

Village of Ubly
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2010

The village of Ubly regular meeting of April 1, 2010 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Mark Brown. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: President Mark Brown, Trustees Shawn Wright, Lance Krueger, Adam Kain, Jeff Maikrzek, Treasurer Laura Kramer, Clerk Alger Lemke, Police Chief Matt Kuhl, and DPW Supervisor Carl Weber. There were 5 citizens in attendance. Absent were trustees Jeremy Melnik and Mark Dropiewski.

Barb Butch from Sleeper Public Library addressed the council on her letter from last month requesting financial assistance for repairs to the library building. The pressing need is for painting, but funds are low from tuck pointing the brick last year. She said public and private grant monies may be available, she is investigating many funding options including help from the Huron EDC and it's director Carl Osentoski. Barb wanted council to know that she was not looking for an easy handout from the village, and that she was checking into many funding possibilities. President Mark Brown said the village and council are not opposed to helping however they can (i.e.. money, grant application help, etc.). Barb left a packet of info for council to review and revisit at a later date.

Dennis Smalley from the Ubly Homecoming Committee said the Homecoming this year will be July 8-11, and asked if Main St. could be closed off from the bridge to the park entrance for the parade on the 11th. Also asked for the park hours to be changed on homecoming days so they do not have to close up at 11p.m. President Brown entertained a motion to allow alcohol to be served from 7-9-10 through 7-11-10, keep the park open until 2 a.m. and void the noise ordinance during the homecoming. Jeff Maikrzek made the motion, seconded by Lance Krueger. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes from last month's meeting were read. There being no changes suggested a motion was made by Adam Kain and seconded by Lance Krueger to approve the minutes as is. All in favor. Motion carried.

Bills to pay - Mark Brown will check into the Personnel Concepts, Shawn Wright said no itemized statement has been received from Rio Supply yet, and Carl Weber said he spoke with Layne Christensen and their rep said to hold off payment for one month so Layne could investigate further the current invoice. President Brown entertained a motion to pay the bills minus the Personnel Concepts, Rio, and Layne invoices, and to add \$150,000 from the water fund for debt reduction on the bond we have for that. Adam Kain made the motion, seconded by Jeff Maikrzek. Discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer Laura Kramer presented her report for the month of March. Jeff Maikrzek noted that payments received of \$480 for firewood seems low for all the wood coming out of the farm. Council discussion on who has been allowed to remove wood for free in the past and should that be allowed to continue. A motion was made by Shawn Wright and seconded by Jeff Maikrzek to require all wood takers to pay for the wood from now on. 3 in favor, 2 opposed, motion carried.

General Fund

AFLAC	152.56	MI UIA	29.66
National Retirement Solutions	600.00	Barbara Butch	1,599.30
AT&T	550.70	Carl Weber	2,451.33
Bingham Township	336.00	Christina Osantowski	205.49
Bischer Ready Mix	287.50	Joan Particka	361.47
Consumers Energy	232.01	Judy Harrington	205.49
DTE Energy -Street Lights	2,109.62	Kevin Jimkoski	1,941.51
DTE Energy - Electric	373.87	Kevin Butch	140.80

Fleet Services	157.90
LaFave Hydraulics & Metal	50.83
League Employee Benefit Serv.	3,516.16
MML Liab. & Prop. Pool	16,466.00
Minden City Herald	231.00
Minuteman Metalworks	15.00
Mortimer Lumber	31.20
Richfield Equities	3,242.40
Thumb Office Supply	41.00
Wells Fargo	57.00
Independent Bank	6,260.36
State of Mich W/H	1,481.21

Matthew Kuhl	2,167.53
Matthew Koslowski	431.79
Virgil Briolat	1,666.68
Alger Lemke	564.35
Kevin Laming	408.34
Laura Kramer	338.41
MERS of Michigan	2,627.87
Citgo Petroleum	253.16
Fleet Services	236.49

TOTALS 51,821.99

Water Fund

City of Harbor Beach	48.00
DTE Energy	588.73

Thumb Electric Cooperative	27.66

TOTALS 664.39

Sleeper Public Library

Taste of Home Books	29.98
Village of Ubly	121.93
AT&T	196.60
Baker & Taylor	558.76
Brandon Glaza	300.00
Conde Nast	24.00
Consumers Energy	363.00
DTE Energy	462.00
Kevin Butch	100.00

