

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – January 20, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:23 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, & Torgerson

Members Excused: Pattison, Kiel, and Miller

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded, to approve the Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented which included the following items of business; approval of bills to be paid (checks 4,192 through 4,217 and 10,000 through 10,016), the Balance Sheet, the Investment Report, the Income/Expenditure Report, minutes of the December 16, 2008 Village Council meeting, and the minutes of the January 13, 2008 Planning Commission meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reports

- The Village Manager reported that as of December 31st the Village had already used over 50% of its winter maintenance budget. He also reported on the progress made by DTE on the natural gas project, and year end code enforcement numbers. Grey asked for the Village Manager to prepare a report detailing the financial feasibility of the Village plowing “in-house” compared to the cost of contracting the service out.
- No report was given as the LIPOA did not hold a meeting in January.

Public Comments

- None

Public Hearings

1. Proposed Ordinance 2008-09; Special Assessment Definition Amendment
Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:37 PM
Public Comment/Objections: None
Torgerson closed the public hearing at 7:38 PM

Existing Business

1. Proposed Ordinance 2008-09; Special Assessment Procedures
A motion was made by Griffin, which was seconded by Grey, to adopt Ordinance 2008-09, which amends the definition of “Public Improvement” in the Special Assessment chapter of the codified ordinances of the Village of Lake Isabella. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Unbuildable Lots Update

Wolff updated the Council on the 58th Annual Michigan On-Site Wastewater Conference. He attended and was a speaker at the conference. He discussed the need to conduct a feasibility study to examine decentralized wastewater systems in Lake Isabella South and Lake Isabella Golf Estates II. He recommended to the Council that Rowe conduct the study but also incorporate into their proposal an independent review element.

With the consent of the Council, Wolff reported that he could have a cost proposal from Rowe either at the February or March meeting to conduct the study.

Grey asked what the source of the funds would be for the study. Wolff reported that the Village would use money in the Sewer Escrow account.

Torgerson noted that the money in the fund is limited on how it can be spent. And that conducting a feasibility study/concept design was an acceptable use of the funds.

3. Proposed Resolution 2008-07; Council Rules & Procedures Update

The Council's established rules allow for amendment only by a 2/3 majority vote of the Council. Further action on this was tabled until such time as at least 5 Council members are present to take action.

4. Proposed Resolution 2008-31; Street Sign Standards

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded by Griffin, to adopt Resolution 2008-31, which sets minimum design standards for traffic signs used by the Village. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

New Business

1. Sam's Club Membership & Credit Card

The Council discussed the Manager's request and recommendation to purchase a membership at Sam's Club with a Sam's Club Credit Card or Sam's Discovery card of a limit not to exceed \$2,500.

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Griffin, to authorize the Village to open a credit card with Sam's Club with a limit not to exceed \$2,500. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Comments

- None

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:18 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – February 17, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Miller, Grey, Pattison, & Torgerson

Members Excused: Lacca, Griffin, and Kiel

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded, to approve the Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Miller, Grey, Pattison, and Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented which included the following items of business; invoices and disbursements (checks 10,017 through 10,055 from the primary checking account, and check 55 from the Sewer Fund checking account), the Balance Sheet, the Investment Report, the Income/Expense Report, minutes from the January 20, 2009 Village Council meeting, and the minutes of the February 10, 2009 Planning Commission meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Miller, Grey, Pattison, and Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports

- The Village Manager reported that as of January 31st the Village had used nearly 95% of its winter plowing budget. He also reported on Code Enforcement activity for the month, upcoming training sessions being offered,
- Hiither briefly reported on the LIPOA. He discussed the plan to have an Easter Egg hunt this year.

Public Comments

- None

Public Hearings

1. Proposed Resolution 2009-01; Broomfield Township Fire District Renewal (Resolution 2 of 4)

Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:04 PM

Public Comment/Objections:

- Kim Fox of Little Turtle Way: Questioned how the unbuildable lots benefit from the assessment and asked for an explanation of how the assessment process works.
- Mike Scherba of Lincoln Drive: Asked if the assessment was in any way different from the assessment over the previous 8 years.

Torgerson closed the public hearing at 7:10 PM

Existing Business

1. Proposed Resolution 2009-01; Broomfield Township Fire District Renewal (Resolution 2 of 4)
A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Miller, to adopt Resolution 2009-01, which is the second of four required resolutions to renew the existing the 1 Mill special assessment on residents of Broomfield Township residing in the Village of Lake Isabella to provide fire and EMS service. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Miller, Grey, Pattison, and Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
2. Unbuildable Lots Update – Professional Service Agreement with Rowe Incorporated
A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Miller, to approve the proposed professional service agreement with Rowe Incorporated to conduct a feasibility study to construct decentralized wastewater systems in Lake Isabella South and Lake Isabella Golf Estates II and examine the possible expansion of the Isabella County Water System into Lake Isabella North. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Miller, Grey, Pattison, and Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
3. Rental Housing License and Inspection Program Update
Wolff provided an update to the Council on the rental inspection program. There was discussion over the recommendations and concerns voiced by several landlords. These concerns included the need for non-removable battery smoke detectors, qualified inspections done by MSHDA being acceptable for the Village, and the requirement that the landlords provide solid waste removal service.

New Business

1. 2008 Planning & Zoning Report
A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded, to accept the 2008 Planning and Zoning Report as presented. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Torgerson thanked the members of the Planning Commission for their work and time given to the Village.
2. Isabella County Community Composting Program
There was discussion over the request from Isabella County to form a community composting program. The Council agreed to sign the letter of interest and continue to work on a local program for Lake Isabella.

