

VILLAGE OF SARANAC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 13, 2012

The Saranac Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order by President Darby at 7:15 p.m. at the Saranac Municipal Building, 27 N. Bridge Street.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: President Darby, Smith, Straubel, trustees – Hendrick, Klutman, Mackey, DPW
Bowen

Absent: Simmons, Whorley

Guests: Doug Borup

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Whorley, to approve the Regular Agenda. All yeas.

Public Comments

Doug Borup, representing the Saranac Community Club, was in attendance to update council members on the progress of the banner pole fund raiser. Club members have been researching the idea of an electronic banner. Borup will forward information to Straubel when it becomes available.

Motion was made by Mackey, supported by Klutman, to accept the minutes of the July 9, 2012 Regular Meeting. All yeas.

Motion was made by Mackey, supported by Klutman, to approve the Treasurer's Report of July 31, 2012. All yeas.

Council members reviewed Application for Payment No 1, submitted by Ron Meyer & Associates Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$128,035.75, for street improvements. Fleis & VandenBrink, village engineers, have recommended payment as requested.

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Hendrick, to pay Ron Meyer & Associates Excavating, Inc., \$128,035.75 for street work performed through July 31, 2012, as per Application for Payment No 1.

Roll call vote: yeas – Hendrick, Klutman, Mackey, Darby; nays – none; absent – Simmons, Whorley.

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Mackey, to approve the Accounts Payable of August 13, 2012 in the amount of \$193,605.02.

Roll call vote: yeas – Hendrick, Klutman, Mackey, Darby; nays – none; absent – Simmons, Whorley.

The Zoning Administrator's report was reviewed.

The Planning Commission minutes and e-mail from Mark Sisson of LandMark Strategies, regarding the Master Plan draft, was reviewed.

Council discussed a request from the ICEA, to contribute \$500 to their organization. Council members concurred that they would like an ICEA representative to attend a council meeting, before determining if a contribution is warranted.

Committee Reports

Parks & Recreation

Bowen suggested that the village send DPW Simmons to a Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course, which is sponsored by the MRPA (Michigan Recreation and Park Association). The purpose of the program is to train individuals to properly identify hazards on public playgrounds, to rank the hazards according to injury potential, apply the knowledge to remove hazards and establish a system of inspections and maintenance. The certification is good for three years and the cost of the program is \$565.

Motion was made by Mackey, supported by Klutman, to register DPW Simmons for the Certified Playground Safety Inspector Course & Exam October 2-4, 2012, at a cost of \$565.

Roll call vote: yeas – Hendrick, Klutman, Mackey, Darby; nays – none; absent – Simmons, Whorley.

Public Safety

Mackey submitted Deputy Charon's June/July 2012 Ionia County Sheriff Department activity report.

Darby reported that the Fire Board will be scheduling a meeting soon, to discuss the possible purchase of a mini pumper.

Budget – No report.

Personnel – No report.

Buildings & Grounds – No report.

Water & Sewer – No report.

Streets

Bowen reported on the status of the street projects.

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Darby, to approve the Saranac Community Club's request to close Bridge Street (from Main to Mill) on August 25, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for Bridgefest activities. Emergency vehicle access will be maintained. All yeas.

Discussion was held regarding a request to close Bridge Street for the September "Girls Night Out" event. Bowen will gather additional information and the request will be addressed at the September council meeting.

Public Comments – None.

Additional Business – None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.