Minden City Herald	130.00
Peruski Hardware	60.00
Shape Magazine	11.97
St. Clair Co. Library	31.95
Taste of Home	29.98
Taste of Home Books	29.98
Ubly Post Office	44.00
Upstart	319.10
Wal-Mart Community	169.88

TOTALS 2,983.13

Major Street

No expense activity	
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TOTALS 0.00

Local Street

No expense activity	0.00
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TOTALS 0.00

DPW

DPW Supervisor Carl Weber presented his report for March. Discussed maple trees that should come down, a couple around town are already done and one over Rose Allen's home needs to be professionally taken down. Virgil is sweeping streets. Cleanup in the DPW yard. Water service in one residence replaced. Generator bids were received and given to council. There are a few meters to check out, and Norm from SLC couldn't make this meeting either. Alger is to compose a letter to SLC requesting they refund the credit in our account back to us. Bids received on fence for the ball fields and tennis courts from Halfway Fence and G&R. High bid was approximately \$7200, and the low bid was about \$6100. Mark Brown entertained a motion not to exceed \$6100 for said projects. Lance Krueger made the motion, seconded by Jeff Maikrzek. Discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

POLICE

Chief of Police Matt Kuhl reported that the new police program is going good. He also said that Steve Messing requested the parallel parking on Queen Street by his businesses be changed to slant parking to allow for more parked cars. Matt will get with Steve and park a couple cars to see what works best.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

DPW - Chairperson Jeremy Melnik - No report

Parks & Recreation - Chairperson Shawn Wright - regarding summer recreation...TAT will transport kids to and from the pool for a couple dollars each. Pool cost is \$5.00 per kid for daily use in Bad Axe. Adam Kain reported that there were no teacher volunteers signed up, and Shawn suggested talking directly to them to get volunteers. Jeff Maikrzek and Adam Kain will make the phone calls. Regarding the new village benches...Thompson-Wasik has to give their final approval before the purchase. Regarding James Street... Shawn said kids are always walking on the street as there is no sidewalk there. Asked if there could be "no parking" signs placed on the south side of the street with a line painted down the length of the street where the kids could walk safely. Police Chief Matt Kuhl will investigate and report next month with a recommendation. Shawn also said the old landscaping in front of the Police Dept. is looking bad. Instead of getting bids for a redo, council consensus was to do the job ourselves as a group on some Saturday in the near future. Mark Brown will set up the date.

Water & Services - Chairperson Mark Dropiewski - No report

Police - Chairperson Lance Krueger - No report

Personnel - Chairperson Jeff Maikrzek - No report

Planning and Zoning - Chairperson Adam Kain - no report

OLD BUSINESS

- A) Rio and Layne bills already discussed
- B) Summer Rec - Adam Kain update - already discussed.
- C) Al Pollum - Mark Brown is still discussing with Pollum the possibility of a service road on the west edge Pollum's property. Mark suggested bringing one more council member in on the discussions, but no one was recommended at this time.
- D) MML \$300 Gift Certificate - now in Alger's hands to get a training scheduled

NEW BUSINESS - no new business

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mark Brown said the Huron County EDC has access to \$200,000 of Hazardous Substance grant money, but we do not likely have any projects that would qualify. He also received a letter from the MML that said they are freezing dues for this year and that an annual assessment fee was being waived in an effort to help their customers with these lean economic times. He also let all council members know that they need to give 3 days notice if they will not be attending a monthly council meeting, as he had two last minute calls today from council members saying they would be absent. Lastly, President Brown said that "movies in the park" will be starting again in the summer.

PUBLIC INPUT

Rose Allen - Ubyly resident and former council member - spoke to commend the council on the good job she feels everyone is doing. She also had suggestions for the upcoming newsletter regarding cutting grass and blowing it onto the street and that people walking with dogs need to carry plastic bags to pick up a mess from the animal should one occur.

There being no further business, President Brown entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Shawn Wright and seconded by Jeff Maikrzek. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held at the Bingham/Ubyly Government center on Thursday May 6, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alger Lemke
Clerk
Village of Uby