

Corrected Minutes 2/8/2016 Per Recording
Village of Byron
Special Council Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2016

Meeting called to order at: 6:01 pm

Pledge of Allegiance Led By: President Brunell

Roll Call – Present: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Cole (Arrived at approximately 7:15pm), Orr, Berecz and Brunell.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve amended agenda, adding Special, by Miller, seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Orr, Berecz and Brunell; Passed.

Public Comments: None

New Business: A) School Sewer Revised Contract: Gormley explained the changes in the contract and that council needed to motion to accept revisions. Motion by Miller to accept the revised contract- Mutual Release and Complete Settlement Agreement Regarding 2014 Sewer Bills; seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes- Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Orr, and Brunell; No Nays, Absent-Cole, Passed.

B) Purchase Agreement with Ambrose: Gormley explained how the sale of Village property works and explained conversation with K. Drury. He said the \$1000.00 non-refundable deposit would cover attorney cost. He said it looks like each lot is going for \$20,000.00 and it looks like there is 9 lots. He said you can't profit from selling the lots but, can deduct the cost of maintaining the property. If you like the proposal when it comes in we can move forward by doing the ordinance which once approved will give the president the right to complete the process. More discussion took place on the all properties.

C) DPW Positions: Brunell explained Bretzlaff being gone and when he would return. She also explained that the tax payers are paying for services and we need to move forward on filling the DPW positions. She also said we received two applicants and they have been invited to come to the meeting to introduce them.

R. Musall talked about himself and Brunell explained salary issue. Miller said we can't afford \$19.50 per hour and personally we can only afford \$15.00 and we should never go back to having one person licensed for water. Having the water contract takes care of that and we have a company to dig graves. Miller also said that we have been running a deficit for years. Brunell explained cost of grave digging increase and Miller said we had 2 people and it is the fault of the Village that they left because of no training. We can restructure the department and train the people. Brunell explained bringing the cemetery mowing and grave digging back to the DPW and the Village will make more. Orr said they make the money on the foundations. Gormley explained the cost per week at \$19.00 per hour for 40 hours. Orr said with mowing the cemetery it could be a 40 hour job. Brunell explained the need for two people. Gormley did the math and said we could afford two people and keep HES. Prestonise asked if we take some of the water functions back will they reduce their cost and they still hold the license. Gormley said it is worth exploring. Discussion on Bretzlaff retiring and just doing us a favor; Bessenbacher asked if

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he could be contacted and Brunell said she would try. Prestonise made comment about declining his DPW position and he asked Musall if County could fill pot holes. Musall said you can always ask.

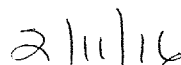
Miller asked Musall if he would just work for the Village and not the County. Musall said yes. CDL license discussion took place. Miller asked if comp time flexible and Prestonise said we would have to write up something for comp time. Brunell asked if he would go hourly and not salary. At this point J. Boatright came up and talked about himself. Miller asked about CDL and Boatright said working on it. Miller asked about part time and Boatright said if hours and wage right. Miller asked if both applicants if they were team players. Berecz asked Boatright if he had an idea about what he wanted to make per hour and Boatright said \$12.00 to \$15.00 at this point. Brunell asked starting time; Boatright said Monday and Musall said at least 2 weeks. Bessenbacher asked Boatright about snow plowing and Boatright said yes. Miller said I don't want the job, I offered to help the Village, and if something happens I think we need to neutralize us. Gormley did some math on the cost of having full time DPW. Berecz said we won't get water and sewer for the same rate down the road, I still think we need to have someone in place for the water. We had someone that would not share knowledge and train someone. More discussion took place on the DPW positions and if both had licensed they may move on to other jobs. DPW positions are going to be attached to the February 2, 2016 special meeting.

Council Comments: Brunell talked about water issue and asked Dickinson for a sample, which he provided. Miller and the rest of council had been contacted about the issue. Prestonise said that there was a fire in the township and the hydrant used could have played a part in it. Berecz asked about the request to review bills and Gormley explained the 72 hour time frame for request. Berecz said he doesn't know filing system and the vacation brought everything to a halt. Brunell and Miller explained the grants and how much money the Village will need for match. Cole asked about truck in ditch and Miller explained need for tow truck. Cole said can dump snow on large part of Red Mill. She also said resale shop was sold and 2 years before they need to move. Miller said we need to restructure for the future. Brunell said we will need totals for budget and Orr said leave the same. Cole asked about a budget meeting. Prestonise asked about the return of police equipment and both Brunell and Gormley said handled. Gromley suggested putting a pad lock on door. Bessenbacher asked if gun issued to L. Crooks and Brunell said yes. Bessenbacher asked about Sampey ID and Miller will put lock on the police door. More discussion took place on police department.

Public Comments: None

Meeting adjourned at: Motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm by Miller and seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes- Miller, Prestonise, Bessenbacher, Cole, Orr, Berecz and Brunell; Passed.


Marsha Reed, Clerk


Date


Kit Brunell, President

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