

Village of Waldron

102 S. Main Street

Waldron, Mi 49288

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Council Meeting March 9, 2010

President Shirley Ames called the meeting to order and all joined in with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was taken. Present- Harold Douglas, Jeff Bernath, Richard Buck, Sarah Black, Angelica Barnes, Terry Esterline. Absent: None.

Harold Douglas requested the floor and submitted his letter of resignation as follows: Last week Mr. Roy Hall and Mr. Leo Burress brought a letter from the Attorney General's office stating that the two offices I hold are incompatible, as there is a contract with both the village, the township and the fire department.

Richard Buck made a motion to accept Harold Douglas' letter of resignation and to declare this seat vacant. Motion supported by Sarah Black. Roll call vote taken: Ayes- Richard Buck, Sarah Black, Angelica Barnes, Jeff Bernath, Shirley Ames. Abstained- Terry Esterline.

Shirley Ames entertained the motion to hire Harold Douglas to assist with budget financial matters, supervise the maintenance and other matters for the Council may request. Pay to be \$50.00 per month for a period of 2 years. Motion made by Richard Buck and supported by Sarah Black. Ayes-6. Nays-0.

Richard Buck made a motion to approve the minutes of the Council meeting for February 9, 2010, Special Meeting on February 23, 2010, and Special Meeting on March 1, 2010. Motion supported by Jeff Bernath. Ayes-6. Nays-0.

Harold Douglas asked the Council to look into cleaning up wood chips and stump removal.

Treasure Chris Douglas reported on the amount of taxes collected this year.

Chris Douglas spoke on updating the water program with the purchase of a new program, 2 days training, and a laptop.

Richard Buck made a motion to purchase the program and laptop in the amount of \$8,900.00. Motion supported by Sarah Black. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes- Richard Buck, Terry Esterline, Sarah Black, Angelica Barnes, Jeff Bernath, Shirley Ames. Nays- None.

Code Official, Sarah Black gave a report on the job of Code official.

Sarah Black also talked about either writing an ordinance regarding outside wood burning stoves or amending the burn ordinance to include outside wood burning stoves.

Shirley Ames reported to the Council on Act 51 payments, the Bar opening and that the contractors will be starting construction on March 15, 2010.

Richard Buck made a motion to pay the general bills from respected funds. Motion supported by Sarah Black. Ayes-6. Nays-0

Richard Buck made a motion to pay the Water Project bills for Wolverine \$12,000.00, Mauldon Construction \$87592.87 and Reed \$100.00 for water project and materials. Motion supported by Terry Esterline. Roll call vote was taken: Ayes- Jeff Bernath, Terry Esterline, Sarah Black, Richard Buck, Angelica Barnes, Shirley Ames. Nays- None.

Shirley Ames also reported that Mel Schaedler submitted bids for water line on Mrs. Bloods property. First bid was \$725.00 and the second bid was \$715.00. She stated that He would place a new bid on the project before next meeting.

Richard Buck addresses the Council on the Sole Source Aquifer deadline being moved back until April 16, 2010.

Terry Esterline made a motion to send a letter from the Council stating the Council did not approve of the proposal crossing the state line. Motion was supported by Richard Buck. Roll call vote was taken: Ayes- Sarah Black, Terry Esterline, Jeff Bernath, Angelica Barnes, Richard Buck, Shirley Ames. Nays- None.

Shirley Ames addressed Council on appointing Richard Buck as pro-temp. Jeff Bernath made a motion to accept Richard Buck as Pro-temp. Motion was supported by Richard Buck. Roll call vote was taken: Ayes- Sarah Black, Richard Buck, Angelica Barnes, Jeff Bernath, Terry Esterline, Shirley Ames. Nays-None.

Richard Buck made a motion to reduce public comment from 5 minutes to 3 minutes. Motion was supported by Sarah Black. Roll call vote was taken: Ayes- Sarah Black, Terry Esterline, Jeff Bernath, Angelica Barnes, Richard Buck, Shirley Ames. Nays-None.

Richard Buck made a motion to accept the bid from ARS on trash day collection on May 15, 2010 for the time between 8:00am and 1:00 pm. The motion was supported by Jeff Bernath. Ayes-6. Nays-0.

Richard Buck made a motion to purchase a power washer not to exceed \$700.00 for

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maintenance. Motion was supported by Sarah Black. Ayes-6. Nays-0.

Richard Buck made a motion to declare West Mill St. abandoned and revert back to property owner. Motion supported by Sarah Black. Roll Call vote was taken: Ayes- Richard Buck, Jeff Bernath, Sarah Black, Angelica Barnes, Shirley Ames. Abstained Terry Esterline.

Richard Buck made a motion to adjourn until next meeting on April 13, 2010 at 7:00pm. Motion was supported by Sarah Black. Ayes-6. Nays- None.

Marilyn Winchell
Village Clerk

Minutes subject to Council approval

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