

**VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 2, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Village Council held at 442 N. Grand Street was called to order by President Dan DeVries at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President DeVries.

ROLL CALL:

Present: President DeVries, Trustees Clark, Gunnett, Barnes, Dailey, Tackett and Carlin.
Absent: None.
Also Present: Village Manager Cheri Lutz, Village Clerk Faith Akert, Chief Bryan Campbell, Nancy S. Owen, Jack C. Urban, Russell Lee Barnes, Ron Sagers, Jr., Tom Gill, Mark McCain and Pat Temple.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Tackett, seconded by Barnes to approve the agenda as presented. All aye.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Dailey, seconded by Tackett, to approve the Consent Agenda with the inclusion of the Schoolcraft Community Library Meeting minutes of April 3, and May 26, 2010. All aye.

CITIZEN'S ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

- a) Mr. Tom Gill stated the he is opposed to Ordinance No. 220 regarding parking in front yards. He stated that a number of people in the community are currently in violation.

Village Manager Cheri Lutz had the following comments:

- She explained that the ordinance prohibits parking in the front yard of people's homes.
- She stated that people can still park in the Village right-of-way between the road surface and the sidewalk.
- She explained that the Village will go from now forward regarding front yard parking issues.
- She stated that the Village does not actively go out to look for ordinance violations but does react to complaints and obvious violations.

President DeVries stated that gravel driveways are acceptable.

- b) Mr. Gordon Sutton appeared before the Village Council to make several comments regarding Village services, staff, and other issues.

President DeVries thanked Mr. Sutton for his comments and asked that he put them in writing for review and response.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Jack C. Urban appeared before the Village Council to request support of Resolution 2010-06. A Resolution of Support for the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail.

Motion by Carlin, seconded by Gunnett, to adopt Resolution 2010-06. A Resolution of Support for the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail.

President DeVries thanks Mr. Urban for his good work.

TABULATION OF BIDS:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

REPORTS FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION:

President DeVries called for a Meeting of the Executive Committee to be held on Monday, August 16, 2010, at 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Clark provided an update on the status of the South County Fire Authority.

Trustee Gunnett stated that he will soon have information regarding the status of the proposed sanitary sewer project.

Village Manager Cheri Lutz had the following comments:

- She stated that the owners of the abandoned gas station located on Cass and Grand Streets has until August 6th, to respond to the letter from Attorney Bob Soltis regarding demolition of their building.

- She suggested that the Village Council set a “Show Cause” hearing for September 7, 2010, to keep to process moving forward.

Motion by Tackett, seconded by Clark to set a “Show Cause” hearing for September 7, 2010. All aye.

- She stated that she has received an offer for purchase of the vacant property located at 333 Hayward Street.
- She asked the Council to consider two option for establishment of a sale price as follows:
 - Utilize a local realtor to establish a market value.
 - Have an appraisal done.

Motion by Carlin, seconded by Barnes, to contract with an appraisal for the property. All aye.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Tackett, seconded by Barnes, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Ayes: Barnes, Carlin, Clark, Dailey, and DeVries.

Nays: Gunnnett.

Faith C. Akert, Village Clerk

Daniel P. DeVries, President