Public Comments

- Richard A. Cook of Weidman: Questioned if the Village would be exploring other options for plowing in 2009-2010 as he felt the performance was not up to expectations early in the winter, especially in terms of clearing width of the roadway. *Grey asked how long our contract with Mt. Pleasant Excavating was for. Wolff replied that the contract is opened ended. He further stated with over four feet snow in the month of December alone problems would have likely existed regardless of who plowed. He stated that Mt. Pleasant Excavating has shown marked improvement as the winter has continued, and he feels that service should be back to previous levels for the second half of winter.*
- Dave McGrath of Queens Way: Asked if the Village has a set arrangement on when the plow trucks start in the morning and the order of streets plowed, if they could plow

earlier to help the morning traffic? *Wolff replied that the contract with Mt. Pleasant Excavating is the same as it was with Wilcox Excavating. There is no set time in the agreement as weather conditions vary with each storm and need to be managed on an individual basis. He stated that the Village plows the Major Streets before the Local Streets, that policy has not changed with the new company.*

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 7:42 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – March 17, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson

Members Excused: Kiel

A motion was made by Pattison, which was seconded by Miller, to approve the Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded by Griffin, to approve the consent agenda as presented which included the following items of business; invoices and disbursements (checks 10,056 through 10,083), the Balance Sheet, the Investment Report, the Income/Expense Report, minutes from the February 17, 2009 Village Council meeting, minutes of the February 17, 2009 Finance Committee meeting, approval of bond payments due on April 1st, and the approval to close the LSSAPP Construction Fund checking account with Isabella Bank & Trust. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports

- The Village Manager reported to the Council on the following items. The resignation of Roger Kerr from the Planning Commission, the Village's bi-annual loss control meeting with the Michigan Municipal League, and the various e-mails received by the Village.
- Hiither briefly reported on the LIPOA. He discussed the plan to have an Easter egg hunt on Saturday April 11th. He also informed the Council that the LIPOA will be purchasing phosphorous free fertilizer for sale again this year.

Public Comments

- None

Public Hearings

- None

Existing Business

1. Unbuildable Lots Update

Wolff provided an update to the Council regarding the unbuildable lots. He discussed the upcoming mailing to gain lot owner permission for water testing in Lake Isabella Airpark and Canterbury Estates. Once samples have been obtained and submitted to an independent lab for testing, the required geotechnical information requested by the DEQ will have been obtained. He also discussed the process for the independent review of the decentralized wastewater study for southern Lake Isabella. He outlined a process which would have interested firms submit qualifications to the Council for the April

meeting with the Council selecting finalists for bidding the review out to at the May meeting. This would allow the Village to select a firm at the June meeting and hopefully have this firm meet with the Village and Rowe Professional Services in July when Rowe's report is completed. He also reported that at the April meeting the Council will have a proposed final draft of the lot swapping plan for Lake Isabella North to consider.

2. Resolution 2008-27: Village Council Rules & Procedures Update

After discussion regarding the proposed changes from the December meeting, a motion was made by Pattison, which was seconded by Miller, to return Resolution 2008-27 from being tabled. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded by Pattison, to adopt Resolution 2008-27 which amends the Village Council Rules and Procedures, as amended. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business

1. 2009 – 2010 Budget Discussion

The Council discussed the upcoming 2009 – 2010 budget. There was discussion over the Village creating a community composting program. Wolff reported that he had recently met with representatives from the Isabella County Materials Recovery Facility who are interested in forming a county composting program. His recommendation to the Council is for the Village to pursue the county program, and amend the burning ordinance to allow residents to burn brush. Leaves would still need to be taken to the MRF. As an alternative the Village could further investigate developing a bagged leaf collection program. The Village would collect bagged leaves which have a tag on certain dates. The tag would be purchased from the Village Hall; proceeds from the tag sales would be used to support the program. The Council requested that a proposed change to the Village's burning ordinance be presented at the next Council meeting. Wolff also discussed developing more community promotion items and events in the upcoming budget.

2. 2009 Independence Day Fireworks

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Griffin, to approve the proposed contract for the 2009 Independence Day Fireworks. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Major Street Speed Limit Study

Wolff presented a preliminary study outlining the need to further review the posted speed limit on El Camino Grande and Queens Way. Wolff outlined a process where the Village would complete the preliminary study and data collection, submit them to the Isabella County Sheriff's Department and Michigan State Police with the intention of coordinating an enforcement period, then recollecting data once the enforcement campaign has been completed.

Lacca commented that he feels the Village needs to enact measures which control the speed before the Village raises the speed limit, and the preliminary data submitted to the Council shows there is a real problem with speeding on these two streets.

Grey questioned whether raising the speed limit would in turn make people drive faster.

Wolff stated that studies conducted by the Michigan State Police show that people drive at speeds they are safe for the environment more than the speed posted.

Torgerson stated that he feels the matter needs to be considered as if the speed limit is too low, it will only encourage people to speed as they will see it as unrealistic.

4. 2009 Michigan Land Bank Conference

The Council reviewed the upcoming Michigan Land Bank Conference. The Village has been working with the Isabella County Treasurer to develop a Land Bank in Isabella County. Wolff stated that he is unable to attend due to training he is attending in Lansing on the same day and asked if any of the Council members wanted to attend.

Public Comments

- John Urban of Weidman asked if the Village had received any money from the stimulus bill yet. Wolff reported that the Village had not, but stated that the Village is pursuing Charter Communications to apply for a grant to upgrade the cable system at Lake Isabella. He also reported on the status of public safety and transportation funding from the stimulus package.

