

Village of Ubly  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes  
November 4, 2010

The village of Ubly regular meeting of November 4, 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 Mark Dropiewski, Adam Kain, Jeff Maikrzek, Lance Krueger, Shawn Wright, Clerk Alger Lemke, DPW Supervisor Carl Weber, and Police Chief Matthew Kuhl. Late and excused was trustee Jeremy Melnik. Absent and excused was Treasurer Laura Kramer. There were 7 citizens in attendance.

Conrad Kincaid inquired about purchasing 2 acres from the village adjoining his property at 2070 Leppek Road. He would like 300 feet of frontage on Leppek Road going west from his existing property line and the same depth as he already has (290 feet). He'd like to clean it up and perhaps put a building up eventually. Council made no firm decision tonight but said they would further discuss next month.

Joe Particka presented a drawing from 1999 with an angled street that continues the current dead end on Margie Street northward to Agnes Street. Now that he has purchased Jim Morell's property next to his he said it makes sense to straighten the street plot toward Agnes Street (easier for water looping, street building, etc.). He is basically looking for a property swap, and tax mapping at the county level is the first place to begin. Council is receptive to the idea. Costs to be the responsibility of Joe Particka. Mark Brown and Joe Particka will get together next week to begin the process.

Minutes from last month's meeting were read. No changes or additions were suggested. President Mark Brown entertained a motion to accept the minutes as read. Motion made by Shawn Wright, seconded by Jeff Maikrzek, discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Bills to pay - The list of bills was reviewed and no changes were suggested. Mark Brown entertained a motion to pay the bills as presented. Motion made by Mark Dropiewski, seconded by Lance Krueger, discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Laura Kramer presented her report for the month of October. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

**General Fund Expenditures - November 2010**

Independent Bank	4,077.80	Joe Particka	94.34	
Barbara Butch	1,522.01	Johnson Portable	65.00	
Carl Weber	2,530.77	League Employee Benefit Services		4,019.12
Christina Osantowski	293.56	Matthew Kuhl	500.00	
Joan Particka	508.09	Michigan Municipal League		140.00
Judy Harrington	293.55	Minden City Herald	638.00	
Kevin Jimkoski	1,891.39	Mortimer Lumber	984.51	
Kevin Butch	140.80	Northstar Bank	4,165.62	
Kevin Laming	408.32	Peruski Hardware	4.48	
Matthew Kuhl	2,184.76	Richfield Equities	3,242.40	
Virgil Briolat	1,665.93	Thompson Chevrolet	86.26	
American Red Cross	15.00	Thumb Office Supply	68.57	
AT&T	323.67	Ubly Auto Parts	103.47	
Bischer Ready Mix	40.00	Ubly DPW Petty Cash	51.54	

Booms Rent All	188.03	Ubly Meat & Grocery	28.38
Chapins Mid Town Market	7.28	Wells Fargo	57.00
Citgo Petroleum Corp.	539.02	MERS of Michigan	2,642.60
Consumers Energy	41.30	AFLAC	163.56
Crop Production Services	143.19	Fleet Services	228.78
Domain Registry of America	50.00	Alger Lemke	564.35
DTE Energy (Street Lights)	2,228.70	Laura Kramer	338.40
DTE Energy (other electric)	224.58	Huron County Treasurer	393.55
Ferris, Schwedler, & Prill P.C.	120.00		
<b>TOTALS</b>			38,017.68

**Water Fund Expenditures - November 2010**

City of Harbor Beach	48.00	Printing Systems, Inc.	228.28
DTE Energy	651.41	Thumb Electric	20.63
Michigan DNRE	610.69		
<b>TOTALS</b>			1,559.01

**Sleeper Public Library Expenditures - November 2010**

Allied Locksmith Service	90.00	The Lakeshore Guardian	42.50
AT&T	184.69	Ubly Post Office	44.00
Baker & Taylor	256.98	Wal-Mart Community	144.61
Consumers Energy	361.00	White Pine Library Coop.	25.00
DTE Energy	462.00		
<b>TOTALS</b>			1,610.78

**Major Street Expenditures - November 2010**

**Local Street Expenditures - November 2010**

No Expense Activity		Ken's Sewer Service	1,032.00
<b>TOTALS</b>		0.00	<b>TOTALS</b> 1,032.00

**DPW**

DPW Supervisor Carl Weber presented his report for October. Bi-annual bridge inspections took place. Water meter shutoffs occurred today. Wells...one problem part keeps going bad, Layne Northern quoted us a replacement part to have on hand at a cost of approx. \$2300.00. Since it goes out a lot, Carl is having them investigate the cause, will know more next month. Christmas decorations going up the week of Thanksgiving, but won't be lit until the first week of December.

