

**VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT  
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
MARCH 17, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Schoolcraft Village Council was called to order by President Warfield at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: President Warfield, Trustees Mullin, Gunnett, Barnes, Dailey, Tackett and VanDyken.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Village Manager Cheri Lutz, Village Clerk Faith Akert, Police Chief Bryan Campbell, Tom Gill, Sandra Gill, Jess A. Wallace, Dorothy J. Clark, Gordon Shaw, Rob Coffman, Ira Gabin, Dee Fitzsimmons, Michelle O'Neill, Todd Carlin and Pat Temple.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Loren Warfield.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by VanDyken, seconded by Gunnett, to approve the consent agenda as presented. All aye.

**CITIZEN'S ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Mrs. Michelle O'Neill of MDOT appeared before the Council to provide information regarding the Canadian National Railroad Crossing Reconstruction Project that will take place in August, 2008. Comments as follows:
- The project is scheduled to take place in August, 2008.
  - The project will last a maximum of 10 days.
  - The detour route has been established as Eliza Street to 14<sup>th</sup> Street to XY Avenue.
  - Signage will be provided in advance of the project.

- b) Mr. Ira Gabin of Dixon Engineering appeared before the Village Council to present information pertaining to painting of the Water Tower.

Motion by Gunnett, seconded by Tackett, to approve writing of bid specifications to Dixon Engineering in the amount of \$2,800.00. All aye.

President Warfield requested that financing options for the project be presented to the Village Council at the April 7, 2008, meeting.

- c) The memorandum from Village Manager Cheri Lutz regarding Change Order #5 to Elmridge Construction was discussed.

Village Manager Cheri Lutz advised the Council that Item #1 in the amount of \$513.58 was a duplicate charge and should be deleted from the request bringing the total amount to \$1,249.08.

Motion by VanDyken, seconded by Dailey, to approve the revised Change Order #5 in the amount of \$1,249.08. All aye.

- d) The letter from Ms. Jerri French and the response letter from Village Manager Cheri Lutz was discussed.

- e) The memorandum from Village Manager Cheri Lutz regarding Recycling was discussed.

The Village Council requested that the Village Manager determine a method of checking identifications to assure that only Village Residents are utilizing the drop off center.

**TABULATION OF BIDS:**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**REPORTS FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION:**

President Warfield had the following comments:

- He acknowledged the death of DDA member Ron Harding, and highlighted his participation on various boards and acts of citizenship.
- He stated that the lawsuit against one of the Village's volunteers was dismissed.

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- He discussed a date for an Open House for the new municipal building, It was decided that we will wait until the punch list items have been completed.
- He stated that the ISO rating may or may not have an impact on property owners insurance rates.

Village Manager Cheri Lutz had the following comment:

- She stated that the staining and trim work issue has been resolved to the extent that a different company will come in and re-stain doors and trim work at the expense of Elmridge Construction.

Trustee VanDyken had the following comment:

- He stated that he would be attending the South County Fire Authority meeting on Wednesday, March 19, 2008, as a board member, and asked the council if their desire was to see a new station in the Village of Schoolcraft.

The Village Council in unison responses that they wish to have the new Fire Station remain in the Village of Schoolcraft, to be located on the West Side of Norfolk Southern Railroad Tracks.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

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Faith C. Akert, Village Clerk

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Loren Warfield, Village President