

Village of Maple Rapids  
Regular Council Meeting  
August, 4, 2021

**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: Amanda VanEtten, Cody Fry, Mitch Leiby, Paul Sorah  
Absent: Bill Schmidt, Jerry Kissling  
DPW: Mike Townsend  
Fire Chief: Kelby Leiby

Motion made by Mitch Leiby to approve July 7, 2021 regular council meeting minutes as written.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried.

**COMMENTS & CONCERNS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The village received a request from CMS Internet for a Metro Permit last month. It was sent over to our attorney for review. We received a reply from Mr. Salemi and everything is in order. Jeremy Sheets from CMS Internet attended the meeting. CMS plans on installing fiber service in the village.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to approve the right away Metro Permit with CMS Internet.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried.

Diana was contacted by assessor Beth Botke regarding the land split of parcel 081-008-000-490-00. Council discussed this and decided to table it. Daryl has been in contact with the property owner of this parcel. Mitch presented the estimate for a new leaf vac as requested by council last month. The total cost of the leaf vac and trailer is \$7153.00.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to purchase the new leaf vac with trailer for \$7153.00.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda VanEtten.

Mitch received two bids for sidewalk replacement and repairs. One bid was for \$15,264.40 and other was for \$13,781.50.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to accept Beck Leiby Concrete Construction estimate for sidewalk replacement and repairs. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Fry.  
Mitch Leiby Abstained. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The 2020 audit has been completed. Lauren Wenneman from Gabridge & Company was at the meeting to go over the audit and answer any questions. She stated the village is in a good position financially. We were given an unqualified statement which is the best we can receive.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to accept the 2020 audit as presented by the auditor.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Mitch Leiby. Motion carried.

A plot plan for 131 E. Main was presented.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to approve plot plan for 131 E. Mill Street. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Fry. Motion carried.

Diana went to file some papers in the safe deposit box at the bank and her name is not on that account.

Motion made by Amanda VanEtten to remove Linda Gavenda and add Diana Henry along with Melinda Thomas as the signees on the safe deposit box account at Commercial Bank. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Sorah. Motion carried.

Diana met with our insurance agent Kevin Decker to review our insurance policy. The policy renews on September 1, 2021. The total annual premium for the 2021-2022 policy period is \$28,608.00. That is an increase of \$1063.00 from the current policy period.

Motion made by Amanda VanEtten to approve the insurance renewal with the Decker Agency. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Fry. Motion carried.

### **Planning Commission: Wayne Wheeler**

No meeting in July. The next meeting will be on Aug. 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., held at the Village Hall.

### **Community Center:**

The community center is available to rent.

### **FIRE: Kelby Leiby**

Fire report was presented for July:	Fire Runs 01	2021 Total 23
	Medical Runs 02	2021 Total 36

Kelby will be scheduling the annual pump testing, SCBA PM and Compressor PM. Hose testing has been completed. There is a lot of fire gear that needs to be replaced.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to approve \$16,000.00 for fire gear. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried.

### **DPW: Mike Townsend:**

John Deere has taken care of the issue with the JD 1585. The repairs have been made and the mower returned. The last of the mosquito spray has been used. Mike will order enough for two sprayings.

### **PRESIDENT: Daryl Trefil**

Daryl was able to get an estimate from Smith Tree & Landscape to spray the lagoons.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to have DPW knock down the weeds and approve the \$2650.00 for spraying. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Fry. Motion carried.

Daryl contacted three different asphalt companies for quotes on some road repairs. Only received an estimate from Williams Asphalt.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to approve the estimate for \$12,182.00 and the 9'x70' drive for the recycling area from Williams Asphalt. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mitch Leiby. Motion carried.

Dalmac will be coming into town again this year. Discussed if we would want to rent a tent as we have done in previous years.

Motion made by Paul Sorah that we approve \$600.00 for the rental of a tent, tables and chairs. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried.

We have filed for funds under the American Rescue Plan. There will be limitations on what the funds can be used for. We have received a complaint about crop damage from deer. The property is located within the village limits. The DNR might issue hunting block permits for those areas.

**TREASURER:** Mindy Thomas

Reviewed July financial statement. Tax money has been coming in. CMS Internet will be paying \$500.00 for the Metro Permit.

**CLERK:** Diana Henry

We received the \$1125.00 grant money for the new security system. The replacement and repairs of the water meters are going well. We have fourteen more to replace and six to repair. I met with Ivan from Harlow Plumbing and we are going to offer a Saturday to help out residents. OnSolve system is billing monthly. We would like to pay the bill when it comes in without approval. It is \$2.67 a month. I have inquired if we can pay it annually, waiting for a reply. Council is okay with paying the bill when it comes in.

**AMBULANCE:** Bill Schmidt

**MISC:**

Mitch has contacted the Clinton County Animal Shelter and Capital Area Humane Society regarding the cat situation in town. Neither place will take them. Mitch found an OSHA approved cabinet for gas cans. The cost would be \$700.00 and it will hold nine cans.

Motion made by Paul Sorah supported by Amanda VanEtten to pay bills.  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Paul Sorah supported by Amanda VanEtten to adjourn.  
Motion Carried.

Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

Diana Henry

Village Clerk