

VILLAGE OF WALDRON
COUNCIL MEETING
November 13, 2002

The Village of Waldron held their monthly meeting with ten from the public present.

President Rossi called the meeting to order by asking everyone to join him in reciting the Pledge to the American flag.

Roll call of councilors was called: Present: John Burress, Christopher Crist, Pres. Proteme Harold Douglas, Roy Hall, William Hall, President Terry Rossi: Charles E. Meade Notified the council that he would be absent for personal reasons.

Committee Reports:

Chief reported that he had a favorable month and was thankful for how well the Halloween weekend went. Also noted that the Police budget is in the black if nothing unforeseen happens.

Village budget for the coming year was discussed: Three options was presented.

A. Fund the police department by using reserves and cutting back in areas that are in need of repairs.

B. Keep the services, which would leave approximately \$16,000 for the department.

C. By going with option B and putting a 4 mil increase on the ballot for the voters to have an input.

A motion was moved by John Burress “To place a measure on the March Ballot to raise taxes in the amount necessary to support a Law Enforcement Department for the Village of Waldron without cutting other services or using money reserves from prior years”. Supported by Christopher Crist: Roll Call Vote: Burress yes, Crist yes, Douglas no, Roy Hall no, Meade Absent, William Hall yes, President Rossi yes. Motion carried with four yes, two no, and one absent.

Noted that the Park shelter House roof is in need of repair.

Mr. Samuel Beaverson owner of Sammy's Friendly introduced the potential owners of the Tavern if they can acquire the licenses necessary to operate and asked for the approval of the council. (Brad Hanna & Brad Frey).

Burress moved to approve the change of ownership contingent upon the approval of the Liquor Commission. To approve all Activities currently licensed on the premises and for the new owners to acquire their licenses in their name. New owners to operate the business in accordance with current Waldron Village ordinances. Supported by Crist: Roll Call vote: Burress yes, Crist yes, Douglas yes, Roy Hall yes, Meade absent, William Hall yes, President Rossi yes. Motion carried unanimously with one absent.

Douglas moved to purchase a pressure relieve valve for to be used in the water department on a hydrant. Cost to be approximately \$704.65. Supported by Crist. Motion carried unanimously and one absent.

Jean Laser asked the Council for help in setting a flagpole at the Waldron cemetery for the Veteran memorial project that she is working on. She was referred to the Wright Township Board as they govern the cemetery.

Also asked about support of monies for candy, so that Santa Clause could pass out during his visit to Waldron. It was stated that donations could not be given to private concerns, but some way the project would be helped other than through the Village.

John Tanner requested that he would like a police report and arrest report. Mentioned that he would need to work with Chief Johnston and Chairman John Burress as to what would be public knowledge.

William Hall moved to approve the committee reports and the Minutes of the October 8th 2002 meeting. Supported by Douglas—Motion carried unanimously with one absent.

Douglas moved to pay the bills out of their respective funds. Supported by Crist. Motion carried unanimously with one absent.

Motion moved by Douglas to adopt the Fire agreement as written. Supported by Burress-- Motion carried unanimously with one absent, Crist & William Hall abstained as they are on the fire department.

Douglas moved to approve the sale of the Church at 101 Church St. for \$16,000.00 with \$200.00 down and \$175.00 monthly payments, beginning March of 2003. The bell will be put back in, but be kept as village property, in which, if the building ceases to be a church, it will revert back to the village. The new owners will have access to the building for remodeling as needed.

Supported by Crist—Roll call vote: Burress yes, Crist yes, Douglas yes, Roy Hall yes, Meade absent, William Hall yes, President Rossi yes: Motion carried unanimously with one absent.

Noted that petitions are available at the Village Office during office hours for to file for Trustee to sit on the council. Petitions are due in the office for party candidates by November 26th 2002 and for no party candidates December 10th 2002 by 4:00P.M.

Douglas moved to approve of the request for a permit from the Waldron Telephone Company to construct a building on lots 126 & 127 on South Main St. Waldron MI. and to have two trees cut and removed at their expense. Supported by Roy Hall: Roll call vote—Burress yes, Crist yes, Douglas yes, Roy Hall yes, Meade absent, William Hall yes, President Rossi yes. Motion carried unanimously with one absent.

Burress moved to adopt an Ordinance for the sale of real Property. Supported by Crist: Roll call Vote—Burress yes, Crist yes, Douglas yes, Roy Hall yes, Meade absent, William Hall yes, President Rossi yes. Motion carried unanimously with one absent.

President Rossi adjourned the meeting at 2030 hrs.

Village Clerk Richard Andrews

These minutes are subject to council approval.