

**VILLAGE OF HOLLY
COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of February 23, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Holly was called to order by President Clemens at 7:00 P.M. in the Village Council Chambers located at 315 S. Broad Street, Holly, Michigan.

Councilmembers Present

Tom McKenney
Sandra Kleven
Pauline Kenner
Don Winglemire
William Kuyk
Reisa Hamilton
Peter Clemens

Staff Present

Marsha Powers
Susan Nassar
Rollie Gackstetter

Others Present

Larry Lilly
Marjorie Brannan
Michel Peel
Jim Weil
Margaret Hahn
Anne Hahn
Rolland Miller
Elena Miller
Hope Ponsart
Anna Troppens
Amy Mayhew
Katy Hughes

Council Members Absent

Clemens opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Agenda Approval
2. Approval of the 2/9/10 Council Minutes
3. Approval of Bills for Payment \$123,274.22
4. Routine Reports: None
5. Resolution 2010-5 accepting the resignation of Ray Rath from the DDA
6. Ordinance No. 406 Rental Inspections changed to every two years or with a change in tenant
7. Special Event Permit-Bike Blessing 5/2/10
8. Resolution 2010-6 amending FY09-10 budget

Add:

9. Excuse Attorney

Motion Winglemire, second McKenney to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried by a voice vote of seven ayes and no nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Larry Lilly of 110 Clarence:

- No changes to the Charter until after Nov. election

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) **Charter Amendments** (*next available election August 2010*)
 - Remained tabled
- b) **Market Research Study**
 - Tabled until after next DDA meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Millpond Landowner Annual Meeting

Jim Clark of 314 Hadley:

- Gave brief history of the Special Assessment District for Millpond
- Chemical treatments have proven more effective than weed harvesting
- Millpond is a great resource & should be treasured and maintenance continue
- Lack of Rose Twp. participation is not reason to stop treating the pond
- Paddling the river is as nice as any river you might paddle

Anne Hahn, owner of 418 Hadley:

- Has no access to or use of the Millpond, yet is highest taxed property owner in SAD
- Feels is unfair and allowed some property to go back to the county

Jim Clark of 314 Hadley:

- Most residents don't use the pond
- Mostly used by people at the park

Larry Lilly of 110 Clarence:

- Jim Clark has done a lot to see the lake is maintained, should be renamed "Clark Lake"

REPORTS:

Village Manager:

- All but one Council packet is now being sent via email – will save dollars in printing and delivery
- Budget work session needed. Council scheduled for March 2nd at 5:30 PM.

- Anything discussed in a closed session needs to remain private and should not be shared with the public
- Teamster negotiations continue on 3/3/10
- Six items left to discuss
- PD is applying for a grant to allow for collection of unused prescription drugs. Puts a stop to flushing unused drugs.
- Would like Personnel & Finance Committees to meet regarding a possible employee retirement

Motion Winglemire, second Clemens for Personnel and Finance Committees to meet. Motion carried by a voice vote of seven ayes and no nays.

- Had third meeting with the group researching uses for the Village Hall and are ¾ through with the analysis
- Meeting again on March 16th
- News article misinterpreted some comments regarding the type of businesses Holly would like to attract
- March 6 at 1:00 PM sirens will be tested. Siren testing schedule is available on web site

Attorney: Not present

Clerk – Treasurer:

- Update on unbilled water/sewer accounts many payment arrangements are made.
- On going process as new errors are discovered
- Most mistakes are clerical
- Election update
- Twp. is handling all elections now, not the Village

- NSP contractor bids are due March 1
- Expanding email list to send out packets & save on costs for Planning, Historic, Park and ZBA
- Traveling vet will come on May 8
- Shy or mean animals can be treated in the car to avoid problems
- Making great strides in reducing water meter problems
- Alleged Open Meetings Act violation costs came to \$775

Council & Staff Comments:

- Appreciation was expressed to those who attended the Sportsman’s dinner
- Comments made regarding the Open Meetings Act allegations

Motion Clemens, second Hamilton to ask Council Member Kuyk to compensate the Village \$775 incurred in defending the Village against the Open Meetings Act allegation which was raised without merit.

- McKenney said he felt the motion was a futile exercise
- Kuyk said he did nothing wrong and does not feel responsible for the cost

A roll call vote was as follows:

Voting for: Kenner, Winglemire, Hamilton Clemens

Voting against: Kuyk, McKenney, Kleven

Absent: None

The motion carried.

- Council needs to pay attention to the Charter and conduct the meetings accordingly

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, Clemens adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Peter Clemens, Village President

Susan Nassar, Clerk-Treasurer

Sheri McGee, Transcriber