

Village of Clinton
February 2, 2015

The meeting opened at 7:00 pm.

Members present were President Mowery, Carl Habrick, Joe Orban, Bonnie Peters, Doris Kemner and Tim Waters. Larry Sines was absent.

Motion was made by Waters and seconded by Peter to approve the January 5, 2015 council minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Kemner and seconded by Habrick to approve the checks written for the period ending January 31, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing opened at 7:04 pm. The purpose of the hearing was to receive comments on a proposed \$4.00 increase in the monthly residential service charge for sewer. Commercial and industrial customers will pay proportionately more based on their meter size. Comments were: Did the Village project growth from the new subdivision? What is the current rate? What was the money used for from the last increase? Does the Village have a plan to get new business in town? What can we expect in the future? The public hearing closed at 7:26 pm.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Peters to adopt Resolution Number 2015-1. A resolution to amend the water and sewer rates and charges. Motion carried unanimously.

Council was updated on the electric legislative issues.

Council was updated on the Michigan South Central Power Agency strategic planning process.

Council was updated on the purchase of the Clinton Local property.

Council discussed the DDA south alley improvements. Council was supportive of trying to use the DDA funds for the South Alley improvements instead of the facade grants this year.

Council discussed the proposed natural gas pipeline that will run through Lenawee County.

Motion was made by Peters and seconded by Kemner to authorize the Village Manager to execute the amended agreement with D & P Communications to lease land in the south west corner of the water tower property for a service building. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Waters to receive and file the council information packet. Motion carried unanimously.

The Village Manager reported on the following: The Christmas lights will be up through February; working with the banks on the distribution of investments; will execute an agreement with the DEQ for soil sampling at the light plant; the contractor for the Smithland hydroelectric project was released; Mr. Scott Teegarden was honored with the Maintenance Professional of the Year Award from Michigan Water Environment Association; the Village expressed concern to the Community Center about their proposed 2015-16 budget; and the Village is updating the master plan

The following comments were from Council: Tim Waters thanked the Police Chief for tagging cars parked in the street with the recent snow storm. Carl Habrick asked if we can keep track of tree plantings, he was pleased with the good job the Village employees did clearing the roads. Joe Orban also thanked the Village employees for snow removal. Bonnie Peters asked where we stand on the gazebo for the park? Doris Kemner said the employees did a wonderful job on the roads, asked to have the car show back at Tate Park this year, would like to have the Taste of South East Michigan again, and is looking for volunteers for Fall Festival.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Waters to go into close session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, to discuss an attorney-client communication with the Village attorney pertaining to the Smith-Kimball Community Center. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Close session started at 8:20 pm.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Waters to go back into regular session. Motion carried unanimously. Returned to regular session at 9:01 pm.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Orban to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Toni Gibson, Village Clark

Date