

Village of Forestville

Regular Council Meeting

Date: Wednesday, November 12, 2018

Place: 5605 Cedar St. Forestville, MI 48434

Present: Tim Sielaff, Ken Kolomak, Cruz Friday, Amy Schweitzer, Wayne Cyr, Tammy Kolomak, and Angela Mausolf

Absent: Gerald Vanden Brook and Harry Barr, both with notice

Guests: Kevin Schweitzer, Cathy Vanden Brook, Lucinda Gullion, Becka Holdwick, Karen Cyr, and Christa Sielaff

Call to Order: Called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge: Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Amy supported by Cruz to accept the agenda with the October 10, 2018 Minutes. All in Favor, motion carried.

At this time Tim Sielaff was sworn in following his election as Village President and Amy Schweitzer, Ken Kolomak, and Wayne Cyr were sworn in following their election as Trustees.

Treasure Report:

- Received;
 - \$3,043.17 for Act 51. \$1,460.75 of that went to Major Streets and \$1,582.42 went to Local Streets
 - Due to a change in law Forestville was issued a second Act 51 check in the amount of \$2,413.99 which was added to the local street fund in anticipation of repairs that will be needed on Maple St.
 - A payment in the amount of \$31,594.11 was credited to Forestville's USDA loan. The additional payment of \$200,000 has been credited and that will show on the December statement.
- It was decided to hold the budget meeting and the regular meeting on February 20, 2019 and Tim asked that the council consider projects that they would like to see completed in the upcoming year so that they can be included in the budget.
- Proposed holiday closures and meeting dates were submitted to the council.

2019 Holiday Closures

January 1	April 19	May 27	July 4 & 5
September 2	November 28 & 29	December 24, 25, & 31	

2019 Village Council Meeting Dates

January 9 February 20 March 13 April 10
May 8 June 12 July 10 August 14
September 11 October 9 November 13 December 11

All meetings will take place at 7:00 p.m. at 5605 Cedar Street in Forestville.

- **Motion to accept the Treasure's Report was made by Wayne, supported by Amy. All in Favor, motion Carried.**

Clerk Report:

- The Clerk asked if Tim, Amy, Ken, and Wayne had received their confirmation from Sanilac County regarding the election and they all affirmed that they had.

Water Report:

- There were eighteen delinquent postcards sent resulting in two turn offs which have since been resolved.
- Lakeshore Improvement has replaced a curb stop that no longer worked properly and is slated to replace or repair three more.
- The question of who is responsible for meter valves leaking between the connection and the curb stop was posed to the council and it was stated that Village of Forestville was responsible for those repairs.
- The council was informed that a call from a resident was taken at the office by Rebecca on November 13. While a contractor was digging on his property he struck the curb stop damaging the casing. The landowner was unaware if anyone had called for a MISS DIG ticket and said he would contact his contractor and electrician. Mike Jurgess is unaware of one having been submitted for that property. Lakeshore Improvement will be fixing the casing; the property owner will be responsible for all expenses.

DPW / Waste Water Management

- The booster station pumped approximately 1,615,000 gallons, 107,000 gallons for the month.
- The transfer from cell one to cell two of the lagoon has been completed.

Street Report

- The street light by Umbriet and Big Gulley has burned out; Tammy has contacted Thumb Electric to replace the bulb. Tim reminded the council that Forestville had been contacted many years ago by DTE about switching to LED lighting and that at the time it had been cost prohibitive but that as technology has progressed the costs of many things have gone down so it might be prudent to contact DTE again about switching to LEDs. Wayne mentioned that he had spoken to Mike Pierson and that Minden City had recently switched to LED and that there were programs to help defer the cost. Wayne offered to talk to Mike to see if Mike could offer any further information or guidance.

Planning Commission:

- There wasn't an October meeting.

Zoning Report:

- There were no permits issued.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business

- Tammy reminded the council that Forestville still does not have a Deputy Treasurer or a Deputy Clerk. Rebecca Holdwick offered to fill both position. A motion was made by Amy, supported by Ken to appoint Rebecca Holdwick to the Deputy Clerk and Deputy Treasurer positions. All in favor, motion carried.
- There was a discussion regarding enforcement of Forestville's Blight Ordinance regarding grass mowing. After much discussion and many suggestions a motion was made by Wayne, supported by Amy to lower the maximum height of grass and weeds to eight inches, to send a certified letter to the last known address of the property owner stating that they have seven days to correct the issue from the date that the letter was mailed, as well as having a reminder printed on the water bills that are mailed the months of February, March, and April. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 pm

Respectively Submitted,

Angela Mausolf
Village Clerk

Tim Sielaff
President