**POLICE**

Chief of Police Matt Kuhl started his report saying there will be a reading of the Medical Marijuana Ordinance at the end of the meeting. Trick or Treat and Devil's Night went without a hitch, had about 330 children. Kindergarten fingerprinting is completed. He said he has a form for the migrating snowbirds to fill out so the police can keep an eye on their property while they're gone. The USDA grant for the car...we might get approved for 25% of the cost of a new police car, but not looking good. The USDA did not receive as much funding as hoped. There is \$22,500 budgeted for a new car, and we cannot wait another year. May also have to bump up the budget \$7,000 to \$9,000 to fully dress the car. Trustee Shawn Wright suggested just going ahead and approving a new car purchase. Council agreed.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS**

DPW - Chairperson Jeremy Melnik - No report.

Parks & Recreation - Chairperson Shawn Wright - no report.

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** - There is a "to scale" model of the new lighted graphic sign going in Vet's Memorial Park. The original size of the sign from Sign Image was 7' high by 11' long, but the actual size of the sign going in is 6' high by 9.5' long. Jeff Maikrzek and Jeremy Melnik opened discussion on a possible location on M-19. Right of way on the north corridor is 60' from the center of the road and puts into Alger Nowak's field. To keep it in the village would interfere with the existing sign at the north entrance of the village, lumens cannot impair driving, MDOT has billboard rules, and permits can get expensive.

Mark Brown said Caro has the best rules and regulations for such a sign. Jeff Maikrzek said anything not village related is not allowed on the state highway, and a state representative told him there is a moratorium on permits at the present time. Mark added that 4 to 5 months ago council approved the purchase of the sign to be put in Veteran's Memorial Park at a cost of no more than \$35,000. Then there was the first public hearing attempt, then the second legal public hearing was held, and we are now ready to move ahead with the sign in the park. If any council member wants another location then a motion to repeal the previously approved motions must be made at this time. No motions to repeal were made.

**NEW BUSINESS** - Garbage ordinance. One village resident is refusing to pay because they claim they do not use the service. Currently there is no garbage ordinance, our second garbage billing states unpaid balances will be applied to the next tax roll. President Brown roughed a garbage ordinance and read it to all in attendance. Anyone with input can get with him in the next month. The first reading of the new garbage ordinance will take place at next month's regular meeting.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - Mark Brown said there are MML workshops this month on November 15 and 16, at a cost of \$25 for elected officials and trustees. If anyone is interested the village will pay the entrance fee.

MEDA workshops will be on the 21st through the 23rd of November, promoting advertising your village and moving into the future. Cost is \$86 for city mayors and village presidents.

Lastly Mark said that budget time is right around the corner and asked all department heads to compile budget requests for the upcoming fiscal year.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

David Peruski, Huron County District 2 Commissioner, said the county Medical Marijuana ordinance will be amended to say that nothing is allowed in the county that is illegal at Federal and State levels. The new V.A. clinic had it's first patient on the 15th, an open house is to be announced. There have been 2 new county commissioners elected...John Nugent replaces Kurt Damrow and John Bodis replaces Jim Leonard. He finished by saying the MDNRE will not allow the burning of household trash in trash burn barrels, effective April 1, 2011.

Village resident and Sleeper Public Librarian Barb Butch asked about the upcoming budget and whether or not she should resubmit the paint bid. Mark Brown replied yes and it should be no problem fitting it into the upcoming budget. It was also mentioned there may be a grant available for new boilers.

Trustee Shawn Wright asked if it would be O.K. to have the December meeting in the Senior Citizen Center. Barb Butch was going to check availability and let Clerk Lemke know so he could post the meeting location change.

The first reading of Ubly's Medical Marijuana ordinance, Ordinance number 115-10 was read in it's entirety. Second reading to take place next month. After the second reading it will be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Village of Ubly and will take full effect 20 days after publication.

There being no further business, President Brown entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Jeff Maikrzek and seconded by Lance Krueger. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday December 2, 2010. Location will be either at the Bingham/Ubly Government Center or at the Senior Citizen Center adjacent to Sleeper Public Library. There will be a posting well in advance if the meeting location is changed.

Respectfully submitted,

Alger Lemke  
Clerk  
Village of Ubly