

Village Of Maybee

Council Meeting

03/08/2023

President Joel Grubb opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: President Grubb, Council Shaw, Archer, Liedel, Gramlich, Iott, Lieto, Treasurer Grubb, and Clerk Shaw.

Motion to Approve Agenda with Addition of Museum Update: Shaw, 2nd Archer Carried.

Motion to Approve February Minutes as Presented: Gramlich, 2nd Archer Carried.

Motion to Approve Paying the Bills as Presented: Gramlich, 2nd Liedel Carried.

Motion to Approve Treasurer Report as Presented: Gramlich, 2nd Shaw Carried.

SEMCOG Presentation: Amy Malmer and Sheryl Theriot of SEMCOG came out to the meeting to give a slideshow presentation on what they are about and how a membership with them can benefit the Village. Ms. Malmer described how SEMCOG collects data and has it readily available to municipalities to use in reports, grant writing, and other uses. One of the benefits to joining SEMCOG is their ability to help locate/write grants for various types of funding as well as providing some of their own exclusive grants. The board had a few questions on how these services fit into small Villages like Maybee, Ms. Theriot talked about her experience of being a City Manger to a small city and how SEMCOG benefitted them.

Presidents Report:

Computer for Street Admin/Maintenance: It was suggested that the Street/Grounds Administrators should have a computer accessible to them for research, filing, and any other Village business. Mr. Hank Banas donated a computer to the Village, we are just waiting for the hard drive to be wiped.

Updates Made to the Website: President Grubb went over some updates made to the Village website as of late. There is now online registration for the Recreation sports, online Blight submission, an online contact form, and a new event tab to keep everyone up to date on the current events in the Village.

Considerations for the Website: President Grubb hopes to push traffic for information to the website. In the future the Village would like to add a front-page event list, a spot to get important information to residents, as well as an order form for the Brick Fundraiser.

Old Business:

Museum Update: Mr. Gaylor came to give an update on the chairlift project in the museum. While he is still on the estimate for construction, the project is expected to cost under \$10,000. He asked the Council to consider covering the costs for the project until the Historical Committee can reimburse the Village.

Motion to Pay for Chairlift Project Until Reimbursement from Historical Society: Archer, 2nd Lieto. Carried.

Recreation Committee Report: Mrs. Gramlich reports that we have 18 kids signed up for spring soccer so far, which is an increase from previous years with two weeks left of signups. Registration ends on March 24th and the season begins on April 10th. The Rec Committee has also planned an adult kickball fundraiser for the accessible swing set to take place on May 12th, Registration will open on April 1st and close on May 5th. President Grubb spoke with Barker construction regarding the pathway through the park, they are hoping to have the project completed the second week of April.

Street Administrator Report: Street Administrator Lieto received an email earlier that day from MDOT stating that the portion of Short St. that used to cross over the railroad has not been decertified in their mapping system and that Council will need to pass a resolution to decertify the portion. He gave an update on the street light repairs, the light out on High St. has been repaired and he will be meeting with DTE to go over 5 other lights to be repaired. Mr. Lieto and Mr. Iott have worked on street signs in 15 different locations and there are 4 more signs that need to be changed. Monroe County Road Commission expressed interest in purchasing the flashing stop signs that the Village has, the Council settled that we would sell them at \$1,000 per sign.

Motion to Approve Mr. Lieto to Negotiate \$1,000 Per Stop Sign with the Road Commission: Shaw, 2nd Gramlich Carried

During SEMCOG's report they announced that the grant the Village applied for to switch to LED street lights has been granted. This led to discussion on the pros and cons of LED lights and if the Village had a plan to add more lights due to LED not having a wide spread of light. Street Admin Lieto said he would talk to DTE on how to approach that issue.

Sesquicentennial Update: Co-Chair Lenter gave an update on the brick fundraiser, orders have to be submitted in minimum quantities of 10 or else there is an upcharge of \$15. Council Iott asked what happens to the bricks once they arrive, Co-chair Orrison answered that we will store the bricks here at the Village hall until we have enough to pave the courtyard. Mrs. Lenter went over a few events that are now set in stone, on March 29th there will be a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser at Madonna hall, on May 3rd there will be a Salad Luncheon/Vintage dress show at the Madonna hall, on June 17th there will be a euchre tournament at the Village hall, and others in the works. There was some discussion on how these events are being advertised, information for these events can be found on Facebook as well as on the Village website.

Baldwin Road Update: President Grubb opened the Baldwin road update with a discussion on how we can afford to continue/complete the project with current fund balances and quotes. There was discussion among those in attendance and Council on the drainage issue that effects those that live on Baldwin and part of Bluebush. This brought up the pros and cons of joining

SEMCOG and utilizing the grant assistance they offer, there was a decision on the floor to joining SEMCOG as members.

Motion to Join SEMCOG as Members: Archer, 2nd Lieto. Carried.

Replacing Chair and a Member on the Planning Commission: There was no interest in the two open positions on the Planning Commission.

Park Sidewalk/Swing Set Update: Topic was touched on during the recreation update, project is hoped to be done by April. President Grubb put together a bid packet with all the specs for the concrete work needed and sent it to a few different concrete contractors in the area for bids.

New Business:

Village Spring Dump Day Discussion: President Grubb brought up doing a Village Dump Day with dumpsters down at the ball diamond for Village residents to bring access junk. There was a motion to get as much dumpster space as we can not to exceed \$1,000.

Motion to Rent Dumpsters with Price not to Exceed \$1,000: Gramlich, 2nd Iott. Carried.

Smith St./Main St. Storm Sewer Maintenance: After the heavy rains the Village got there were two major storm sewer plugs on Smith St. and Main St. President Grubb stated that they are continuing maintenance on the storm sewers.

Jaws/ Make Work Spring Projects: President Grub contacted Bill with the JAWS crew to see if we can get them out to re-stripe/paint the curbs and edge the sidewalks in the Village before Maybee Day. It was suggested to have the JAWS Crew fix the bleachers at the ball diamond as they are in rough shape at the second diamond.

Council Comments:

Public Comments: A resident came to council to express concern regarding a blight and dangerous dwelling issue in the Village. It was stated that with our new Ordinance Enforcer that notices would start to be distributed to addresses with violations.

A resident also noted that when the speed signs were changed on Baldwin Rd., there was not a “reduced speed ahead” sign put in place. There will be a reduced speed sign put up coming into the Village on Baldwin Rd.

There was a sample resolution in the booklet sent out with the Act 51 map, the Council decided to change the verbiage on the sample resolution and pass it to decertify the portion of Short St. that was still certified according to MDOT. A roll call vote was taken...

Yays: 6
Nays: 0

Resolution passed.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting: Shaw, 2nd Gramlich Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:36 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Village Clerk, Leona Shaw