

VILLAGE OF SARANAC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2012

The Saranac Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order by President Darby at 7:09 p.m. at the Saranac Municipal Building, 27 N. Bridge Street.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Absent: Mackey, Straubel

Guests: Christine Simmons, Curt Read

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

Motion was made by Hendrick, supported by Klutman, to appoint Christine Ann Simmons to the office of Village Trustee, term to expire 9/30/13. All yeas.

Christine Ann Simmons took the Oath of Office for the position of Village Trustee, term to expire 9/30/13.

Curt Read introduced himself as a Write In Candidate for Ionia County Sheriff. Read spoke about his background and perspective.

Public Comments – None.

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

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Simmons, to approve the Treasurer's Report of April 30, 2012. All yeas.

Motion was made by Darby, supported by Klutman, to approve the Accounts Payable of May 14, 2012 in the amount of \$79,243.17.

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

The Zoning Administrator's report was reviewed.

The Planning Commission's meeting minutes were reviewed.

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Whorley, to reappoint Wesley Hackett, Gerald Kauffman and Mark Talcott to the Saranac Planning Commission with 3 year terms to expire June 2015. All yeas.

Committee Reports

Personnel

Darby reported that the Personnel Committee is working on a method for evaluating Bowen and Straubel.

Parks & Recreation

Bowen attended a rails to trails progress meeting in Ionia. MDOT hopes to bid the project out by August 3rd of this year.

Discussion was held regarding placing cameras near the outside of the restrooms at Scheid Park and at the Nature Park.

Bowen reported that the DPW employees continue to work on removing dead Ash trees.

The gazebo kit for the Eagle Scout project has been delivered.

Bowen reported that DPW employees moved 13 trees out of the open field in the Nature Park.

Buildings & Grounds – No report.

Streets

The bid opening for proposed street work is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5th.

Bowen provided an update on street work.

Three bids were received for tree trimming and removal throughout the village. The bids ranged from \$5,850 to \$17,100. There is \$5,000 in the 2012/2013 budget for tree work.

Motion was made by Klutman, supported by Simmons, to approve tree trimming and removal per Bowen's list, for an amount not to exceed \$6,500.

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

Water & Sewer – No report.

Public Safety – No report.

Budget – No report.

Public Comments – None.

Additional Business – None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Roberta Jo Smith, Clerk