

Village of Maple Rapids
Regular Council Meeting
March 1, 2023

CALLED TO ORDER:

President Daryl Trefil called meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL:

Council Present: Bill Schmidt, Amanda VanEtten, Zackery Manning, Heidi Holland, Mitch Leiby, Paul Sorah

Absent: None

DPW: Mike Townsend

Fire Chief: Kelby Leiby

Motion made by Bill Schmidt to approve February 1, 2023 regular council meeting minutes as written. 2nd by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bill Schmidt to approve February 15, 2023 and February 18, 2023 special council meeting minutes as written. 2nd by Paul Sorah. Motion carried.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS:

Mariah Leiby asked about starting up the village festival again and if there is any money still available. There are some funds still available. She is going to see if there is any interest in getting a festival started again.

OLD BUSINESS:

John Mann and Dick Williams from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War have worked with Diana to get the paperwork completed to order three new headstones for replacement in the cemetery. They are hoping they will be delivered in early May. The property owner at 233 W. Washington Street attended meeting. He just signed a lease on a building to move his business into. If that does not work out, the council explained what would be needed to be done to apply for a special use permit. Amanda asked where we were at on getting someone to replace Tamie Parks for the Community Center. We have had no volunteers. Amanda and Mindy will meet and work on a plan.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Planning Commission: Paul Sorah

Next meeting will be March 15th at 6:30 pm held at the Village Hall.

Community Center:

None

FIRE: Kelby Leiby

Fire report was presented for February:	Fire Runs 0	2023 Total 0
	Medical Runs 6	2023Total 16

Chief Leiby interviewed two new applicants. The department hired Kelly Martin - MFR and Kyle Snyder - FF/EMT. Lt. Darren Lambert retired after twenty-three years of service. Thank you, Darren. Four members participated and became certified as Ice Rescue Technicians. All of our township service agreements are coming up for renewal this year. Kelby will start working with townships to renew the agreements. The department would like to replace the rescue truck. Kelby will be looking for something. Daryl received a text from Fulton Township Supervisor Doug Antes. He stated that Kelby had attended one of their meetings and he did a great job representing the Village Fire Department. Thank you, Kelby.

DPW: Mike Townsend

We have had two more water main breaks. The department has been dealing with some equipment breakdowns. The backhoe is down, along with some other equipment. Mike received an email stating he can take the water certification exam January 15, 2024. He can appeal for a different date. Mike would like to purchase a valve turner for \$3382.86 from Municipal Supply Company. It would be used on the main valves for water and sewer. Council asked him to get another bid.

PRESIDENT: Daryl Trefil

Daryl has been working with Frank Brechting, from Brechting Bridge Co. and Rich Kathrens, from Spicer Group on bridge repairs. The first part of April they are going to submit paperwork for a possible 2026 tear out. Until that time we can work with MDOT to restrict the weight on the bridge.

TREASURER: Mindy Thomas

Reviewed the financials for February. Presented the final financial for December 2022 including budget adjustments for 2022.

Motion made by Amanda VanEtten to approve the December 2022 budget amendments as submitted. 2nd by Zackery Manning. Motion carried.

Steven E. Wiswasser was appointed the new Clinton County Treasurer.

CLERK: Diana Henry

Granger contacted Diana regarding the recycling containers. There has been a large amount of contamination which caused those loads to go to the landfill. Council is okay with Diana continuing to work with the new clerk after March 31, 2023 as needed.

AMBULANCE: Bill Schmidt

They have two municipalities who have not passed the budget as of now. The window project is complete.

MISC:

None

Motion made by Paul Sorah supported by Bill Schmidt to pay bills.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Paul Sorah supported by Bill Schmidt to adjourn.

Motion carried.

Adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Submitted by: Diana Henry, Village Clerk

Upcoming meetings: Regular Council meeting April 5, 2023 7:30 p.m.

Zoning Commission March 15, 2023 6:30 pm

