**Village of Cement City**

**Council Meeting Minutes**

May 9, 2013 7:00 p.m. Village Hall Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Cement City Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance: 8 Citizens present. Members present: James Ellis, Larry Babinger, Bill Bendele, Michael Gavett, and Mel Cure. Clerk Carol Ladd, Treasurer Chari Cure, DPW Tim Wheaton were present.

**Departments**

Police: Sgt. Niles reported on police activity. Citizens requested that Sgt. Niles look into speeding issues regarding a Lumen Christi bus that drives through the village.

Fire: No Fire Report.

**Guest Speaker-** Representatives from Jackson County Road Commission presented a quote for Jackson Street and explained Federal Funding for the project. Wheaton also submitted a request for a quote for other village roads and a quote was presented. Quote on Jackson Street includes double line painting, chip seal, and fog seal. Motion made by Babinger second by Gavett to accept JCRC proposal for $8627 on Jackson Street with additional amount up to $5,000 for Durapatch pending JCRC recommendation. All ayes, motion passed. Work will begins after June races to avoid traffic stoppages.

**Minutes Reviewed**-Regular Meeting minutes of the 4-11-13 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Cure, second by Gavett to accept the Regular minutes as presented. Ayes all, motion passed.

**Receipt of Treasurer’s Report**-Report reviewed by all. Motion made by Cure, second by Babinger to accept the March Report subject to audit. Ayes all, motion passed.

**Presentation of Existing Bills**- Motion made by Cure, second by Gavett to pay existing bills and late addition from Rust for up to $175 for parade supplies. Ayes all, motion passed.

**Staff Progress Reports-**

Zoning: No report.

Building Inspector: Taylor submitted written report. No report yet regarding court decision to condemn Woodstock Street house.

DPW: Tim reported on road work and quote requests. Tim will gather quotes for necessary tree work.

**Old Business**

Cindy Rust gave update on parade. Requests for donations have been mailed and the committee will be meeting to shore up details.

**New Business**

A tentative budget for the close of 2013 and a recommendation for the 2014 budget year was presented. A final recommendation will go before the board in June per the charter.

Cement City will host Spring Clean Up on May 11th from 8:00 a.m. – noon. Ellis asked volunteers to check on residency and to ask all to be mindful in the amount of refuse that is collected being sure that service is properly allocated.

Bendele presented a letter of update communicating that he is researching what needs to be done in regards to a conditional use permit vs. a request for a change in zoning. Jim Rust thanked the council for being open and receptive to helping potential business requests.

Gavett reported that the post office will sponsor a canned food drive on Saturday, May 11th . Donations can be left at your mailbox for carrier pickup.

Discussion took place regarding Potter Street demolition. Residents cannot afford demolition permit and have made no effort to clean up property. Motion made by Bendele, second by Babinger to waive permit fee if progress is made on clean up in the next 60 days. Ayes all, motion passed. Ellis to get with Columbia Township Police to start process to allow for village to clean up safety hazard if home owner does not respond.

Masons reported that they will provide 150 hot dogs and chips. The church has volunteered to donate the buns.

A letter of resignation was accepted with regret from councilman Gavett. Gavett was thanked for his service. Gavett thanked the village for support and encouragement.

**Good & Welfare**

Motion made by Ellis, second by Cure to adjourn. Ayes by all, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by Carol Ladd, Clerk

Approved by James Ellis, President