PROPOSED Village of Maple Rapids Regular Council Meeting December 6, 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:

DPW: Tate Bennett Fire Chief: Kelby Leiby

Motion made by Paul Sorah to approve November 1, 2023 regular council meeting minutes and Special meeting November 8, 2023 as written. 2nd Zackery Manning. Motion carried.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS:

Dave Esterline Owner of 319 S. Maple Ave. made an offer to purchase 118 E. Washington St. Lot owned by the village.

Motion made by Paul Sorah that we accept his offer of \$12,000 for 118 E. Washington St.

Contingent based on terms and conditions to combine the two properties.

Roll Call

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

Nays: None Absent: None Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Plot plan approved for 466 S. Oak St. We will review ORV/UTV ordinance at January meeting. Zackery Manning and Mitch Leiby will look into getting estimates for the repairs of the community center parking lot.

NEW BUSINESS:

A plot plan for 250 W. Water Street was presented. Discussion took place regarding a variance for homeowner to live in a travel trailer as the addition is being added to their home.

Motion made by Bill Schmidt that we approve the plot plan and grant a variance for 6 months for the use of the travel trailer as a temporary home. 2nd by Paul Sorah. Motion carried.

The wage committee presented 2024 proposed wages.

Motion made by Bill Schmidt to approve the 2024 proposed wages as presented. 2nd by Paul Sorah, Motion Carried.

Planning Commission: Paul Sorah

Next meeting January 17, 2024 at 6:30 pm at village hall. We welcomed the new members of the committee; Jordan Upton and David Esterline.

Community Center: Mindy Thomas

Reported that there are many bookings for the holidays. Already receiving rental requests for 2024. The floors have been stripped and waxed.

Festival: Mindy Thomas

Festival for 2024 will be another 1-day event taking place on September 21, 2024. The festival committee is conducting fundraising events. One of the events is a Euchre Tournament scheduled for January 13, 2024 and the other is a casino bus trip scheduled for February 2024.

FIRE: Kelby Leiby

Fire report was presented for Nov: Fire Runs 2 2023 Total 21 Medical Runs 11 2023 Total 90

The fire department raffle was completed and the winners were Sarah Hart, Doug Kimmel, and Rachel Blanchard.

Hired 2 members onto the department. Totaling 24 personnel. Josh Blake successfully completed EMR(MFR) class and is awaiting to take his national registry test. The fire department was rewarded a grant and all ordering of gear and equipment has taken place. The MRFD now carries epinephrine on their rescue vehicles.

DPW: Tate Bennett

Mike received an estimate of \$4350 from Nelson Tank Company. It was requested that he reach out for more estimates. The DPW would like to purchase an electric valve turner the cost is \$3830.74.

Motion made by Zackery Manning to purchase valve turner for the amount of \$3830.74. 2nd by Bill Schmidt. All in favor Bill Schmidt, Amanda VanEtten, Zackery Manning, Heidi Holland, Mitch Leiby. Opposed Paul Sorah. Motion Carried.

Mike is pricing out a new salt spreader for next year.

PRESIDENT: Daryl Trefil

Daryl informed the council of the CWSRF & DWSRF teams meeting being held on December 11th at 2pm. Daryl has reached out to the well protection group and is waiting to hear back from them. Daryl recommends waiting until next spring to install the new hydrants.

TREASURER: Mindy Thomas

Reviewed November financials. Mindy presented the 2024 proposed budget. Motion made by Amanda VanEtten to approve the 2024 budget as presented. 2nd by Zackery Manning. Motion carried.

CLERK: Diana Henry

Diana and Sami have been working together for about a month now and things are going very well.

AMBULANCE: Bill Schmidt

Bill reported that they did not have a meeting in November. Should be getting their new rig. They are currently working on 2024 budgets.

MISC:

Bill had some questions regarding Mike's water license and Daryl advised he would contact EGLE.

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 9:18 p.m.

Submitted by: Samantha Tipton-Hodges, Clerk in training

Upcoming meetings: Regular Council Meeting January 3, 2024 7:30 p.m.

Zoning Commission January 17, 2023 6:30 p.m.