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Pattison, to enter into closed session at 8:10 PM as allowed by the Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267 of 1976, MCL section 15.268 (d) to consider the purchase of real property. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Griffin, which was seconded by Lacca, to leave closed session at 9:13 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Griffin, Lacca, Miller, Pattison, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 9:14 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – April 21, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Grey, Kiel, Lacca, Miller, & Torgerson

Members Excused: Griffin and Pattison

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Lacca, to approve the Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Kiel, Lacca, Miller, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Kiel, to approve the consent agenda as presented which included the following items of business; invoices and disbursements (checks 10,084 through 10,108 and checks issued for April 1st Bond Payments), the Balance Sheet, the Investment Report, the Income/Expense Report, minutes from the March 17, 2009 Village Council meeting, minutes of the April 14, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, minutes from the 5:00 PM April 13, 2009 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, minutes from the 6:41 PM April 13, 2009 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Kiel, Lacca, Miller, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports

- The Village Manager reported to the Council on the following items. Notice of the bankruptcy filing of Charter Communications, water testing for Lake Isabella Airpark and Canterbury Estates and the Request for Qualifications relating to work on the unbuildable lots, and code enforcement.
- Hiither briefly reported on the LIPOA. He discussed the Easter egg hunt on Saturday April 11th and the annual meeting on May 2nd.

Public Comments

- None

Public Hearings

- None

Existing Business

1. Resolution 2009-02; Unbuildable Lots, Lake Isabella North Lot Swapping Plan

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Grey, to adopt Resolution 2009-02 as presented. The resolution creates a proposed plan to address areas of potentially unsuitable conditions for on-site well and septic systems in Lake Isabella North by swapping Village owned properties for unsuitable lots. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Kiel, Lacca, Miller, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Resolution 2009-03; Resolution 3 of 4 for the Broomfield Twp Fire/Rescue Special Assessment Renewal

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Lacca, to adopt Resolution 2009-03 as presented. The resolution is the third of four resolutions in the process of renewing the special assessment district in Broomfield Township to provide Fire and Rescue services. It files the special assessment roll, and sets a public hearing for the May Village Council meeting to confirm the roll. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Grey, Kiel, Lacca, Miller, & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Tax Foreclosed Property; 22-066-00-212-00

The Council discussed the tax foreclosed property on Par Drive. In summary the foreclosure of the property has created a non-conformity in the zoning code. The Village has attempted to resolve this matter with Isabella County prior to the upcoming tax sale without resolve. Wolff presented the Council with several options on how to proceed. After discussion the Council directed Wolff to have an affidavit drafted to be filed with the Register of Deeds and send notice to the County on the Village's intent to file the affidavit and take legal action against any future owner who intends to use the property in a non-conforming manner.

New Business

1. Introduction of Proposed Ordinance 2009-01; Burning Regulations

Proposed ordinance 2009-01 was introduced and a public hearing scheduled for the May Village Council meeting without objection.

2. Introduction of Proposed Ordinance 2009-02; Sign Regulation

Proposed ordinance 2009-02 was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission for comments without objection.

3. Planning Commission Appointment

The Council discussed the two applicants for the current opening on the Planning Commission. There were no objections from the Council to either member. Torgerson stated he would review the applications further and make an appointment.

Public Comments

- None

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:05 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – May 19, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson

Members Excused: None

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Miller, to approve the Agenda with the addition of New Business #5 “2009 Fireworks Permit.” ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Kiel, to approve the consent agenda as presented which included the following items of business; invoices and disbursements (checks 10,109 through 10,148), the Balance Sheet, the Investment Report, the Income/Expense Report, minutes from the April 21, 2009 Village Council meeting, and a bond payment in the amount of \$27,125 to Firstbank of Mt. Pleasant for the MDOT bonds. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports

- The Village Manager reported to the Council on the following items: DTE’s clean-up work from the natural gas project, an upcoming meeting with Consumer’s Energy regarding build out of natural gas to the remaining portions of southern and eastern Lake Isabella, code enforcement, upcoming bid projects, and the May Planning Commission meeting.
- Hiither reported on the LIPOA annual meeting from early May. He also reported on the tentative start date for lake treatment and the general course of action that Savin Lake & Pond is using this spring.

Public Comments

- Elmer Ledbetter of Red Fox Court: Questioned when the lines on Clubhouse Drive would be painted. Torgerson replied that it was part of the 2009-2010 budget.
- Richard Pollion of Clubhouse Drive: Complained that leaves are being dumped in the ditch near 1108 Clubhouse Drive.

Public Hearings

1. Resolution 2009-04; Resolution 4 of 4 for the Broomfield Twp Fire/Rescue Special Assessment Renewal

Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:13 PM

Public Comment/Objections:

- Letters of Objection were received by Kim Fox and John Urban.

- Elmer Ledbetter of Red Fox Court: Stated that he feels it is important to keep our current fire and rescue protection from Nottawa-Sherman.
- Jack West of Circle Drive: Asked what the current service level is, and that fire and rescue services are important.
- Larry Hiither of Queens Way: Spoke in favor of renewing the special assessment district.

Torgerson closed the public hearing at 7:18 PM

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Pattison, to adopt Resolution 2009-04 to confirm the special assessment roll, thereby renewing the fire/rescue service agreement for Broomfield Township residents/parcels located within Lake Isabella. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Proposed Ordinance 2009-01: Regulation of Burning & Smoke

Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:20 PM

Public Comment/Objections:

- Elmer Ledbetter of Red Fox Court: Discussed his current burning.
- Carl Vogel of Barcelona: Questions whether a camp fire would still be permitted: Wolff replied that under the proposed regulations burning would be more permissive in the Village. Specifically, camp fires, cooking fires, and the burning of brush would be permitted.

Torgerson closed the public hearing at 7:27 PM

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded by Griffin, to adopt Ordinance 2009-01. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Existing Business

1. Unbuildable Lots Update & Citizen Requests

Wolff provided an update to the Council on the unbuildable lots. He reported that water tests were taken in Lake Isabella Airpark and Canterbury Estates in late April. The Village had recently been provided a copy of the results of the tests, which were favorable to on-site potable water. He reported that he would be working with Rowe to finalize the data to submit to the Central Michigan District Health Department to request the restrictions in Airpark and Canterbury Estates be lifted.

