

R. Berecz called the Byron Council Meeting to order on April 14, 2008, with the pledge to the American and Michigan flags at 7:35.

Members Present: Hulett, Richardson, Boillat-Wilcox, Musall, D. Berecz, & Hulett.

Members Absent: Cole.

Visitors: See attached list.

The minutes were read and approved.

Musall made the motion to pay the bills totaling \$16,917.71 and the bills paid out through the month totaling \$13,096.51. Seconded by Boillat-Wilcox. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Helen Hulett: P. Care-65,796.92, Water-206,687.90, Sewer-779,918.39, L.S.-193,018.48, M.S.-108,850.11, General-145,071.28. TOTAL \$1,499,343.08.

The Police Report was reviewed and Boillat-Wilcox made the motion to accept the verification of hours worked for March of 281.95 hours. Seconded by Hulett. All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried.

A Planning Commission meeting was held tonight from 6:30-7:15 p.m. Boillat-Wilcox reported that the workshops that they attended were worth the money with a lot of good ideas. Doug Hetchler was unable to attend so Doug Richardson went in his place.

Berecz reported that he hadn't heard back from our attorney on being able to enter houses for checking to see if sump pumps are dumping into the sewer system.

Berecz passed out a list of concerns with the Peckins Special Use Application. Boillat-Wilcox addressed the President for permission to step down from the discussion due to a conflict of interest at 7:50 p.m. Mr. Peckins addressed the 7 items on the list (see attached sheets). D. Berecz stated that the answers are vague she thought he was suppose to meet with John Enos to discuss the concerns prior to the meeting. Peckins stated he didn't meet with John Enos, but still plans to meet with him to finalize any concerns. Musall also was concerned that Mr. Peckins hadn't met with John Enos. D. Berecz made the motion to table the Peckins Special Use until more information is received. Seconded by Richardson. All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried. Boillat-Wilcox addressed the President for permission to come back to the council, recognized to come back to the council at 8:10 p.m.

Attorney Bridges is requesting a raise from \$95. to \$105./hour. His last raise was 2003. Berecz so moved and Hulett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote. Hulett-Aye, Richardson-Nay, Boillat-Wilcox-Aye, Musall-Aye, Berecz-Aye. Motion Carried.

Garbage removal quotes were opened: RWS-\$8.50/resident, Waste Management-\$8.00/resident, and Allied Waste-\$7.85/resident. Both Waste Management and Allied Waste had fuel charges added to the monthly cost. Boillat-Wilcox made the motion to table the decision until the DPW Committee can review the contracts to compare prices and report back at the next council meeting. Seconded by Musall. All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried.

Berecz reported that each one has a copy of the audit report, review and any questions contact the Clerk.

Krista Ayotte wanted to know what can be done with people who don't clean up their yards. Berecz reported that the police are working on any abandoned cars in people's yards. She wasn't concerned about the cars it's all of the other junk, like a whole line of shopping carts. It's the first thing you see when you come into the Village. Berecz stated, "Any concerns should be directed to Chief Sampey."

Don Thompson wanted know when the end building was going to have the windows boarded up before the building collapses? Also, it was brought up that a board above the Rooster's Kitchen entrance is hanging down. Berez reported that we will contact the county building inspection office again about the problem.

Ralph Pasola reported that he had talked with Rex Peckins and he will meet with him Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 a.m. and he would like a council person to be present. D. Berez said she would be to the meeting.

Jerry Cole stated that there is a \$65.00 fee for the Health Dept. to inspect before every charitable dinner, and Congressman Ball is trying to get legislation passed to make it possible for the county NOT to have to charge for charitable dinners. He also stated that he is running for commissioner again and would appreciate our support.

Berez reported that an evaluation of streets needs to be done for seal coating and paving. There was a question about the cemetery contract Boillat-Wilcox had been approached about someone wanting to do the mowing. Berez reported that we have a contract at this time. Musall reported that committees need to be active and they need to have meetings and report back each month. One person can't do everything. The committees are the strength of this board.

D. Berez stated that the police committee would like to send Doug Fulton and Tim Sampey to a Detective and New Criminal Training at a cost of \$395.00/person plus 40 hours of pay/person, the class would sharpen daily skills. Chief Sampey would attend a later session. Musall made the motion to approve two officers to attend the training. Seconded by Hulett. Roll Call Vote. Hulett-Aye, Richardson-Nay, Boillat-Wilcox-Aye, Musall-Aye, & Berez-Aye. Motion Carried. It was requested that Chief Sampey approach Argentine Township about paying part of Officer Fulton's class because it would also benefit them.

D. Berez also read a letter of resignation from Officer Teffner effective 3/31/08. Berez made the motion to accept Officer Teffner's letter of resignation. Seconded by Musall. All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried.

D. Berez stated that Officer Fulton is a K-9 Officer and he has a dog for tracking drugs and people. Chief Sampey stated that we have had several issues with drugs lately. He has checked with our insurance carrier and there is no additional insurance cost with having a K-9 unit. The dog does have to train twice a month, which would be a cost of 8 hours/month for Officer Fulton. The back seat would need to be removed when Officer Fulton is on duty and the DPW employees could build a bench for the dog to lie on. Musall approved the above recommendation, seconded by Berez. All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried.

Berez reported that the chemicals for killing the duck weed problem at the lagoons is \$1600/lagoon. Musall made the motion to purchase the chemicals, seconded by Berez. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes No Nays. Motion Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

**BILLS**

Xerox	Copier	89.22
Sun Trak	Gas	584.85
RWS of Mid-Michigan	Garbage Removal	1785.68
Fidlar Companies	Supplies	144.94
Tom Bridges	Attorney Fees	978.50
Campbell, Kusterer	Audit	3200.00
Worker's Comp	Insurance	7789.00
Midas Muffler Brake	Police	924.83
Staples	Supplies	11.08
Signature Ford	Supplies	275.63
Home Depot	Supplies	419.54
Coffield Oil Co.	Diesel	437.47
Carlisle/ Wortman	Zoning	598.87
Tower Electric	Supplies	34.56
Cintas	Uniforms	102.28
Car Quest	Supplies	36.96
Gill Roys	Supplies	7.45
Ace Hdwe.	Supplies	12.72
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,917.71</b>