

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President Dave Torgerson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Members Present: Cueny, Eberhart, Griffin, Kiel, Shoemaker, & Torgerson

Members Absent: Grey

The Agenda for the meeting was accepted as presented without objection.

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Eberhart, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Cueny, Eberhart, Griffin, Kiel, Shoemaker, & Torgerson; NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0.

Reports:

Village President:

Torgerson thanked Joyce & Dick Swan for their dedication and hard work on the entrance beautification project.

Village Manager:

Wolff submitted a written report to the Council. Wolff stated trick-or-Treating hours are Halloween Night from 5-7 PM.

Wolff also noted that B&E Coating has begun crack sealing work and that they would be back out on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Wolff informed the Council that Krapohl Ford has reordered our F250 with the correct items and that the new welcome signs have arrived. He also stated that the Village tried out a new banner bracket system.

Wolff communicated that the Planning Commission approved a Site Plan & Special Land Use approving four storage structures at the intersection of Coldwater and Clubhouse. He also informed them that the Planning Commission is still in the process of working on the garage update ordinance and started a discussion on the inclusion of illumination regulations in the sign ordinance.

Wolff also told the Council that he would like their input in regards to including the Village in a group that would have legal documentation in place as samples should proposal 1 pass in November.

LIPOA:

No report was given.

Public Hearing(s): None

Public Comments:

Dave Shoemaker of Isabella Vista stated he has had several complaints in regards to the crack sealing, specifically that the material appears to be sticking to people's tires more than in years past. Wolff stated that the office has not had any complaints about this issue, nor had he observed such a problem while supervising their work. He stated he would monitor the concern on future days and make adjustments if needed.

Existing Business:

1. Residential Refuse Trash Hauler License(s):

Wolff stated that the Council had received a proposed agreement granting King's Disposal an exclusive three-year license to collect and haul residential refuse in the Village. The term of the Agreement is for the calendar years 2019-2020-2021. The Agreement has been reviewed by both the Village's attorney and the attorney for Kings.

He stated that moving forward from here, the Village will need to contact Granger, Lake Sanitation, and Waste Management to inform them that as of January 1, 2019 they will not be allowed to provide service to the community other than commercial properties and dumpsters.

Wolff also noted the need to send out information to our residents on the change and how they can get in touch with King's to set-up service. Wolff is planning on a newsletter being drafted by the end of the week. Wolff mentioned that this newsletter would not only address this topic, but also will provide information on the November Election and proposed Charter Amendment.

Cueny asked if tags were still needed on bulky items if you purchased a cart package.

King's Disposal stated that tags were not needed if you purchased a cart package.

Griffin stated his concern over a document handed out at the Lake Isabella Property Owners' Association meeting.

Kings stated that the flyer that was handed out was only to show how to switch companies.

Cueny asked the process for residents that were heading south for the winter.

A motion was made by Cueny, seconded by Kiel, to approve the three-year license to King's Disposal. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Cueny, Kiel, Griffin, Shoemaker, Eberhart & Torgerson NAYS: NONE; MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0).

2. Proposed Law Enforcement Agreement with Isabella County(s):

The Village has submitted a the most recent draft of a proposal that has been reviewed by our attorney and insurance carrier.

Wolff asked the Council to review the document, please let him know of any concerns that the Council may have.

Wolff stated that in the event that the voters approve the proposed Charter Amendment at the November Election, he would work to have an agreement with finalized language ready for the December 4th Council Meeting.

Cueny asked what would happen if the 1 allotted deputy falls ill or can no longer perform his duties.

Wolff replied that another deputy would replace him if there was a prolonged absence.

Cueny wanted clarification on if the Village would provide the vehicle and the start date of this proposal should it get voter approval.

Wolff stated that the Village will not be providing the vehicle for the deputy and that if the voters approved this endeavor it would start in 2019 once both the County and Village had approved the agreement.

Griffin stated that the Wolff and the Sheriff have put a lot of time and effort into this and that he appreciates it. He also stated that he feels that a community group should have been started to help inform all residents.

Shoemaker asked if the deputy would have a set schedule.

Wolff stated it would be forty hours a week with a varying schedule per their labor agreement.

3. Consumer's Energy Franchise Agreement Update

The Village submitted its most recent proposal to Consumer's on September 27th. Wolff believes that the drafted language addresses

Consumers stated concerns, and also respects our local authority and local ordinance. The Village has not heard back from Consumers as of today. The Village attorney did suggest that if Consumer continues to flatly reject reasonable offers that the Village has proposed, then the

Council may wish to consider adopting a Resolution condemning Consumer Energy's unwillingness to work with Village in negotiating a franchise, and advising MPSC that no franchise exists and they are therefore operating illegally.

Torgerson stated that he would like Wolff to prepare the resolution.

Cueny asked if the Village could warn Consumers first prior to have the resolution brought before them.

Wolff stated he has warned them of what could happen more than once.

New Business:

1. Duquesa Road:

Wolff stated that earlier this month the owners of the private portion of Duquesa Road, Dean Chaffee and Bruce Rohrer, elected to permanently close the unpaved portion of Duquesa Road to traffic. This portion of Duquesa is located entirely outside the Village of Lake Isabella. He stated that this "road" is private property, and has never been part of the public street network of the Village or Isabella County.

Wolff mentioned this route serves as a critical secondary means of entry into the west side of the lake, Queens Way being the other. His concern is that in the event of a major storm or other emergency (accident, gas main leak...) that Queens Way could be obstructed for a period of time essentially cutting off access to the west side of the lake. Wolff would like the Council's direction on what to do, if anything, moving forward.

He stated he would like to reach out to the owners and inquire if they would donate the road to the Village and go through a voluntary annexation process if the Village were to cover the costs of the surveying and annexation process.

Wolff would be comfortable recommending a course of action that did not cost the land owners anything. However, any additional compensation Wolff believes is inappropriate at this time. Wolff would also like any guidance on what the Council wishes to do with respect

to attempting to work with either or both of Sherman Township or the Isabella County Road Commission on this matter.

Cueny stated he feels a letter would be proactive and will at least show that the Village attempted to create a solution.

Torgerson agreed that a letter would not hurt.

The Council asked Wolff to prepare the letter to be sent without objection.

2. Winter Office Hours/Spring Break:

Wolff would like the Council's feedback on our current staffing levels heading into winter. Presently, the Village office is down to two employees. Wolff stated he has an individual that can come onboard for plowing work and occasional DPW work. But will only be on staff for the winter.

Wolff informed the Council the biggest area of concern is there may be times this winter where both staff members will be unable to be at the office. Likewise, both staff members have school aged children with the same Spring Break. Spring Break is the week of March 25-29.

Wolff would have Malley cover any DPW related issues during that time.

Torgerson stated that the Village Office should close for spring break and to put the dates in a newsletter so residents will know ahead of time.

A formal document will be presented at the December 2018 meeting with the final decision.

Public Comments:

None

Announcements:

Trick or Treating will be on October 31, 2018, from 5 pm -7 pm.

The Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is October 30, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

The Planning Commission meeting is November 13, 2018 at 7 pm.

The Council Meeting is December 4, 2018 at 7pm.

With no further business, the Council was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Jeff Grey, Village Clerk

Dave Torgerson, Village President