He also shared with the Council two citizen requests that were reviewed by the Planning Commission at the May meeting.

The first request was to amend the zoning ordinance to allow a gazebo to be built as a standalone structure without a conforming primary structure. He reported that several concerns were voiced by the Planning Commission and he would be working on an ordinance draft for them to consider.

The second request was to consider the possibility of allowing an unbuildable lot to be serviced by a private septic system across the street from the unbuildable lot. Wolff reported that the Planning Commission was unanimous in their opposition to this request.

2. Selection of Finalists: Peer Review Decentralized Wastewater Feasibility Study

The Council was presented with information from firms interested in conducting the peer review of the decentralized wastewater feasibility study being conducted by Rowe Professional Services for Lake Isabella South and Lake Isabella Golf Estates II.

After discussion the following firms were selected to invite to bidding on the project.

- Jones & Henry - Kalamazoo, MI
- SCS Systems LLC - Haslett, MI
- Gourdie-Fraser – Traverse City, MI
- Williams & Beck – Rockford, MI
- Sierra G & E – Kent City, MI

New Business

1. Tee Drive, Birdie Drive & Par Drive Drainage

There was discussion over drainage issues on Birdie Drive, Par Drive, and Tee Drive. Wolff presented a plan to clear and shape several ditches in the area to see if it improves drainage. He also presented examples of some long term solutions to make storm water retention sites as an alternative to consider.

2. Urban Deer Management

Wolff presented three citizen requests to have the Village take action to manage the deer herd in western Lake Isabella. He provided the Council with examples of Grand Haven's program, and recommended that before a cull occurs that a Task Force be created for residents to participate in the process. The Council discussed addressing this issue as part of a work session this summer.

3. Resolution 2009-05; Asset Management Plan

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Pattison, to adopt Resolution 2009-05 which creates an asset management program for the transportation infrastructure of the Village. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. 2009 – 2010 Budget & Capital Improvement Plan Discussion

There was a discussion over the upcoming budget. Wolff reported that General Fund Revenue is projected to be down less than 5% from the previous year. He also reported that the street funds are expected to have 80% of the revenue from the 2007-2008 fiscal year. He reported that he would be working with the Finance Committee to finalize the budget for the June meeting.

5. 2009 Fireworks Permit

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Kiel, to approve the permit for the 2009 July 4th Fireworks. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Comments

- Elmer Ledbetter of Red Fox Court: Discussed deer issues in his area of the village.

- Dave McGrath of Queens Way: Commented on the deer being a problem in his neighborhood and his support of action being taken.
- George Colby of Carmen Drive: Asked what the status of Duquesa Road was. Wolff replied that the “road” is outside of the Village limits, and that it needs to be addressed by Sherman Township. He also stated that this was the position taken by the Road Commission.

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:41 PM.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jeffrey P. Grey".

Jeffrey P. Grey
Lake Isabella Village Clerk

Village of Lake Isabella
Village Council Minutes
Work Session – June 5, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson

Members Excused: None

Public Comments

- None

Discussion

Wolff presented options to the Council regarding Public Safety options. There was discussion over the different options for the Village to consider. There was also discussion over the need for additional public safety services in the Village. As a possible option, there was discussion about partnering with another local jurisdiction to jointly fund a full time officer with the Sheriff's Department to be split among the Village and the other jurisdiction. The Council was in agreement that further discussion is needed at a later date.

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 7:07 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – June 15, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson

Members Excused: None

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Miller, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which included the following items: Bills to be Paid, the Balance Sheet, the Income/Expense Report, Minutes of the May 19, 2009 Village Council Regular Meeting, Minutes of the June 4, 2009 Village Council Work Session, minutes of the May 12, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, and the minutes of the June 9, 2009 Planning Commission meeting; ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports

- Village Manager Wolff reported to the Council on the following items: The public meeting being held by Consumers Energy regarding natural gas expansion in southern and eastern Lake Isabella, code enforcement, the rental inspection program, and July 4th Fireworks.
- LIPOA President Hiither reported on treating the lake for weeds, testing for e-coli, the 5k run on the 4th of July, and the annual picnic on July 18th.

Public Comments

- Larry Hiither of Queens Way: Shared two concerns that were voiced by residents in his district regarding blight.

Public Hearings

1. Resolution 2009-06; General Appropriation Act, 2009-2010 Budget, 2009-2010 Millage Levy, and Capital Improvement Plan

Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:28 PM

Public Comment/Objections: None

Wolff presented the budget to the Council. There was consensus of the Council to include pages 5, 7, and 8 in the next newsletter.

Torgerson closed the public hearing at 7:51 PM

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Pattison, to adopt Resolution 2009-06 as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Existing Business

1. Unbuildable Lots Update & Citizen Requests

Wolff provided an update to the Council on the unbuildable lots. He reported that the Village submitted an official application for Plat Review based on the soil and water tests conducted for Lake Isabella Airpark and Canterbury Estates.

2. Sign Ordinance Draft

The Council was presented with the changes from the Planning Commission to the Sign Ordinance draft. There was discussion over how to proceed. The Council asked for Wolff to convene 2 or 3 focus groups to receive additional feedback on the draft. Wolff recommended that 1 group be for business owners, and 2 be for non-business owners.

