

Village of Ubly  
Unapproved Meeting Minutes  
February 3, 2010

The village of Ubly regular meeting of February 3, 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, Mark Dropiewski, Lance Krueger, Jeremy Melnik, Adam Kain, Jeff Maikrzek, Treasurer Laura Kramer, Clerk Alger Lemke, Police Chief Matt Kuhl, and DPW Supervisor Carl Weber. There were no citizens in attendance.

Jim Reinhold of Rio Supply Michigan Meter, Inc., the source and support for our Neptune water meters, presented information on the warranties for the various parts of the meter assembly as well as what is covered in our \$750 annual tech support fee. President Mark Brown stated that one of the credit reimbursement possibilities from SLC (the original source of our Neptune meters) would be to accept replacement meters from their remaining supply in their warehouse whenever we had a need. Mr. Reinhold cautioned that we should get serial numbers from the heads and readouts of those remaining meters at SLC before we accept a shipment, as Neptune may not warranty them if they are outdated.

The minutes of the January 7, 2010 meeting were read and discussed. With no changes suggested a motion to approve them was made by Shawn Wright and seconded by Jeff Maikrzek. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion on bills to pay for the month of February. The bill for the Senior Citizens Center had the heading "Donation", and Shawn Wright expressed that we may not be able to legally "donate" to any organization. Consensus was to use the word "stipend" instead. A motion was made by Mark Dropiewski and seconded by Lance Krueger to pay the bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer Laura Kramer presented her report for the month of January. She said she transferred \$40,000.00 of the income generated by J.B. Logging from the General Fund to a CD. The treasurers report was O.K.'d as presented.

<b>General Fund</b>		<b>Water Fund</b>	
Expenditures	47,110.87	Expenditures	36,208.14
<b>Sleeper Public Library</b>		<b>Major Street</b>	
Expenditures	37,705.33	Expenditures	24,083.91
		<b>Local Street</b>	
		Expenditures	26,065.05
		<b>TOTALS</b>	26,065.05

## DPW

DPW Supervisor Carl Weber presented his report for January. Discussed were snow removal and salting activity, a request for a new storage cabinet for water meters at a cost of \$420, a request for material to build 3 new metal trash cans for the Albert E. Sleeper park, and the DPW equipment inventory list. With enough money in the DPW budget, council gave consensual approval for the requested cabinet and trash can construction materials

## POLICE

Chief of Police Matt Kuhl requested a time slot prior to the March regular meeting for the purpose of meeting with the owner of the trailer on Pike Street. President Mark Brown offered 6:30 p.m., which is the half hour directly preceding regular meeting time at 7:00 p.m. Chief Kuhl also reported that the alternator went out on the old police car, that a federal grant is available that will pay up to 25% of a new police vehicle and equipment, and that officer Jimkoski was off 58 hours in January with a hurt leg. He said that he hired more of the part time officers to fill in officer Jimkoski's absence.

## TRUSTEE REPORTS

DPW - Chairperson Jeremy Melnik - Looked into vinyl log siding for the nativity barn and said it would cost about \$1,220.00 to reside it. Mark Brown said the cedar shake look siding is about \$120.00 per square. Jeremy said he would have more firm pricing of both styles for the next meeting. Also reported that the winter issue of the village newsletter is near done. It was agreed that Mark Brown and Jeremy will finalize and proofread the newsletter before mailing.

Parks & Recreation - Chairperson Shawn Wright - reported that black dirt and seed or sod was going to be put in the baseball field in the Veteran's Memorial Park this spring, and that all cost would be absorbed by the Ugly Community Schools. The village employees may have to assist in leveling out the new dirt, but there is no other cost to the village. A motion was made by Jeremy Melnik and seconded by Mark Dropiewski to allow the dirt fill and seed or sod to be installed at the cost of the Ugly Community Schools. All in favor, motion carried.

A facility use agreement was presented and read by President Brown. It is a 10 year extension that will end at the end of the school year 2020. It was decided to add a line to the agreement that states that any scheduling conflicts will be handled by the Ugly Village Council. After that is added, President Brown said he would sign it.

Park benches discussed at prior meetings have setup and engraving included in their price, and Thompson Wasik has expressed interest in purchasing the first one. Two

options were reviewed, one with a back for \$672 and one without for \$504. No firm decision on which style, will revisit next meeting. John Smigielski told Shawn that he would hand out flyers to families making funeral arrangements, giving them the option to donate/make a memorial toward a bench.

A summer recreation plan was presented. There would be little or no cost to the village for the activities outlined in the plan. The biggest obstacle is getting the volunteer help needed to run the activities. Activities in the plan include days of basketball, swimming, weightlifting. Other ideas could include golf, bowling, and tennis. Adam Kain was chosen as council liaison to the school and will check with teachers for more volunteers.

Lastly, 2 proposals for a new master plan were presented for review, and Carl Osentoski of the Huron EDC will look both over and give his recommendation(s).

Water & Services - Chairperson Mark Dropiewski - 13 of 42 uninspected meters are now inspected

Police - Chairperson Lance Krueger - no report

Personnel - Chairperson Jeff Maikrzek - New sick time computations were presented by Clerk Alger Lemke. Previously had to be computed and input manually and monthly, now are automatic with each pay period in the computer. It should cut back/eliminate errors in time accrued. An amendment to the employee hand-book will be made reflecting the new method.

Planning and Zoning - Chairperson Adam Kain - no report

## **OLD BUSINESS**

No report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

President Mark Brown suggested renewing the Hoover Farm lease at the current terms with the current tenant, as the terms are excellent. Jeremy Melnik felt that we should put it up for bids. A motion was made by Shawn Wright and seconded by Jeff Melnik to renew the lease at the current terms with the current tenant. Motion favored by six trustees, opposed by Jeremy Melnik. Motion carried.

Mark said that there will be a public hearing on the budget before the regular meeting on March 4, 2010. Public hearing time for the budget is at 6:30 p.m., with the regular meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - Mark Brown read a letter from Jeanne Eilers, mother of Matthew Eilers, who has earned the rank of Eagle Scout. A celebration for his achievement is set for February 21, 2010, and the letter asked if we would prepare an item/items of recognition for Matthew during his ceremony. It was

decided to present a framed certificate noting his achievement. Alger will get it prepared and delivered.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Lance Krueger and seconded by Jeff Maikrzek to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The budget public hearing will be held at the Bingham/Ubly Government center on Thursday March 4, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held at the Bingham/Ubly Government center on Thursday March 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alger Lemke  
Clerk  
Village of Ubly