

**MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MACKINAW CITY**

7:00 P.M.

December 20, 2007

President Wallin called the meeting to order and the following Trustees answered roll call – Matt Yoder, Belinda Mollen, James Alford, Janelle Bancroft and Jeff Hingston. Also present Attorney T. Evashevski, Manager J. Lawson, Chief P. Wyman and Clerk E. Clemens. Absent - Lana Jaggi.

Visitors list attached.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion Hingston and supported by Alford to approve agenda as presented. Voice vote - motion carried unanimously.

Motion Alford and supported by Hingston to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 6, 2007 as presented to Council this evening. Voice vote - motion carried unanimously.

Motion Alford and supported by Mollen to pay the bills. Ayes - Yoder, Mollen, Wallin, Alford, Bancroft and Hingston. Absent - Jaggi. Motion carried.

Clerk read communications:

- 1) Margaret Paquet's resignation from the Mackinaw Area Public Library Board effective January 1, 2008.
- 2) CMDA Municipal Law Seminar in April 2008.
- 3) Certificate of Appreciation from the Mackinaw Bridge Authority in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations.
- 4) Kenny Krell, 3 Disciplines Racing Triathlon requesting information to help the event take place for 2008. Council discussed past issues with this event ranging from street traffic/parking to a change of venue. Was general consensus to have Staff send correspondence outlining parking stipulations for 2008 event, and that if stipulations were not followed to shut it down for future events at the Wawatam Park site.

Motion Alford and supported by Hingston to approve the 2008 Triathlon race at the Wawatam Park site with staff stipulations. Ayes - Mollen, Wallin, Alford, Bancroft, Hingston and Yoder. Absent - Jaggi. Motion carried.

- 5) Michigan Liquor Control Commission re: Imperial Company transfer of ownership.

Staff Reports:

Manager's Report as presented.

1. Recommended a Utilities Subcommittee meeting be set at some point to review proposed water/sewer rate structure.
2. Presented budget updates for Council review. No action necessary at this time.
3. Staff recommended a review of the Village's Ordinance book as it has not been done for several years. Has discussed it with the attorney who also felt it was a good idea. Possibly an agenda item for subcommittee.
4. A response from Wawatam Township has been received in reference to the ongoing fire contract negotiations; however, still awaiting receipt from Mackinaw township.

Chief of Police Report: Chief Wyman gave short report on the Shop with a Hero (formally Shop with a Cop) event. Mackinaw City had 12 youth participate, along with 20 from Cheboygan and 3 from Indian River. They had the opportunity to shop with a firefighter, police officer or a member of the military.

President's Report: President Wallin stated he was looking forward to the Q/A with Attorney Evashevski, and then read a prepared statement (copy is attached.)

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**Public/Council Comments received:**

- 1) Trustee Hingston asked if the President's prepared statement would be included with the minutes. President Wallin responded yes, if it would please the Council. Also in the future, if his report is policy oriented a copy will be provided in the Council packets prior to that meeting.
- 2) Rosada Mann stated she would like an opportunity to review the President's Report prior to the meeting as she is able to do currently with the Police or Manager's report. She also inquired on who requested tonight's Closed Session and why. Attorney Evashevski responded that he requested the session, and explained it was to review his written opinion of the Reconsideration vote of December 6, 2007.

**Old Business**

Motion Alford and supported by Hingston to go into Closed Session to discuss the written legal opinion of the Reconsideration Vote of December 6, 2007. Ayes - Wallin, Alford, Bancroft, Hingston, Yoder and Mollen. Absent - Jaggi. Motion carried.

Entered Closed Session: 7:48 p.m.

Resumed Regular Session: 8:25 p.m.

Motion Alford and supported by Mollen to rescind the revocation of Planning Commission members Florence Tracy and Nancy Dean from the December 6, 2007 regular meeting. Short discussion. Ayes - Wallin, Alford, Bancroft, Hingston, Yoder and Mollen. Absent - Jaggi. Motion carried.

Manager Lawson presented proposed Ambulance Rates that need to be approved to conform to Medicare requirements, as well as mileage rates in order to collect the maximum allowable rural rates set by Medicare

Motion Alford and supported by Yoder to approve the new staff established ambulance rates of Basic Life Support (BLS) \$500, Advanced Life Support (ALS) \$700, and Mileage - \$10/per mile until further notice. Discussion. Ayes - Alford, Bancroft, Hingston, Yoder, Mollen and Wallin. Absent - Jaggi. Motion carried.

President Wallin called a two (2) minute recess before the Q/A session with Attorney Evashevski began at 8:33 p.m., and resumed 8:35 p.m.

Attorney Evashevski answered questions submitted to him by members of the Village Council and Clerk (copy attached).

**Closing Public/Council Comments:**

- 1) Joann Leal made inquiry of minutes and agenda's being posted on the Village's website as the last date available was from 2006. Clerk Clemens responded that staff was working with the provider, and that they were in the process of making changes to the website to make the current years agenda's and approved minutes available in a separate folder, and place past items in archived folders for each year. The plan is to begin with the January 3, 2008 agenda and move forward from there.

President Wallin shared Christmas greetings with everyone present. Also requested Staff to arrange a Utilities subcommittee after the first of the year.

Motion Alford and supported by Bancroft to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Voice vote - motion carried.

Respectfully submitted;

Ronald E. Wallin; President

Elizabeth J. Clemens; Clerk