

# Village of Forestville

## Regular Council Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday, September 12, 2018

**Place:** 5605 Cedar St. Forestville, MI 48434

**Present:** Tim Sielaff, Ken Kolomak, Cruz Friday, Harry Barr, Amy Schweitzer, Gerald VandenBrook, Merle Dick, Tammy Kolomak, and Angela Mausolf

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Wayne Cyr, Dave Horan, Diane Hansknecht, Cindy Gullion, and Vicki Rogissart

**Call to Order:** Called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**Pledge:** Pledge of Allegiance

**Consent Agenda:** Motion made by Merle supported by Amy to accept the agenda with the August 8, 2018 Minutes. All in Favor. Motion carried.

### Treasure Report:

- Received;
  - \$3,996.50 for Act 51. \$1918.33 of that went to Major Streets and \$2078.17 went to Local Streets
  - Forestville received \$1974.00 from revenue sharing through the State of Michigan
  - The interest that Forestville earns on all of our bank accounts through Eastern Michigan Bank have risen from .050% to .30%
- Tammy reminded everyone present that the deadline for taxes to be received by the Village of Forestville is 4:00 p.m. on September 17, 2018
- Tammy asked the council to consider paying an additional payment of \$200,000.00 which will result in a savings of \$8,750.00. A motion was made by Merle, supported by Harry to make a payment in the amount of \$200,000.00 from the water bond account to be paid on the 91-06 USDA water bond. All in favor. Motion carried.
- The State of Michigan sent Forestville a letter asking for a corrective action plan in regards to our audit report. Tammy sent them a letter outlining the improvements that have been made.
- Forestville received a letter from the State of Michigan stating that we were delinquent on our Business tax, which as a municipality we do not owe, and Michigan Withholding payments. Our records indicated that we were not, Tammy called and it was a mistake on their part and has now been rectified.
- Tammy's computer has become progressively worse and attempts to repair it have not worked. Tammy presented the council with two bids, the one from AVCI was \$725.00 and one from Best Buy was \$499.99. Tim asked that Tammy look into purchasing a similar

computer from Staples as the village has a credit card with them. Tammy also mentioned that she would also need an updated version of Microsoft Windows which would cost between \$50.00 and \$100.00. A motion was made by Merle, supported by Harry to purchase a new computer and Microsoft Office Software. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Tammy asked when the council would like the Porta Johns removed from the park and beach, typically they are removed around the first of October and it was decided to continue that tradition.
- A motion was made by Merle, supported by Gerald to set the trick or treat hours for 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 31, 2018.
- Tammy called Air Advantage to remind them that they are behind \$1750.00 on the tower rent and was told a check would be in the mail.
- The DPW department will be flushing the hydrants the first and second week of October.
- Mr. Licus' case against the Village of Forestville was dismissed.
- **Motion to accept the Treasures Report was made by Merle, supported by Amy. All in Favor. Motion Carried.**

#### **Clerk Report:**

- Call one is on track. We had an issue with our test calls a few months ago so the company was contacted to review our options and it was decided that we would continue with our current plan.
- In August there were 24 delinquent post cards sent and no shutoffs. There were 11 delinquent post cards sent in September.
- Ms. Linda Flood inquired as to whether she could hook into our sewer system as she is located a short distance out of town. Tim has started the process to see if that will be feasible.
- We received a resignation letter from Mrs. Diane Hansknect who has been a valued member of our Planning Commission for many years. A motion was made by Harry supported by Cruz to accept, with great regret, Diane's resignation. All in favor. Motion carried. Tim thanked Diane for her many years of dedicated service.
- Mrs. Lucinda Gullion graciously offered to fill the vacant seat on the Planning Commission. A motion was made by Cruz, supported by Merle to appoint Cindy to the Planning Commission as a member at large. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Regarding the broken curb stop at 6114 Sanilac St, as well as two others that came to our attention this past month located at 7784 and 7788 Lake St, our DPW was able to use a universal cap rather than having to excavate and replace the tube. As these were all damaged as a result of the homeowner's contractor's actions the homeowners will be billed for the universal cap. They retail for \$20.00 apiece.

#### **DPW / Waste Water Management**

- The booster station pumped approximately 2,673,00 gallons, the high number is due in part to a water leak in Forester Township, and the lift station pumped approximately 126,000 gallons for the month.
- A new seal has been installed in pump #1 from the Huron lift station and it is operating correctly.

**Street Report**

- The street lights are all working properly.
- Ken reported that the Annual Mileage Certification for Act 51, from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, has been approved.

**Planning Commission:**

- In August the Planning Commission was given copies of the current water and sewer ordinances to review and update.
- In September the Planning Commission accepted the water and sewer ordinance with a minor change. There was a discussion regarding any other ordinances that should be considered before this draft is finalized and submitted. Cruz requested that we consider an ordinance to deter speeding through town.

**Zoning Report:**

- Mr. Edward McCauley plans to buy a piece of property at a tax sale that adjoins his property and would like to know if the village would consider vacating an easement. Tim has discussed it with Mr. McCauley and told him that he, as the property owner, will have to petition the council.

**Old Business:**

- The thermostat that was discussed at previous meetings has been moved.
- The modems have been upgraded from 3G to 4G, as planned.
- The transfer switch has been replaced in the generator and Tim has delivered the manual switch to the person was slated to purchase it we are just waiting on payment for that.
- The beach cleaning went well.

**New Business****Public Comment:**

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 pm**

**Respectively Submitted,**

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**Angela Mausolf**  
Village Clerk

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**Tim Sielaff**  
President