New Business

1. Approval of Bid/Award of Contract: 2009 Summer Crack Sealing

A motion was made by Pattison, which was seconded by Kiel, to award the 2009 Summer Crack Sealing project to Scodeller Construction of Wixom, MI in the amount of \$34,470. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Approval of Bid/Contract Award: 2009 Road Painting

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Miller, to award the 2009 Summer Road Painting project to Michigan Pavement Markings of Grandville, MI in the amount of \$0.05 per foot, plus \$460 for crosswalks and to waive the requirement for a minimum of three bids as only two were submitted for the project. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Comments

- None

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:09 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

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Village Council Minutes
Work Session – June 16, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Pattison, Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson

Members Excused: None

Public Comments

- None

Discussion

Master Plan

The Council discussed the need to update the Village's Master Plan. The Plan was last updated in 2005. Since then, most of the goals laid forth in the plan have been realized. There was lengthy discussion over the need to conduct a new community survey. The Council reviewed the survey done by the City of Flushing.

There was also discussion over the ability to fund current and future services. The Council discussed the need to be more proactive in making the case that with the reduction in revenue from the state and 1 Mill tax cap the Village is limited in the services it can provide.

Village Cemetery

The Council reviewed the concept plan for a Village cemetery as drafted by Planning Commission Chairman Dunham. There was discussion about moving the location more westerly along the Village owned lots in Lake Isabella North.

Airport Grant

The Council reviewed the position of MDOT with respect to the remaining grant balance for the airport. Manager Wolff offered to send a letter to MDOT with a drop-dead date that unless otherwise provided by MDOT the position of the Village would be accurate.

Deer Herd

There was further discussion over the deer herd and options for managing the herd.

Gilmore Park/County Water System

There was discussion over accepting the Forest II water system operated by Isabella County. The position of the Village is that it would be considered if Isabella County also were to include Gilmore Park in the deal.

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 6:05 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – July 21, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson

Members Excused: Pattison

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Kiel, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

Reports

- Village Manager Wolff reported to the Council on the following items: Fireworks donations, his annual review, code enforcement, and recent form based zoning training in Lansing.
- LIPOA President Hiither reported on water testing results and upcoming treatment by Savin Lake & Stream.

Public Comments

- Larry Hiither of Queens Way: Thanked the Village for the clearing of brush from road shoulders.

Existing Business

1. Unbuildable Lots Update

Steve Clark and John Tanner from Rowe Professional Services were present to update the Council on the Feasibility Study for decentralized wastewater systems in Lake Isabella South and Golf Estates II. They reported that the document will be done for the August meeting, but discussed their work to date with the Council.

Wolff reported that he was working on a document for Lake Isabella Airpark and one for Canterbury Estates which would then be endorsed by all of the stakeholders which would lift the restrictions in those two plats.

2. Tax Foreclosed Property: 1008 Par Drive

The Council received a legal opinion from counsel regarding the property and options available for the Village. Wolff recommended that the Village wait to see how the County tax sale ends up before taking further action. There was no additional action taken by the Council at this time.

New Business

1. Change in Classification Baseline Road & Bonanza Lane

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Griffin, to accept MDOT's reclassification of Baseline Road to a "local street" and Bonanza Lane to a "major street." VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0)

2. Middle Michigan Development Corporation

Wolff presented a proposal for the Village to become an investing partner in Middle Michigan Development. He recommended Village involvement between \$500 and \$1,000 annually.

A motion was made by Lacca to join MMDC at the rate of \$500 annually. The chair ruled that the motion died for lack of support.

3. Committee Appointments

Torgerson appointed, without Council objection, the following to Village boards and committees:

- Bill Dunham and Ardith Gloden each to three-year terms on the Planning Commission
- Carol Shannon to a three-year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals
- Dave McGrath to the remainder of a term expiring in 2011 to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an alternate
- John Terry and Tom Courser each to three-year terms on the Airport Advisory Board
- Bernie Baldwin to a three-year term on the TSI Committee
- Dave McGrath to the remainder of a term on the TSI Committee expiring in 2011

He also deferred his appointment authority to the Planning Commission to select their member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

4. Purchase of Property

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Grey, to enter into closed session at 8:15 PM to consider the purchase of real property. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Lacca, to leave closed session at 8:37 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

5. Salt Barn Project Bids

The Council reviewed the bids submitted for the Salt Barn construction project. An award was not made. The Council directed the Manager to seek additional bids on an alternate design which may be more economically feasible.

Public Comments

- None

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:45 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – August 18, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson

Members Excused: None

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Kiel, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which included the following items: Bills to be Paid, the Balance Sheet, the Income/Expense Report, Minutes of the July 21, 2009 Village Council Regular Meeting, the minutes of the closed session from the July 21, 2009 Village Council meeting, and the minutes of the July 28, 2009 Planning Commission meeting; ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

Reports

- The Village manager submitted his report to the Council. He addressed recent street work, citizen concerns on Crown Point and Bishop Lane, the upcoming election, and changes coming to the website.
- Steve Clark and John Tanner from Rowe Professional Services were present to present the final report of the decentralized wastewater feasibility study. There was discussion from the Council with Mr. Clark and Mr. Tanner. A complete copy of the report can be obtained at the Village Hall, or downloaded from the Village's website.

Public Hearing: Coyne Oil Sign Code Appeal

Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:56 PM.

Dave Coyne from Coyne Oil presented a request to the Council for an appeal of the interpretation of the sign code, and if the interpretation is upheld a variance from the requirements of the code. Specifically, he is appealing the opinion of the zoning administrator that the changing from a manual number display to a digital display would be an alteration, thereby requiring additional changes to the sign as the Citgo sign is non-conforming in height.

There was discussion with the applicant about whether other signs and sizes were considered. Mr. Coyne replied that due to the extra cost of footings for the site due to high groundwater, they would like to modify the existing sign due to the cost they incurred for the footings.

Mr. Coyne also stated that the sign would only display one price if modified, not three.

Scott Slasor (co-applicant) also commented on the safety concerns they have due to the curve in Coldwater Road. Landa Fostich (co-applicant) commented on the number of transaction that occur daily at the gas station, and that the traffic volume factors into the need to safely change prices on the gas sign.

