

Mayor Opelt called the regular meeting of Council to order on Tuesday, December 21, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. Prayer was offered by Douglas Wegman followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. In Wegman's final prayer he said thank you Heavenly Father for all the support and faith given to him during his years on Council. He prayed that as years continue to pass, those who follow will grow in faith in themselves and others and that this Village will continue to grow and prosper in a rightful manner. He asked that our leaders be blessed and all those in this Village so we can continue to work as a big family.

Present for roll call were Panning, Wegman, Brann and Barnes. Vandersall and Sharp were absent. Also attending the meeting were Adam Wright from the Sentinel-Tribune and resident, Eric Campbell.

The minutes from December 7 and December 14, 2004 were reviewed. As there were no additions or corrections, the minutes stand approved as submitted.

Bills in the amount of \$6,621.46 were presented for approval of payment. Brann moved, seconded by Barnes, to pay the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #671, Resolution Authorizing Regular Blanket Certificate Purchase Orders issued by the Clerk to Remain Open and Unexpired for up to Six Months from Issuance, had its third reading. Brann moved to pass Resolution #671. Seconded by Barnes, the motion carried unanimously.

The vacuum cleaner at the Police Department needs to be replaced. The one used at the Town Hall has been repaired and if we purchase a new one for the Town Hall, the other one could be taken to the Police Department. If we would buy a new one like the one we already have, bags and parts would be interchangeable. The cost would be \$545.00. Wegman moved to purchase a new sweeper. Seconded by Barnes, the motion carried unanimously.

Barnes moved to approve the Cafeteria Plan for Village employees for the years 2004 and 2005. Seconded by Wegman, the motion carried unanimously.

Barnes moved to approve the UAN Agreement with the State. Seconded by Brann, the motion carried unanimously.

Received an estimate of \$2,000.00 from Eisenhour Motor Sales, Inc. to replace the transmission in the one-ton truck with a rebuilt one. Panning moved to have the transmission replaced on the one-ton as per the estimate whenever it is convenient. Seconded by Wegman, the motion carried unanimously.

Line item transfers for the month of December were made within various accounts and reported to Council.

MAYOR: Contacted TTL Associates, Inc. for a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the "Old Ford Garage", 118 W. Front Street. The cost will be \$1,900.00.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

WEGMAN: Feels the Village is moving in the right direction with Poggemeyer Design. He wants to see the downtown revitalized, said we need long range planning and encouraged all Council members to stay on board.

BRANN: The end of the year Fire Committee meeting will be Thursday, December 30, at 11:30 a.m.

BARNES: Will be getting the Economic Development Committee together right after the first of the year to get them up-to-date.

The Mayor expressed his appreciation to Doug Wegman for the time he has spent on Council, saying we will look to him for advice and knows development is important to him. He also conveyed thanks from the community for all he has done on Council, at school, for the Legion and Church. He has touched many people in a positive way.

As there was no further business to be brought before Council at this time, Wegman moved, seconded by Barnes, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk