

Village of Lake Isabella
Village Council Minutes
Regular Meeting – December 19, 2006

1096 Queens Way
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

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The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Dunn and the pledge was recited.

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

Members Excused: Kiel

Motion made by Torgerson, seconded by Pattison, to approve the agenda as presented. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Motion made by Griffin, seconded by Pattison, to approve the Consent Agenda which included the balance sheet, income and expense report, bills to be paid (Checks 3277 through 33XX), Planning Commission Report, and the corrected Council minutes from the November 21, 2006 regular meeting, November 30, 2006 special meeting, and December 12, 2006 special meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Pattison, Griffin, Torgerson and Dunn; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED.

The Manager's report was given by Wolff, see attached.

The LIPOA highlighted their work in remodeling the office building.

There was no President's report.

Public Comments:

Elmer Ledbetter of Red Fox Court: Village needs to consider placing their office building at the airport. In his opinion it is the best location for the Village and would give the airport and Village good visibility.

Existing Business:

1. Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2006 – 07 “Parking Ban Amendment”

Dunn opened the public hearing at 7:15 PM.

Dunn read a brief synopsis of the proposed ordinance.

Public Comments:

None

Council Discussion:

None

Dunn closed the public hearing at 7:16 PM.

2. Proposed Ordinance 2006 – 07 “Parking Ban Amendment”

Motion made by Lacca, seconded by Pattison, to adopt proposed Ordinance 2006 – 07 “Parking Ban Amendment.” ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Pattison, Griffin, Torgerson and Dunn; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED.

New Business:

1. Renewal of street maintenance contract

Motion made by Pattison, seconded by Torgerson, to approve the renewal of the street maintenance contract with Wilcox Excavating. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Pattison, Griffin, Torgerson and Dunn; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED.

2. Review of Work Plan – Isabella South & Airpark Restrictions

The Council reviewed the submitted plan regarding the review of restrictions of septic systems in Isabella South and Airpark. Griffin asked to have a statement added that affirms the Village’s position that the lake is the prime asset of the community.

3. Approval of Payment to Isabella County Treasurer

Motion made by Torgerson, seconded by Griffin, to approve payment to the Isabella County Treasurer for all profits made from the sale of Village lots as required by the deed from the State of Michigan. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Pattison, Griffin, Torgerson and Dunn; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED.

4. Additional Lots to Sell

Wolff submitted a map to the Village Council highlighting the current mixture of Village owned lots in Isabella North. Motion made by Torgerson, seconded by Griffin, to approve selling lot 208, to pursue trading for lots 293 and 335, and also to attempt to sell lots 151, 183, and 256 to the adjacent owner of each lot. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Pattison, Griffin, Torgerson and Dunn; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED.

5. Charter Review

The Council reviewed the Charter requirements regarding the review of the Charter. Wolff was directed to have advertisements placed in the Morning Sun seeking applicants for a Charter Review Committee.

Public Comments:

None

With no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM

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Jeff Grey
Village Clerk

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George Dunn
Village President

Village Manager's Report

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Code Enforcement Report

In December we have issued over 20 violations...

Animal Running at Large: 1

Boat Storage: 14

Signs: 1

Junk Cars: 4

Parking: 1

Cable Franchise

Per Federal law, Charter is required to have an agreement in place with the Village to provide service here and does not. We are able to collect a fee through this agreement that is paid to the General Fund. We can negotiate a fee between 0% and 5% of their gross revenue for the Village. This has been on my mind for over a year, but have held off due to pending legislation that could have made any agreement void. That issue has been resolved, and as such I am going to move on with this project.

Baseline & Birde Grants – Local Road Task Force Update

I attended the local meeting of the Road Task Force on December 13. I wish I had positive news to report, but I do not. The criteria for the grant money have changed due the Governor's "Jobs Today Program." Under this program, the money that is allocated through the task force now has to be tied to programs that are also funded through the Federal government. To qualify now, any road project must be on a road that has a Federal classification as a major or minor collector. The only road within the Village limits that meets this classification is Coldwater Road. As such, the money we were marked to receive in 2008 for Baseline and 2010 for Birdie is not an option at this time. I have two things that we will begin working on in light of these changes. First, the TSI committee will meet and make a recommendation to the Finance Committee regarding changing our 10-year street plan. Second, I will be sending letters to our Rep. Camp and both Senators on the Federal level to see if we can somehow get Birdie or Baseline reclassified.

Village Office

I have sent a letter to the representatives of the Shimunek building informing him that the Village would like to begin formal negotiations on purchasing the building. On Monday, I have a meeting with JBS to begin finalizing the specifications for the design/build bid documents.

Local Street Project

As originally planned, I will have the final report to the Council at the January meeting