Public Comments:

Dave Ochander of Fairway Drive: Commented that any changes should also make the sign lower in height, and aesthetically more compatible with the plaza.

With no further public comments, Torgerson closed the public hearing at 8:19 PM.

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Kiel, to deny the first request and to uphold the interpretation of the ordinance. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

Miller commented that she would like to revisit the site and take action on the second request the following month.

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Griffin, to deny the appeal of the sign code to allow an alteration of a non-conforming sign which does not bring the sign into greater conformity with the ordinance. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

Public Comments

- None

Existing Business

1. Resolution 2009-07: Code Enforcement Procedures

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Miller, to adopt Resolution 2009-07 which establishes a set of procedures for ordinance enforcement and duties/responsibilities for code enforcement personnel. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0)

New Business

1. Resolution 2009-08: Single Parcel Special Assessment Districts

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Kiel, to adopt Resolution 2009-08 which establishes creates Single Parcel Special Assessment Districts 2009-01, 2009-02, and 2009-03 and sets a public hearing for the September meeting to recover costs incurred for abating a public nuisance. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0)

2. Introduction of Ordinances 2009-03, 2009-04, 2009-07, 2009-08, and 2009-09

Proposed ordinances 2009-03, 2009-04, 2009-07, 2009-08, and 2009-09 were introduced and a public hearing set for the September meeting.

3. September Village Council Meeting

Due to the September 15th General Election the Village Council moved its meeting date to September 22nd next month.

4. Designation of Voting Delegate: MML Annual Convention

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded, to designate Village Manager Wolff as Lake Isabella's voting delegate for the annual MML business meeting. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0)

Public Comments

- Mike Scherba of Lincoln Drive: Thanked the Council for upholding the standards of the sign code.

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Pattison, to enter into closed session at 8:42 PM as allowed under MCL 15.268(a) to conduct the annual performance evaluation of the Village Manager. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0)

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Grey, to end the closed session at 9:26 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0)

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 9:27 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella
Village Council Minutes
Special Meeting – September 1, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Lacca, Grey, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson

Members Excused: Kiel

Public Comments

- None

Business

1. Salt Barn Bids – Award of Contract

A motion was made by Pattison, which was seconded by Griffin, to accept the bid from JBS Contracting of Mt. Pleasant, in the amount of \$70,301 to construct a 36' x 40' salt storage facility. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0)

2. Resolution 2009-09: Installment Purchase Agreement

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Lacca, to adopt Resolution 2009-09 which creates an installment purchase agreement with the Village of Lake Isabella, Isabella Bank, and JBS Contracting to construct a 36' x 40' salt storage facility. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0)

3. Property Purchase

A motion was made by Pattison, which was seconded by Miller, to purchase a 0.92 acre parcel from Ed's Property Investment LLC, 201 S. Coldwater Road in the amount of \$5,000 plus closing, recording, and title insurance costs. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Griffin, Miller, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: Grey None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-1-0)

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 1:20 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

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Regular Meeting – September 22, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Village President Pro-Tempore Dan Pattison and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison

Members Excused: Torgerson

The agenda was approved with the addition of “Property Purchase Agreement” after the second occurrence of Public Comment as presented without objection.

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Griffin, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which included the following items: Bills to be Paid, the Balance Sheet, the Income/Expense Report, Approval of October 1 Bond Payments, minutes of the August 18, 2009 Village Council Regular Meeting, minutes of the September 1, 2009 Village Council meeting, minutes of the August 8, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, and the minutes of the September 8, 2009 Planning Commission meeting; ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

Reports

- The Village manager submitted his report to the Council. He addressed year to date permits and code enforcement, unbuildable lots, the salt barn project, and the Master Plan focus groups.
- The LIPOA report was presented by Hiither. He highlighted the lake treatment this year, and the upcoming Hay Ride for this October.

Public Hearings:

1. Proposed Resolution 2009-10: Single Parcel Special Assessment Districts

Pattison opened the public hearing at 7:15 PM

Public Comment: None

Pattison closed the public hearing at 7:16 PM

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Miller, to adopt resolution 2009-10. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

2. Proposed Ordinance 2009-03: Regulation of Funneling

Pattison opened the public hearing at 7:17 PM

Public Comment: None

Lacca questioned if the ordinance would have prevented the recent property line adjustments made to a parcel on El Camino. Wolff discussed the adjustments and

ordinance, and stated that the intent of the ordinance was to regulate future plats and condo developments more so than single parcels.

Pattison closed the public hearing at 7:23 PM

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Kiel, to adopt ordinance 2009-03. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

3. Proposed Ordinance 2009-04: Fence Regulation Update

Pattison opened the public hearing at 7:24 PM

Public Comment:

- Brad Sims of Clubhouse Drive: questioned the current fence regulations and why the property owners association denies permits approved by the Village.
- Larry Hiither of Queens Way: stated that it was situations like that with Sims that brought to light the need to review the regulations.

Pattison, Kiel, and Miller all questioned whether or not the Village presently has the resources to enforce the ordinance as presented. They also questioned if enforcing the draft would be the best use of public funds.

Grey stated that he believes the Village has the ability to enforce the ordinance.

Lacca stated that he feels the regulations should focus on appearance.

Pattison closed the public hearing at 7:39 PM

A motion was made by Lacca, seconded by Kiel, to table action on proposed ordinance 2009-04 until the October meeting. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

4. Proposed Ordinance 2009-07: Rental Code Update

Pattison opened the public hearing at 7:40 PM

Public Comment: None

Pattison closed the public hearing at 7:41 PM

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Lacca, to adopt ordinance 2009-07. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

5. Proposed Ordinance 2009-08: Animal Control Code Adoption

Pattison opened the public hearing at 7:42 PM

Public Comment: None

Pattison closed the public hearing at 7:43 PM

A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Kiel, to adopt ordinance 2009-08. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

6. Proposed Ordinance 2009-09: Vehicle and Parking Code Amendment

Pattison opened the public hearing at 7:44 PM

Public Comment:

- George Colby of Carmen Drive: Questioned what the changes were in the ordinance.

