills to be paid:

Anderzack Pitzen	Pay request #1—Parker Rd.	\$94,400.96
Medical Mutual	February Insurance	1,943.52
Nautilus Electric	Rewire water plant	400.00
John Deere Financial	Torq-gard for state backhoe	17.54
Pugh Heating	Repairs to Mill St. garage furnace	1,333.00
Toledo Edison	Mill St. electric	186.21

Bills to be paid later:

EFTPS	January medicare match	\$ 136.34
OPERS	January village match	1,266.71

Ken Wysong moved to pay bills. Second of motion by Ned Monroe and approved by all council.

Committee reports – P&F chairman Karon Lane provide a brief synopsis of the recent committee meeting. Getting health insurance quotes, Karin looking into various options for deferred compensation in regards to Chip's sewer stipend not being pensionable, discussed recent state audit with fiscal officer, prior to the next council meeting the fiscal officer will provide council with suggested changes to the employee handbook for review, answered employee questions with Chip and revisited removal of 1 ½ hours of sick time from his time sheet, P&F suggest council pay Chip for the time deducted at regular time not overtime.

L&B chairman Ken Wysong reported on the last committee meeting. Check to see if Steve Mack wants to work for us again this summer, if not run help wanted ad the first of March, suggested keeping shelter rentals fees for residents the same but increase \$15 for non-residents, discussing backhoe purchase for next winter (in light of not having state backhoe next year,) look at replacing white truck at the end of the winter, ask DGL to attend next council meeting to discuss road improvement projects, discussed parceling out farmed portion of Mill Street property to reduce tax liability, asking Park-O-Ram committee to attend February's P&F meeting to discuss park projects and this year's Park-O-Rama event, looking into drainage and extending west parking lot in the park, also would like to have shelter B roofed, gutters and new walks installed. Travel teams would like to use ball fields at \$75 per game once a week for 12 weeks from mid-April to the end of June. Sending letter to land owners, Joe and Scott Lumbrezer to see if they are interested in selling village the 5-acres abutting west side of park. After discussion, Ken Wysong moved to allow Josh Simon's travel team to use one ball field, once a week for 12 weeks at \$75 a per game. Second of motion by Cheryl Geer and approved by all council.

Cheryl Geer moved to enter into executive session at 8:15 pm. To discuss personnel issues. Second by Ned Monroe and approved by all council. Cheryl Geer motioned to exit executive session at 8:20 p.m. Second by Suzie Stough and approved by all council. Cheryl Geer motioned to terminate seasonal employee William Ziss, effective immediately. Second by Ken Wysong and approved by all council.

Report of Street Superintendent – appreciated the village hiring back-ups to help him plow snow when needed. Wants to make sure we're holding some money from the Parker Road project to allow for final grading and seeding. The fiscal officer said APC has not billed for the final grading and seeding, which is to be completed this spring. Has used state backhoe over 200 hours moving snow and making sewer repairs, if we had to rent a backhoe (at \$80 an hour) we would have spent nearly \$16,000. Chip would rather see the village buy a backhoe instead of a replacing the Ranger. He thinks it would be more practical to have a backhoe; we haven't needed a backup truck for plowing in over three years. The village's small backhoe is now at Ott's getting repaired, which will cost close to \$1,800. A larger backhoe would be more efficient and get jobs done faster. Running low on salt and have used up state contracted amount, going to get quote from state to buy additional salt. We also has a contract with the county to buy up to 25 tons, will see who's cheaper.

Old Business – the fiscal officer requested the village administrator position is included to the list of exempted employees for tax sheltered income, as all seasonal part time employees are. Cheryl Geer motioned to suspend the rules on **Ordinance 872** amending Ordinance 666, Section 2, adding village administrator position to the exemptions from the tax deferral of PERS. Second by Suzie Stough. Roll call vote taken: Geer-yes, Hudik-yes, Stough-yes, Lane-yes, Wysong-yes and Monroe-yes. Cheryl Geer motioned to pass Ordinance 872 under emergency measures. Second of motion by Ned Monroe. Roll call vote taken: Geer-yes, Hudik-yes, Stough-yes, Lane-yes, Wysong-yes and Monroe-yes. **Ordinance 872 passed.**

New Business- Cheryl Geer motioned to approve Pugh Heating estimate to repair village furnace for \$119. Second by Suzie Stough and approved by all council.

Ken Wysong motioned to extend the “Franchise Agreement” with Advanced Sanitation for an additional two (2) years, beginning April 1, 2014 and ending March 31, 2016 for trash pick-up. Second by Ned Monroe and approved by all council. Advanced Sanitation agreed to hold current prices for the duration of the 2-year extension.

Fiscal Officer's report –village officials can have emails from the new website forwarded to home email addresses for easier access. Home/personal emails will NOT be on the village website. Council approved. Web site is up and running; adding information daily.

Mayor's report- read Four County's Proclamation establishing February “Career and Technical Education Month.”

Adjournment – Ken Wysong motioned to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Second by Suzie Stough and approved by all council.

Mayor – Gary Loar

VFO – Karin Sauerlender

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Clendenin