

**EDMORE VILLAGE COUNCIL
APPROVED JOURNAL OF MINUTES**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular session of the Village of Edmore Council was called to order on March 10, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Curtis Community Building by President Karl Kluwe.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Members Present-**Kluwe, Ashbaugh, Ballard, Davis, Deja, Kohn.** Absent: **Adams.** Also present were: James Lower-Village Manager, Elaine Leak-Village Treasurer, Tracy Clark-Village Finance Director/Clerk, Luke Sawyer-Police Chief, and James Nessen-DPW Supervisor.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by **Ballard,** supported by **Deja** to approve the agenda with the removal of ELF Agreement. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.
4. **GUESTS:** Chris Hyzer, Montcalm County Controller,
Public Comments: None
5. **POLICE REPORT** on file
6. **FINANCE REPORT** on file.
7. **CLERK REPORT-Tracy Clark-**Minutes presented from February 9 and February 23, 2015 (regular, special meeting and public hearing) for approval. MOTION BY **Ballard,** supported by **Ashbaugh** to accept the minutes as presented. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.
8. **TREASURER'S REPORT-Elaine Leak** reported books balanced thru month of January.
 - A. **LAKELAND MILLS-**Made one payment and letter had been mailed.
 - B. **PAYMENT OF BILLS-MOTION BY Ashbaugh,** supported by **Ballard** bills presented be approved for payment. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.
9. **MANAGER'S REPORT-James Lower**
 - A. **PARK MASTER PLAN-**Spicer working on getting survey around. Hope to have done within next couple of months.
 - B. **FACEBOOK-**If police contract goes thru, would like to setup a more general facebook page to place more current items versus permanent items.
 - C. **BAG FACTORY-**All documents turned in, waiting for Historical Preservation to come out and look at site.
 - D. **MONTCALM ECONOMIC ALLIANCE-**Voted to place **Lower** on Executive Board.
10. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. **POLICE CONTRACT-**Actual costs in contract, which is on file. **Lower** positive for village and **Sawyer** will become full time deputy for Montcalm County. **Sawyer** is for the contract. **Ballard** noted the savings to the village. **Lower** pointed out Edmore will now have 100% of a 40 hour week for patrol without having to sit in office doing paperwork. **Lower** noted can cancel if doesn't work out. MOTION by **Ballard,** supported by **Ashbaugh** to enter into police contract agreement with Montcalm County Sherriff Department as presented. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.
 - B. **WATER TOWER-Lower** provided power point presentation. **Ashbaugh** asked about having contractor inspect after completed and whether annually or

one time. **Lower** explained would be one time once completed. **Lower** addressed warranty bond. **Ashbaugh** asked about removal of lead based paint and **Kluwe** stated a neutralizer is added. **Davis** wondered what made **Nessen** lean towards Utility Services. **Nessen** stated the financing over a period of time instead of a large lump sum payment and water rates could slowly be increased over a 7 year period, plus the annual inspections provided, and a washout. **Ballard** let's get concerns pinned down with Utility Services and give time to go over. **Ira** with **Dixon Engineering** would like to give presentation. **Kluwe** would like decision made at April meeting, with special meeting to be held March 16, 2015 for presentation with **Dixon**.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. GLENN D CURTIS MEMORIAL PARK BATHROOM-MOTION BY Ballard, supported by **Davis** to accept bid from **Scott Crater LLC in the amount of \$58,675** for construction of new bathroom. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dodson asked on lights out downtown, **Kluwe** stated some out due to accident and **Nessen** stated others out due to waiting on bulbs that are on backorder and having to pull conduit thru. **Dodson** wondered on replacing old water lines due to experiencing less than quality water. **Lower** stated has looked at, not there yet. **Guild** concerned about cost on tearing out new foundation for bathrooms and disposing of. **Kluwe** advised a committee was formed along with **Lower**, the recommendation made to move due to location and where items located, plus extra cost of running new water and sewer. **Dodson** wondered if meetings still being recorded, **Kluwe** advised YES. **Leak-Rensland**-thanked Chief Sawyer for his wonderful relation with children he has forged within community. **Shirley Poole** wondered if bathroom bids included tearing down old bathroom and **Lower** advised it is separate. **Nessen** advised \$1500 to tear down and **Lower** noted the \$1500 would have been spent even if the bathrooms not relocated. She also wondered if sewer and water lines need replaced since being moved. **Nessen** advised not now since old sewer line was just rehabilitated 3 years ago. **Dodson** wondered about tearing out foundation for bathroom and cost. **Nessen** stated would be \$500.

15. COUNCIL COMMENTS: None

16. MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 8:16 P.M. BY Ballard, supported by **Deja**. MOTION APPROVED unanimously.

Approved: April 13, 2015



Tracy L Clark, Village Clerk