Pattison closed the public hearing at 7:47 PM

A motion was made by Grey, seconded by Griffin, to adopt ordinance 2009-09. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

Public Comments

- Dan Grisdale of Crown Point: Discussed the petition he signed seeking action to reduce the size of the deer herd at Lake Isabella.

Existing Business

1. Deer Management

The Council reviewed a petition submitted by 34 residents voicing concerns over the deer population in the Village. Wolff reported that he has made several attempts to contact the DNR for help in establishing a deer management program but has not received any assistance. There was discussion regarding the Village's ability to address the issue. Wolff suggested that the Village and LIPOA work together to develop a long range plan to address the current over population and domestication of the herd. This item was referred to the Liaison Committee.

2. Village Manager Contract Renewal

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Miller, to approve the Village Manager's contract extension effective July 1, 2010. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

New Business

1. Resolution 2009-11: Senate Bill 737

A motion was made by Grey, seconded by Lacca, to adopt resolution 2009-11 which expresses the Village's support of SB 737. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

2. Lake Isabella Municipal Airport Naming Request

The Council was presented with letters from the family of Cal Brewer requesting the Village consider naming the Airport in his honor. This item was referred to the Airport Advisory Committee.

3. Liaison Committee Meeting Date & Time

Monday, October 05, 2009 at 3:00 PM was set for the Liaison Committee meeting. The Village placed the following items on the agenda for discussion; Deer Management

Plan, Tax Foreclosed Property Update, and a discussion over a community center at the request of Councilman Grey.

Public Comments

- Larry Hiither of Queens Way: Commented that he feels there is an over population of deer at Lake Isabella.
- Dave McGrath of Queens Way: Stated that he didn't sign the petition, but would have if it was presented to him regarding the deer herd.

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Miller, to enter into closed session at 8:19 PM to consider the purchase of property. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

A motion was made by Miller, which was seconded by Grey, to end the closed session at 8:40 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Miller, & Pattison; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:41 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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Dan Pattison, Village President Pro-Tempore

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – October 20, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson

Members Excused: Miller

A motion was made by Pattison, seconded by Lacca, to accept the agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Griffin, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which included the following items: Bills to be Paid, the Balance Sheet, the Income/Expense Report, minutes of the September 22, 2009 Village Council meeting, minutes of the October 13, 2009 Planning Commission meeting; ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

Reports

- The Village manager submitted his report to the Council. He discussed the progress on the Village's salt barn project.
- The LIPOA report was presented by Hiither. He discussed the planned hay-ride and bon fire.

Public Hearings:

- None

Public Comments

- Larry Stephens of SCS Systems introduced himself to the Council.
- Mike Scherba of Lincoln Drive: Discussed the report from Savin Lake & Stream that was presented at the LIPOA meeting, including the pros and cons of lowering the lake.

Existing Business

1. Proposed Ordinance 2009-04 Fences

Proposed Ordinance 2009-04, tabled at the September meeting, was returned to Existing Business.

The Council conducted a "mark up" of the proposed ordinance to generate comments to submit to the Planning Commission.

There was discussion over the 3' threshold for regulation in the ordinance, with a possible alternative being that the ordinance covers anything over two feet in height.

There was discussion over the practice of fences in the right-of-way. A possible alternative suggestion was to allow limited types of fences at limited locations, only after the property owner submits a liability waiver to the Village.

The Council expressed concerns over the readability of regulations in 1227.07. Wolff suggested making it into a table.

Torgerson questioned whether or not the term “Dumpster” was defined in the zoning ordinance.

Griffin questioned the height allowances and why walls around dumpsters were exempt.

Lacca asked how the privacy panels regulations were put in place, and whether or not 16’ sections were too long.

Kiel expressed concerns over the ability to enforce the section on garden fences. Grey stated his belief that the section was enforceable and would not be a burden to the residents or Village staff trying to enforce it.

There was discussion over the location of a fence with respect to the property line. Wolff suggested a possible alternative of requiring a large setback (10 to 15 feet) unless certain provisions are met, then the fence could be put within that setback, but only on the property line.

Pattison stated that he feels there should be one set of regulations between the Village and LIPOA. He stated he would not support anything that did not unify the regulations, and that the Village should not adopt the current LIPOA fence regulations.

Griffin stated his belief that the matter of fences is best left up to the LIPOA to administer.

With no further comment, Ordinance 2009-04 was returned to the Planning Commission without objection.

2. Unbuildable Lots: Peer Review

The Village received sealed proposals from 5 pre-qualified firms to conduct a peer review of the feasibility study done by Rowe. After discussion, about the proposals, a motion was made by Pattison, seconded by Griffin, to award the peer review project to SCS Systems of Haslett, MI in the amount of \$7,630. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0-0).

3. Unbuildable Lots: Lake Isabella North Lots

The Council reviewed the lots owned by the Village in Lake Isabella North. The Village Manager was directed to try and make contact with the owners of lots 293 and 335 about trading or selling them to the Village.

4. Master Plan Focus Groups

The Council reviewed the feedback from the Master Plan Focus Groups. There was discussion over further action. Wolff suggested that the Village pursue an on-line survey and mail a notice to all property owners inviting them to participate in the survey. Kiel questioned whether a newsletter was the best means to do this. After discussion the Council directed the Manager to use postcards to notify the property owners.

New Business

1. Trick-or-Treating Hours

A motion was made by Pattison, seconded by Lacca, to set the Village’s trick-or-treating hours as 5-7 PM. VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

Public Comments

- Mike Scherba of Lincoln Drive: commented on the selection of SCS Systems to review the study done by Rowe, and stated he felt the Village was working in the right direction with the issue of the unbuildable lots.

