

VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD

REGULAR MEETING

January 7, 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Deerfield Village Council was called to order by President Todd Nighswander at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Connie Sieler, Karla Bocskay, Donna Holubik, Kevin Eggleston, Mike Gilson, & Dave Rogers.

Absent:

Guests Present: Senator Caswell

Minutes of the Regular Meeting were read and approved with the spelling correction of "plant" and the minutes of Special Meeting were read with the correction of adding "Connie Sieler" in the list of trustees that were present at the meeting.

Senator Caswell addressed the council on the following areas.

The Personal Property Tax on Commercial and Industrial Equipment under \$40,000 will be discontinued Jan. 1, 2014. In Aug. 2014 there will be a proposal on the ballot allowing the people to vote on accepting the tax elimination. Part of the Use Tax would subsidize the funds for the municipalities if the vote to eliminate the tax is carried.

The bill was passed redefining what a farm implement of husbandry is.

The State Budget information that is being released is based on Sept. 2012 figures. If things remain as is there will be a large reduction in available funds in the following year.

Motion: Sieler to approve the Treasurer's Report for December's business.

2nd: Gilson Carried

Village Superintendent report – President Nighswander advised council that the pump station by the Post Office has experienced some problems. Repairs are taking place and they are seeking assistance from the insurance company. There was no update available at this time on the filters that had been sent out for inspection.

Building Inspector's report - No report available.

Police Report. – Reports for Nov. & Dec. enforcement was reviewed and placed on file.

Village President's Report – Todd has emailed Harry and is waiting for response regarding 134 Raisin St.

Planning Commission – The minutes from their November meeting were reviewed and placed on file. They will be attending the Feb. Council Meeting to present their yearly report.

Employee Negotiating Committee -

Employee Contract was accepted at Special meeting Dec. 19, 2012.

Motion: Holubik to approve the Employee Handbook.

2nd: Bocskay Carried

Handbooks will be given to employees and their signed Employee Acknowledgement Form will be placed on file.

Old Buiness:

- 1) Todd has not had a chance to discuss Equipment Replacement Fund with Jimmy due to pressing needs with pump station.
- 2) Outstanding checks have been researched and action is being taken to clear them off the books.

New Business:

River Raisin Watershed requested a delegate be appointed from the Council. Due to time constraints we do not have a council member available at this time. Council would still like information emailed to Village Office.

November & December overtime was reviewed and placed on file.

Next Meeting will be Feb. 4, 2013

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Respectfully Submitted, Denise Wylie, Village Clerk