

Village of Ortonville
Township Offices – 395 Mill Street, Ortonville, MI 48462
Ortonville Village Council Meeting
April 27, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.

President Quisenberry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Green, Batten, Champion, Kassuba, Nivelt, Eschmann, Quisenberry

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager - Ed Coy, Village Clerk – Julie Alexander, Village Treasurer – Larry Brown, General Clerk – Diana Bertapelle, and approximately 2 other individuals.

Approval of Agenda:

Request to add Fireworks (New Business) – Trustee Nivelt

Request to add Volunteer Groups (New Business) – Trustee Nivelt

Motion by Trustee Kassuba, seconded by Trustee Batten, to approve the agenda with additions.
All in favor, the Motion carried.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

Minutes of the Village of Ortonville Council meeting on April 13, 2009.

No changes.

Motion by Trustee Green, seconded by Trustee Nivelt, to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2009 Village Council meeting.

All in favor, the Motion carried.

Acceptance Items:

A. Treasurer's Report – March 2009

Council reviewed.

Motion by President Quisenberry, seconded by Trustee Champion, to accept the Treasurer's Report.

All in favor, the Motion carried.

B. Brandon Township Board Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2009

Item accepted.

Disbursements:

Clarification sought for the following invoice(s):

- Scott Van Tine for \$90.00 (repair to 5 yard)
- Brandon Township \$500.00 (suggested reviewing amount based on decrease in number of inspections)

Motion by Trustee Batten, seconded by Trustee Nivelt, to approve disbursements in the amount of \$7,221.83.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Green, Batten, Champion, Kassuba, Nivelt, Eschmann, Quisenberry

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Public Comments (Agenda Items Only):

None.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

A. Rowe Professional Services Proposal – Village Manager Coy

President Quisenberry referenced correspondence in Council packets from Rowe Professional Services Company regarding the requirement for bridge inspections. It was requested that the status of Village bridge conditions be brought back to Council upon completion of the inspections. Discussion occurred over frequency and application to newer bridges. Village Manager Coy suggested getting Ball & Mill Street bridge inspections approved, and he will look into the need for an inspection on the newer South Street bridge.

Motion by Trustee Green, seconded by Trustee Champion, to approve the inspection of the Ball Street & Mill Street bridges, with the Village Manager to look into the need for an inspection on the newer South Street bridge and proceed based on Rowe’s recommendation, at \$400 per bridge.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Green, Batten, Champion, Kassuba, Nivelt, Eschmann, Quisenberry

Nays: None

Motion passed.

B. President Pro Tempore – President Quisenberry

President Quisenberry nominated Trustee Kay Green to continue in her role as President Pro Tempore.

Motion by Trustee Batten, seconded by Trustee Eschmann, to close the nominations.

All in favor, the Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Kassuba, seconded by Trustee Batten, to appoint Trustee Green as President Pro Tempore.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Green, Batten, Champion, Kassuba, Nivel, Eschmann, Quisenberry

Nays: None

Motion passed.

C. Creekfest & Summer Activities – DDA Representative, Jane Derry

Liz Waters, the Creekfest Chairperson, provided a tentative agenda for Creekfest on June 6th. She briefly described activities planned.

No action taken.

D. Bocce Ball Court Request – Senior Center Manager, Annette Beach

Annette Beach was unable to attend Council meeting. Village Manager Coy referred Council to details on the Bocce Ball Court that were included in their packets. The Senior Center will be responsible for the upkeep of the Court. No money or manpower is being requested of the Village. The Senior Center is seeking Council approval for use of Village property behind Tee ball fields.

Motion by **Trustee Green**, seconded by Trustee Nivel, to approve the Bocce Ball Court as presented.

All in favor, the Motion carried.

E. Fireworks – Trustee Nivel

Trustee Nivel inquired about the budget for fireworks. It was noted that \$700 has been budgeted for this item, as in past years. This item will appear on the disbursements report in June.

F. Volunteer Groups – Trustee Nivel

Trustee Nivel inquired as to whether Village Manager Coy had looked into arranging for volunteers to help clean up the park. Village Manager Coy noted that Justin (Donajkowski), the part-time DPW laborer, is working hard and making progress. It was suggested that the Village still look into volunteer assistance as it would not be an expense to tax payers.

Public Comments (Items not on agenda):

None.

Items from Trustees:

Trustee Kassuba requested budget workshops be scheduled. She advised Council that she will not be in attendance for the May 11th Council meeting. The scheduling of budget workshops will be on the next agenda.

Trustee Eschmann noted need for street clean up, especially on South Street. Village Manager Coy is addressing this issue.

Trustee Champion questioned the status of the Village sidewalks. It was noted that this is still a priority and will be addressed in the budget review process.

Trustee Green advised Council that there is video of the Village Skate Park on You-Tube.

President Quisenberry noted that the South Street guard rail is intact despite severe winter.

Motion by **Trustee Batten**, seconded by Trustee Green, to adjourn the Village Council meeting.
All in favor, the Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Alexander
Village of Ortonville Clerk