Due to the planned absence of 4 Council members, the November 17th meeting was canceled.

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 9:07 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President

Village of Lake Isabella

Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – December 15, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson

Members Excused: None

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Grey, to accept the agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

Griffin requested that items #6 (minutes of the November 9, 2009 ZBA Meeting), #8 (minutes of the November 13, 2009 ZBA meeting), and #9 (minutes of the November 19, 2009 ZBA meeting) be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

A motion was made by Kiel, which was seconded by Lacca, to approve the remaining Consent Agenda, which included the following items: Bills to be Paid, the Balance Sheet, the Income/Expense Report, minutes of the October 20, 2009 Village Council meeting, minutes of the November 10, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, minutes of the December 8, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, and the minutes of the December 10, 2009 Airport Advisory Board minutes; ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

Griffin expressed several concerns over how the ZBA handled case 2009-06. He stated that he feels a periodic training session would be helpful, and that in his opinion the ZBA has been approving more requests than they should, and that the Board is acting against the spirit of the zoning ordinance. He stated that he felt case 2009-06 was a self-created problem, and that no variance should have been granted. He also expressed concern that the surrounding property owners were not notified of the meeting on the 13th and the meeting on the 19th.

Kiel agreed with Griffin that it might be worthwhile for the Village to bring in somebody from the MML to conduct a training session.

Lacca also agreed with Griffin and Kiel.

There was consensus of the Council for the Manager to seek proposals from the MML and other qualified sources to hold a training session for the ZBA.

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded Grey, to approve the remaining items (6, 8, & 9) from the Consent Agenda. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

Reports

- Jana Chotivkova from Yeo & Yeo was present to provide the report on the Village's FY 08-09 Audit. She reported that Yeo & Yeo encountered no problems with the audit, they have issued a clean opinion, and have no comments. She stated that the two comments

from the previous audit were removed as the Village has implemented them. There were no questions from the Council.

- The Village Manager presented a report discussing year to date permits and a historical comparison. He also discussed the unbuildable lots.

Public Hearings:

- None

Public Comments

- Dave McGrath of Queens Way: Stated that as a member of the ZBA he was dismayed by Griffin's comments. He stated that he did not feel the ZBA rolled over on case 2009-06, and that there were numerous issues which the board discussed at length. He also stated that neighbor comments alone are not grounds to act one way or another on a case.

Existing Business

1. Proposed Ordinance 2009-02: Signs

A public hearing was set for the next Council meeting.

2. Final Payment: JBS Contracting – Village Salt Barn Project

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Miller, to approve the final payment to JBS Contracting in the amount of \$42,203. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

3. Naming Request – Lake Isabella Airport

The Council received a recommendation from the Airport Advisory Board to rename the airport in honor of Cal Brewer.

Grey stated that he feels it is bad practice to start naming village property, and that Elmer Ledbetter is also somebody that should be recognized at the airport. He also stated that he likes the proposed plan of the LIPOA to have a wall of honor.

Pattison discussed his experiences with Cal Brewer.

Torgerson discussed his knowledge of how Lake Isabella used to be a hot spot for aviation due to Cal Brewer.

Lacca stated that he favors developing a wall of honor, and asked that the agenda be amended to include this as New Business #8. The agenda was amended without objection.

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Pattison, to change the airport name to "Lake Isabella – Cal Brewer Memorial Airport." ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Kiel, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: Grey & Griffin. MOTION CARRIED (5-2-0).

New Business

1. Resolution 2009-12: Installment Purchase Agreement, Ford F250 & Plow

A motion was made by Pattison, seconded by Kiel, to adopt Resolution 2009-12, which initiates an installment purchase agreement with Isabella Bank and Signature Ford for a 2010 Ford F250 4x4, with a Boss "V" plow in the amount of \$26,624, payable over 4

years at a rate of 4.25%. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

2. Resolution 2009-13: Investment Policy Amendment

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Miller, to adopt Resolution 2009-13. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

3. Nottawa-Sherman F.D. Contract Renewal: 2009-2010

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Miller, to adopt the proposed contract, and authorize payment in the amount of \$12,838. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

4. Nottawa-Sherman F.D. Contract Renewal: 2010-2011

The Council discussed the request to move the renewal date of the agreement to match the Townships fiscal year. The Council agreed in principal, but requested the Manager have the contract modified so that if the special assessment district is not renewed, the Village can opt-out of the second payment in the agreement. This item was tabled until the requested changes can be made to the agreement.

5. Proposed Ordinance 2009-05: Accessory Structures

Proposed Ordinance 2009-05 was introduced and a public hearing set for the next Council meeting.

6. January, 2010 Meetings

Due to the lack of a quorum, the January Village Council meeting was canceled.

7. Village Council Officers & Committees, 2010-2011.

A motion was made by Grey, seconded by Lacca, to retain the same officers and committee assignments for the upcoming Council terms ending in January of 2012. VOICE VOTE; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

8. Wall of Honor

Lacca stated that it was a good idea to develop a wall of honor for village residents.

Grey agreed, and stated that to his knowledge the LIPOA was working on one of just past Presidents and Managers. He questioned who would pick those to be recognized.

Miller stated that if the LIPOA is doing something already for their members, then the Village should not duplicate names, unless the recognition was unique to the Village as well.

Wolff was directed to work on this item and report back.

Public Comments

- None

A motion was made by Grey, seconded by Griffin, to enter into closed session at 8:29 PM as allowed under MCL 15.268(h). ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

A motion was made by Lacca, seconded by Griffin, to leave closed session at 9:27 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE; YEAS: Lacca, Miller, Grey, Kiel, Griffin, Pattison & Torgerson; NAYS: None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0-0).

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 9:28 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President