

# Special Council Meeting Minutes

March 1st, 2012

**Call to Order-** 7:00 P.M.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call-** Ben Prescott, Bill Zoller, Giles Seith is absent, Linda Schilling, Paul Janson, Marty Hura.

- Motion to excuse Giles Seith by Ben Prescott, seconded by Bill Zoller. All eyes on vote.

**Others:** Mayor Linda Clark, Clerk-Treasurer Jenny August.

**Citizens:** Edith Cawley.

## **Legislation:**

**2012-10** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 121.03 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MANTUA IN ORDER TO ENACT ARTICLE XII SUBSECTION (5) AND ARTICLE XIII SUBSECTION (5) TO PERMIT THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Clark asked if we can open this up for discussion before suspending the rules. Ben asked if this is changing Council rules. Mayor Clark said it is. The reason for doing so is because we have several Council people with illnesses or other reasons they are not available to attend meetings. Shade Tree only has two members and one will not be available, which would cause us to cancel the program at the school. We thought if we had alternate members in place, we could still hold meetings.

Jenny asked if the alternates needed to be Council members. Yes, except Shade Tree and Parks. Ben asked if we have to appoint tonight? Marty said just for Shade Tree. Ben said he can't make the morning meetings. Paul said he would be the alternate for Safety. Marty said he would be the alternate for Shade Tree and Service. Linda said he would be the alternate for Finance. Ben said he would be the alternate for Parks. Linda said this rarely happens, but it so happens that at this time, we will need alternates. Jenny said this would give voting rights to the person who is the alternate.

- Motion to suspend the rules by Linda Schilling, seconded by Marty Hura. All eyes on vote.

Linda asked for a Motion for Ben to appoint the following alternates: Marty Hura for Service Committee, Paul Janson for Safety Committee, and Linda Schilling for Finance. Also then for Linda to appoint Marty Hura for Shade Tree and Ben Prescott for Parks Board.

- Motion by Linda Schilling, seconded by Bill Zoller. All eyes on vote.
- Motion to approve 2012-10 by Linda Schilling, seconded by Bill Zoller. All eyes on vote.

**2012-11** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE PORTAGE COUNTY ENGINEER IN A JOINT DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION GRANT APPLICATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mayor Clark asked if we would like to open this for discussion first. Linda explained DERG means Diesel Emission Reduction Grant. This is a federal 80/20 grant. This round is for plow trucks. It was suggested that we piggyback on the grant with the Portage County Engineers. We need pricing on the vehicle we want, and we would turn the Sterling over to the DERG Committee, and they would lock up the engine.

Anthony got two estimates. One is a Freightliner with basic standard equipment & plow, stainless steel salt spreader & tailgate, but a regular steel bed, and Anthony asked if we could a bench seat, heated mirrors and an air horn for \$111,957 from Valley Freightliner. He also got one from Valley Ford for an F650 outfitted the same for \$108,189. If the grant is approved, we would put in a bid, and someone would hopefully come in under that bid.

Ben said our 20% would be about \$22,000. Linda said it would be \$22,800 and we would have to certify the funds. Jenny said we have \$10,000 appropriated, but we have un-appropriated funds that we could increase by \$15,000 in the Street fund. Ben said he does not want to borrow any money. Linda Schilling asked if this will hurt the Street Fund. Jenny said it is money we may have used to pave another street, but this is such a great opportunity. Bill said we can pave another street and not have a truck to maintain it. Paul said these grant funds will be drying up. Ben said we have some money in Permissive that we could use to pave streets.

- Motion to suspend the rules by Linda Schilling, seconded by Marty Hura. All ayes on vote.

Ben suggested we go with the freightliner for \$111,957. Paul asked if our truck has to mirror what the County is buying? Linda said no, they are going with Internationals which are more expensive. \$135,000 and it is a bigger truck. Linda said the County Engineers are absorbing all of the cost of the grant writing.

- Motion to approve 2012-11 by Linda Schilling, seconded by Marty Hura.

Adjourned at 7:42 P.M. by Linda Schilling, seconded by Ben Prescott. All ayes on vote.

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Linda Clark, Mayor

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Jenny August, Clerk-Treasurer