

**VILLAGE OF VERNON**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL**  
**November 16, 2016**                      **7:00p.m.**

Meeting was called to order at 6:57 p.m. by President Steele

Present: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Absent: Trustee John Rosser

**Approval of minutes of regular meeting October 19, 2016**

Moved by Mac Neill, Seconded by Ethington to approve the minutes of October 19, 2016 as written.

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

**Approval of minutes of work session November 2, 2016**

Moved by Mac Neill, Seconded by Van Dusen to approve the minutes of work session November 2, 2016 as written.

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

**Approval of bills and accounts**

Moved by Ethington, Seconded by Mac Neill to approve the bills and accounts as submitted

Payroll                                      \$15,093.53

General Fund                                \$8,639.52

Major Street Fund                         \$4,500.00

Local Street Fund                         \$4,500.00

Sewer Fund                                 \$459.45

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

**CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Kathryn Burkholder, Outreach Coordinator with Consumers Energy, was present to discuss the upgraded smart meters that will be installed starting in 2017. Consumers will make sure that all residents are notified adequately and left information packets for us to hand out to residents also or help to answer any questions.

Gary Miller, 410 Elm St., questioned how Consumers would handle his meter since it is behind a locked gate. Mrs. Burkholder informed him that they would notify him and schedule a time to make the change.

Grey Wilcox, 405 N. Maple, questioned if residents could opt out of the meter change out. Mrs. Burkholder advised that residents could however it would be at a cost.

**Items of Business**

1. **Pipeline Services** – Moved by Winkowski, Seconded by Kimmer to approve the original proposal of \$48,557.00 plus \$5,800.00 for additional manhole repairs and protruding tap.

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

2. **SAW Grant Pay Request** – Moved by Ethington, Seconded by Mac Neill to approve pay request #3 for Fleis & Vandenbrink in the amount of \$25,547.62

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

3. **Miss Dig** – Moved by Winkowski, Seconded by Kimmer to approve Miss Dig membership to be compliant with Public Act 174 of 2013 Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act.

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

4. **December 7 Work Session** – Moved by Ethington, Seconded by Van Dusen to set combined work session/special meeting to allow new council to conduct business December 7, 2016.

Yeas: Trustee Ethington, Kimmer, Mac Neill, Van Dusen, Winkowski, President Steele

Nays: None

Carried.

**Correspondence**

1. **Paul Hubble, Police Chief** – Council reviewed the October 2016 Police Report
2. **Trevor Graves, DPW Superintendent** – Council reviewed the October 2016 DPW Report  
Trustee Mac Neill mentioned he did not feel it was safe to have DPW changing the intersection light with the backhoe. Would like to see more traffic control, possibly rent a lift or contract it out.

**CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Gary Miller, 410 Elm St., had questions regarding Building Official, Pole Barn on Clinton St., Glasers ditch, swimming pool and truck on Elm St.

Moved by Winkowski, Seconded by Ethington to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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Ellen R. Glass – Village Clerk