

Village of Lake Isabella
Village Council Minutes
Special Meeting August 2, 2006

1096 Queens Way
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

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The Meeting was called to order at 5:18 PM by President Dunn

Members Present: Griffin, Dunn, Grey, Torgerson, Kiel and Lacca

Members Absent: Hughes

Public Comments: None

Discussion:

The Council began by reviewing the list of topics that were ranked for the meeting. The Council agreed that the following items were of low importance for the immediate future and would not be subject to discussion at the work session; village library, village cemetery, expanded cell phone coverage, village parks, bike trails, animal control, increased Millage, and a village-wide sewer system.

The Council agreed that items of higher immediate importance that would be discussed at the work session were the following; village office, public safety of the dam, municipal trash contract, local street paving, unbuildable lots, code enforcement, police protection, and incorporation as a city.

The Council began by discussing the safety of the dam. Various members voiced concerns that have been brought to them regarding the stability of the dam. The Council agreed to seek a Liaison Committee meeting with the LIPOA to discuss this matter and share the concerns that have been brought to the Council. The Council was clear that the issue was the safety of the dam and not anything relating to the weeds in the lake. The Council agreed that Torgerson, Lacca, Grey, and Griffin as an alternate, would join the Manager to form the Liaison Committee.

The Council discussed the possibility of the village seeking a single solid waste contract. The Council asked the Manager to report back with an RFP by the end of the year on this matter, broken down with curbside recycling included and not included.

The Council discussed the Manager's recommendation to pursue paving all remaining local streets via special assessment. The Council directed the Manager to prepare a report outlining the project for the November meeting. This report would specifically outline the paving off all remaining local streets in 2007 by special assessment.

The Council then discussed village code enforcement. The Manager reviewed the current procedures and operations and how the current office space size prohibits the department from operating in an effective manner. The Council asked the Manager to research other buildings that may be of use for storage within the village in the hopes of freeing up space at the office.

The Council then discussed the proposal from the Sheriff's department for additional police coverage. The Council asked the Manager to pursue a one month coverage contract to see how that would change the volume and type of calls and incidents in the Village.

The Council discussed the issue of unbuildable lots. The Council directed the Manager to report back within a year on the results of the field work being done by Rowe and also with some concept projects for a doing small cluster systems in the unbuildable plats.

The Council also agreed that incorporation as a city is a topic that is years down the road.

The Council also discussed the need for a new village office. The Council agreed to have the Manager draft a RFP for a site selection study, needs analysis, and concept design and print.

With no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Jeff Grey
Village Clerk

George Dunn
Village President