

Village of Elsie Council Minutes June 14, 2011

President Carie led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Councilmembers Present: Joe Ondrusek, David Heightchew, Sue Ladisky, Susanne Bensinger, Joe Menovske, Eldon Baese, and President Scott Carie.

Councilmembers Absent: None

Ex-Officios Present: Clerk, Ann Trierweiler; Treasurer, Chantal Van Atta; Chief of Police, Scott Sabo; and DPW Representative, Jim Harden.

AGENDA: Ondrusek moved, Bensinger seconded to accept the agenda with the following additions; POLICE: Full-time position; and PRESIDENT: Dairy Festival Updates, and deletion of Oath of Office for Zoning Administrator. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES: Menovske moved, Ondrusek seconded to approve the May 10, 2011 Public Hearing minutes as written. MOTION CARRIED. Menovske moved, Heightchew seconded to approve the May 10, 2011 Council minutes, as written. MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICES: Menovske moved, Baese seconded to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$104,010.15 (after removal of \$300.00 invoice for saw sharpener). MOTION CARRIED.

PRESIDENT: 1. Ladisky moved, Menovske seconded to allow EYRL to renovate pavilion # 4 to be utilized as a storage shed for their equipment. MOTION CARRIED. Menovske moved, Ondrusek seconded to pay the balance of the funds to repair the pavilion roofs. This money would be coming from investments and would be approximately \$4,400.00. MOTION CARRIED. 2. The Personnel Committee will be meeting to update the Personnel Manual. 3. The Dairy Festival Committee was available to discuss the future of the Festival. The main concern was keeping the street undamaged after the new asphalt was placed later this year. In 2011 the stage will be being moved to Pine St. in front of the old high school.

CLERK: 1. ACTION STEP: The council decided not to approve **Resolution 2011-05, transfer of liquor license from the State of Michigan** (re: Cancellation of Application of escrow account with Keusch Development, LLC) to Alibi DJ, LLC, until Mr. Keusch is contacted to find out if he has received all documentation, and if he would like to address the council at the next meeting. 2. Heightchew moved, Baese seconded to approve the appointment of Pam Dunham to the Elsie Public Library Board of Trustees. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER: Heightchew moved, Bensinger seconded to approve the May 2011 Treasurer's Report as written. MOTION CARRIED.

POLICE REPORT: 1. Heightchew moved, Baese seconded to approve the May 2011 Police Report as written. MOTION CARRIED. 2. Chief Sabo requested an update of `Code of Ordinances Chapter 14 –Noxious Weeds, including fees incurred for mowing and trimming. Public Hearings for the Ordinance change will be set for the next two meetings at 6:50 p.m. 3. Officer Speck has been hired elsewhere in a full-time position, and Chief Sabo would like to place Officer Saylor in the full-time position. The Chief was directed by the council to do what he felt was best for the department.

DPW: 1. Ladisky moved, Heightchew seconded to approve the purchase of a compressor for use at the cemetery at the cost of \$200.00. MOTION CARRIED. 2. Menovske moved, Heightchew seconded to approve the sale of the 950 tractor, with all attachments to be sold separately. Any proceeds from the sale of these items to be placed in a contingency fund for equipment improvement. MOTION CARRIED. 3. Baese moved, Heightchew seconded to approve the purchase of a mower blade sharpener, the cost not to exceed \$500.00. MOTION CARRIED. 4. Ladisky moved, Baese seconded to approve the purchase of 40 gallons of Vector 4 x 4 mosquito spray at the cost of \$1,800.00. MOTION CARRIED. 5. Ondrusek moved, Heightchew seconded to allow Larry Pearce to remove a dead ash tree that is located on Village property. MOTION CARRIED. 6. Heightchew moved, Baese seconded to approve the repair of the damage done due to a water main break on E. Main St. The repair will be completed by Spartan Asphalt at a cost of \$888.00. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: 1. There was congratulation to Gale and Sue Bensinger for being the Dairy Festival Grand Marshals. 2. Jim Harden was given kudos for the groundwork done at his home. Looking good, Jim!! 3. There was a concern with shepherd hooks being removed from the cemetery. The council stated that the DPW does not remove these items. 3. Kandy Kiger approached the council in regard to an item that was approved by the DDA prior to its dissolution. The council accepted a \$500.00 disbursement be sent to Lenon Electric of Ovid for work completed at Aquarius Massage & Wellness Center.

Menovske moved, Heightchew seconded to adjourn the June 14, 2011 Council Meeting at 8:31 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Scott E. Carie
Village President

Ann Trierweiler
Village Clerk