

## **Village of Elsie Council Minutes August 13, 2013**

President Carie led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Councilmembers Present: Joe Ondrusek, Sue Bensinger, David Heightchew, Sue Ladisky, Joe Menovske, Eldon Baese and President Scott Carie.

Councilmembers Absent: none

Ex-Officios Present: Clerk, Ann Trierweiler; Chief of Police, Scott Sabo; Treasurer, Chantal Van Atta; and DPW Representative, Gale Bensinger.

AGENDA: Ladisky moved, Heightchew seconded to accept the agenda with the following additions: PRESIDENT: 1. Blight Building, 2. Thank You. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES: Menovske moved, Baese seconded to approve the June 11, 2013 Council Minutes, as written. MOTION CARRIED.

INVOICES: Baese moved, Ondrusek seconded to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$125,574.47. MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION STEP: There will be a Public Hearing on September 10, 2013 for an amended Noise Ordinance regarding Jake Brakes.

SPECIAL REPORTS: Signs for the Village Park-PLEASE BE COURTEOUS AND REFRAIN FROM SMOKING IN THE PARK. (To be placed on east and west sides of Park Ave). The grant paperwork will be filled out and sent to Sara Thelen, with Mid-Michigan District Health Department, to help pay for the signs.

PRESIDENT: 1. Rod Rust was contacted today, and he said he would be in on Monday with the Quit Claim Deed for the building on N. Ovid St. The council is addressing this in such a way that if he has not brought this in to the office by August 19, 2013, that the lawsuit against Mr. Rust will continue as formerly directed. 2. The President wants to thank the DPW and Gale Bensinger in regard to how nice the Village is looking. The cemetery looks great, and things around the village are getting done. GREAT JOB GUYS!!!

TREASURER: Bensinger moved, Heightchew seconded to approve the July 2013 Treasurer's Report as written. MOTION CARRIED.

POLICE REPORT: Heightchew moved, Baese seconded to approve the July 2013 Police Report as written. MOTION CARRIED. The golf carts and four wheelers are beginning to become a problem during the Dairy Festival. This will be addressed prior to the next Festival. A person must have a driver's license to use these vehicles, and this will be enforced.

DPW: Several of the sidewalks in town are being fixed, drains have been replaced, catch basins have been rebuilt, and brush is being picked up on a regular basis.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was a question regarding water given to the fire department to fight a 14 hour fire, and if there is any way to legally charge for this water usage. There is the issue of metered water, and how to charge for this. This would have to be written into the fire agreement regarding a flat rate fee, if this is at all possible.

Menovske moved, Heightchew seconded to adjourn the August 13, 2013 Council Meeting at 7:45 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Scott E. Carie  
Village President

Ann Trierweiler  
Village Clerk