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Council Corner

The August council meeting was again full of questions regarding the annexation of Stoneco. A large number of residents from Exeter Township were in attendance to voice their concerns that the village would be able to govern the quarry as efficiently as what they are now doing. It was the opinion of the group in attendance that the Exeter Mining and Mineral board was more effective than other townships. More investigation into the matter is still needed. Everyone is entitled to an opinion.

The council also discussed ways to solve the drainage problem on Bluebush road between Smith Street and Main Street.

The Library Table734-587-3680

Back to School Bingo

Event Type: General Age Group(s): Children Date: 8/28/2012 Start Time: 1:00 PM End Time: 2:00 PM

Description:

Back to School is just around the bend! Stop in to play some bingo and win some school supplies!!

Maybee Book Club

Event Type: Book Clubs **Age Group(s):** Adult **Date:** 8/27/2012 **Start Time:** 7:00 PM **End Time:** 8:00 PM

Description:

We meet the last Monday of the month at 7pm. New members always welcome. Stop by to pick up a copy of this months selection.

Other Information:

August 27 *Potpourri-Anything

September 24 The Butterfly Cabinet by Bernie McGill

October 29 The Most Dangerous Thing by Laura Lippman

November 26 Those Across the River by Christopher Buehlman

*Potpourri- Choose something you wouldn't normally read and share with the group

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Thank you to Dan at D and D Small engine for his help in obtaining a terrific deal on the new mower for the village. Grass cutting time at the park has been cut in half. Visit his

website at www.danddsmallengine.com.

A few answers to questions about the Village of Maybee

The village was established in 1873. At that time it was just a part of Exeter Township. In 1899 the village was incorporated and became a General Law Village. This changed quite a few things about the village. It was now self governing and had a Council President, Village Clerk, Village Treasurer, a Village Council, and back then even a Marshall. The village now collected taxes to maintain the government, maintain the roads and sidewalks, be responsible for street lighting, help support a fire department, create a village park, become part of a multi government library system, establish and maintain two sewer systems (sanitary and storm), and adopt a set of rules (ordinances) to keep everything moving. Because of the population of the village, Exeter Township is still used for property tax assessment and Monroe County tax collection. If the village would not have incorporated it would have remained under the jurisdiction and control of Exeter township and would have been a village in name only like the village of Scofield.

A few months ago a member of the council brought a proposal to the meeting to look into the possibility of annexing the land that is now owned by the Maybee Stone Quarry. This does not move the quarry into the Village of Maybee but expands the boundaries of the village to include the quarry. At the present time the village does not have any control over what the quarry does, the hours of operation, when the blasting occurs or when the trucks come through town. The village also does not receive any compensation for repairs that are needed to keep the roads up. **IF**, the village decides that it would be in the best interest of the residents to pursue the option of annexation, the village would now be the governing body that would set the rules for the quarry and would be the recipient of tax money and any other compensation that would become part of it. The village would also have a great deal of input into what would happen to the excavated property once the mining operation was completed. There is a lot more options for the property than you might realize. The final decision regarding the annexation is up to the Monroe County Board of Commissioners.

If you have any questions regarding what is taking place feel free to discuss it with the Village President or any of the Council Members. Leonard Gaylor, Larry Gramlich, Tony Lieto, Marge Van Auker, Mark Liedel, Dale Younglove, or John Gross. Phone numbers for the above are on the village website www.maybeevillage.com

When I was a kid growing up in Maybee will return in two months