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Minutes of

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held

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Haskins Village Council
Journal of Proceedings
November 17, 2008

COUNCIL MEETING

The Village Council of Haskins met in the Town Hall at 7:00. Mayor Randy Varner called this meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Roll Call was taken by voice roll call, all council members present:

- Mayor: Randall J. Varner
Clerk / Treasurer: Lisa D. Heft
President Pro Temp: Mike Gonzalez
Council Members: Paul Gies, Wendi Eldred, Buzz Brown, Glenn Harding, Tim Enright
Absent
Solicitor:
Village Administrator: Scott Frank
Police: Chief Scott Frank
Visitors: Bill Davison, Jennifer Asmus, Blanca Dayss, Cindy Featzka

2. Approval of the Agenda for council meeting: Gies moved, Brown 2nd for the approval of the agenda all yes, motion carried.

3. Reading and disposal of journal of proceedings of the council meeting: Enright moved, Gies 2nd to approve the minutes from the November 3, 2008, all yes motion carried.

4. Reports, communications, appointments, and confirmations, from the mayor, directors, of departments, and other village officers:

A. Village Administrator/Police Chief: This report is on file with the clerk.

5. Public presentations and hearings.

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6. Old business (legislative business carried over from prior meetings):

7. New Business:

8. Committee Reports:

A. Finance and Audit: No report at this time

B. Public Safety: Wendi Eldred gave an update on the committee meeting that was held, these minutes are on file with the clerk. Eldred moved, Enright 2nd to purchase a police cruiser <Ford Explorer> not to exceed \$30,000.00. Mike Gonzalez was not present at the committee meeting, he inquired on the Dodge Charger that was discussed. Wendi addressed his question; Sergeant Bonnough felt the Ford Explorer would be more practical. The Ford Explorer is approximately \$1100.00 more than the Charger. The breakdown of payments through Ford Financing was presented, the one payment per year for 3 years with \$1.00 buy out at the end was what the village had previously done, and this has the best interest rate. Eldred amended her motion to include the interest to purchase the Explorer with the vehicle and equipment not to exceed \$32,000.00 to purchase of a Ford Explorer with the 3 year one payment per year with \$1.00 buy

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out from the police levy fund Enright 2nd, all yes motion carried. Scott Frank mentioned that the Explorer is not part of the state bid this year, Thayer Ford was contacted, and Thayer could not match this price that was presented. This purchase will take 90-160 days and it can be ordered anytime. The 96 police cruiser will be taken out of service. Wendi Eldred stated that she will be gathering prices on the list she has compiled from the recent table top exercise that was held.

C. Streets and Utilities: Tim Enright gave an update on the committee meeting that was held last month. Tim stated that several years ago he looked into a meter reading system for the village utilities. This involved a hand held device that would read meters; the price of this system years ago was very high, this price has now come down. Residential meters would need to be changed; the meters would be read and then downloaded into a docking station. The village would replace these meters for the residents; a transitional time would be needed to fully implement this device. A new meter would be less expensive than to retro fit the current meters. A portion of meters the village currently has could be resold. Right now it is approximately 6 days to produce an electric bill, with this system would drastically cut down this time, reading time would be about 1 hour. The labor the village would have would be about 3 minutes per meter to replace on the current meters. Even with out the meter conversion this would be a benefit for the village, the hand held device, the meter reading is directly entered, this will eliminate the books, When returned to the town hall the reading will be entered into a docking station and uploaded, this will eliminate the approximant 3 days needed to enter the meter reading as this is currently done. Mayor Varner asked if buying just the hand held unit, would there be a projected savings. The projected savings would be approximately \$4000.00 per year to start up with. Blanca Dayss inquired to if there would be any cost to the resident, Tim Enright stated that no there would not be. Blanca also asked if going to this system would eliminate someone's job. Tim said this may be a possibility; the person will need to be trained on this held hand device which will only be approximately and hour's time. Blanca also inquired if other village's or entities are going to this system, Tim addressed answered her questions. This system would be initiated sometime towards the end of January; the meters would need to be changed. In May of 2009 would be the excepted time to be fully implemented with this program. Enright moved; Gies 2nd to authorize the Village Administrator to initiate the contact with Neptune Company for the hand held receiver, radio read meters, software and yearly fee not to exceed \$22,000.00 from the electric operating fund. Scott Frank will contact the vendor and CMI, he will also present this contract to council, Mayor Varner recommends that the hand held and the software and force them prove out that the software will link. Scott Frank stated that we would loose are availability that the remote reading would work. Mayor Varner feels that sometimes installing software is not what the vendor promises. Neptune is familiar with CMI. Mike Gonzalez stated to have Scott Frank enter into the contract with some process of elimination that if the system does not work we could not use it, we could return it. Scott Frank stated the village can buy whatever number of remote reads they want otherwise the village will not be able to test the system. Before the village enters into any contract Scott Frank will contact CMI to sec if this is feasible and what the feed back is, all yes, motion carried.

D. Public Services: No report at this time

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E. Rules and Ordinances: No report at this time

F. Facilities and Grounds: No report at this time.

- 9. Treasurer's Report :** (Cash Summary by fund, Fund Status, Payment of Accounts, and Mayor's Court receipts, Bank reconciliation presented the second meeting of the month).
Harding moved, Gies 2nd for the approval of the treasurer's report, all yes motion carried.

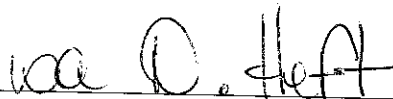
The clerk reported that income tax revenues are running right on target for 2008 a \$140,000.00 in income tax has been collected through the end of October.

- 10. Miscellaneous business (discussion of matter of general interest, communications, petitions and claims):**

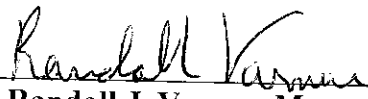
- 11. Visitors input for the good of the village:**

Bill Davison stated he would have liked to have seen the fire department at the recent table top exercise that was held in the village. Jennifer Asmus addressed Bill's concern, at the last table top the assistant chief was supposed to attend; the fire chief was out of town. Jennifer will make sure a representative will be there. Tim Enright stated that the table top exercise was an eye opening experience, the scenario that Chief Frank laid out was tremendous. Tim is great full for all the knowledge Chief Frank has. Jennifer Asmus apologized to Wendi Eldred for not getting back to her sooner concerning the Christmas tree lighting at Lusher Park. This will be Tuesday December 2nd, there are many things going on that night. However Jennifer will talk with the Key Club, Student council and the National Honor Society to help with this whether sing, hot coco or what ever is needed. Wendi has contacted St. Paul Lutheran Church and they will be making the animal friendly tree ornaments to be placed on the tree.

- 12 Adjournment: Harding moved, Enright 2nd to adjourn.**



Lisa D. Heft, Clerk/Treasurer



Randall J. Varner, Mayor