

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF MESICK
FEBRUARY 14, 2018

PRESENT: HOWELL, CLOUS, SMITH, SCHAEFER, CARLSEN

ABSENT: BURROUGHS

OTHERS PRESENT: MCLEOD, HEYMES, STANTON, DALTON HOFSTETTER, A BUCKLEY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, HANOVER TOWNSHIP RESIDENT, MICHAEL ABEL, A VILLAGE RESIDENT, JERRY AND ANGIE COGER, VILLAGE RESIDENTS, GARY AND LUANN ADAMS, SPRINGVILLE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS, GORDON MAXWELL, A HARING TOWNSHIP RESIDENT, BRIAN ROWLEY, REPRESENTING FLEIS AND VANDENBRINK ENGINEERING, HEIDI HOFSTETTER, A HANOVER TOWNSHIP RESIDENT.

ANGIE COGER ASKED IF THEY COULD BE EXCUSED FROM THEIR TRASH SERVICE. THE COUNCIL INDICATED THAT IF THEY EXCUSE THE SERVICE THEY WOULD HAVE TO DO IT FOR EVERYONE.

ABEL ASKED THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. ARE ALL RESIDENCES WHERE SEWER IS AVAILABLE HOOKED UP?

BY ORDINANCE THE COUNCIL HAS TO CONTINUE TO MAKE RESIDENTS HOOK-UP IF SEWER IS AVAILABLE TO THEM THERE IS NO LONGER A SEWER DISTRICT IT IS MANDATED TO EVERYONE IN THE VILLAGE.

2. IS THIS SEWER PROJECT DEQ MANDATED OR VOLUNTARY? IF VOLUNTARY, IS IT NEEDED OR IS IT JUST A WAY FOR THE COMPANIES INVOLVED TO MAKE MONEY?

ONLY THE RIP/WRAP IS MANDATED. FLEIS AND VANDENBRINK AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT HAVE EXPANDED THE PROJECT INTO OVER A 2 MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT.

3. IF SPREAD SHEETS WERE DEVELOPED AND SENT TO ALL RESIDENTS SHOWING THE TOTAL COSTS; MINUS THE HOOK-UP FEES, THEN SHOWING HOW MUCH IT WOULD COST EACH OF THEM, HOW MANY RESIDENTS DO YOU FEEL WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT?

THIS QUESTION COULD NOT BE ANSWERED

4. WHEN THE WATER PROJECT WAS DONE IN 1979, IT WAS PROJECTED THE VILLAGE WOULD GROWN; IN FACT, JUST THE OPPOSITE HAS HAPPENED. IF ALL THESE VACANT LOTS THAT HAVE SEWER AND WATER NOW CAN'T BE SOLD, THEY WILL BE REVERTED BACK TO THE VILLAGE FUTHER DECREASING THE TAX ROLLS; WHAT THEN?

THE COUNCIL ADMITS TO HOPING FOR GROWTH SUCH AS THE 23 ACRES IT OWNS.

MOTION BY CLOUS SUPPORTED BY CARLSEN TO ACCEPT THE DECEMBER MINUTES AS READ. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY CLOUS SUPPORTED BY CARLSEN TO ACCEPT THE JANUARY MINUTES AMENDING THE AREA OF MASONIC SIDEWALK SURVEY. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY SMITH SUPPORTED BY SCHAEFER TO ACCEPT THE BILLS AS READ AND MOVE MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SEWER FUND OF \$39,000.00 TO PAY FLEIS AND VANDENBRINK ENGINEERINGS BILL. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY SCHAEFER SUPPORTED BY CARLSEN TO APPROVE THE BUDGET FOR 2018-2019. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

WATER RATES WILL INCREASE IN JUNE OR JULY TO HOLD PROPER SAVINGS IN THE ACCOUNT AS REQUESTED BY THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN.

MOTION BY SMITH SUPPORTED BY CLOUS TO HOLD \$10,673.00 FOR WATER REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT AND \$4200.00 FOR WATER BOND RESERVE. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

CHRIS GALVANEK ASKED TO SEE DRAWINGS OF THE SEWER PLANS. THE VILLAGE HAS PAID OVER \$100,000.00 TO THE ENGINEERS AND THERE ARE NO DRAWINGS IN THE OFFICE AND THEY FLEIS AND VANDENBRINK ARE NOT SURE WHERE THE PROJECT IS TAKING PLACE.

ROWLEY SAID HE WOULD SEND INFORMTION AS TO \$40,000.00 BEING BILLED IN THE SAW GRANT AND \$40,000.00 BILLED TO THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT BOND FOR THE SAME WORK.

MOTION BY CARLSEN SUPPORTED BY SCHAEFER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:19 P.M. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
DEBORAH E STANTON