

**VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 6, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Westphalia Village Council was called to order by President Dean Kohagen at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance given to the flag.

**Council Member, Attendance:** Tim Fandel Steve Miller Dean Kohagen, President  
Kevin Krzeminski Phil Smith Sandy Smith, Clerk  
Dave Boswell Nort Upson, Pres. Pro-Tem

**Guests, Present:** Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner  
Jim Bierstetel, DPW Supervisor  
Scott Strong, Resident  
Ryan Cressman, running for Clinton County Sheriff

**Minutes & Agenda:** The agenda was accepted with changes. Member Miller made the motion, supported by Member Fandel to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2012 regular meeting with changes. Motion carried.

**Guests:** Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner gave an update on County issues which included, Board reorganization, 911 update, County cell phone and vehicle use policy. Mr. Ryan Cressman introduced himself to the Council and announced his plans for running for Clinton County Sheriff. Resident Scott Strong presented an idea for the Council to consider constructing Tennis Courts here in the Village. Much discussion followed. The Council will work on obtaining additional information, ie location, cost, etc. The Council will consider and discuss at future meetings.

**Water System:** Clerk Smith and DPW Supervisor Bierstetel reported on a meeting they had with Michigan Rural Water Association. The Association is working with the Village on making sure our water rates are such that the village would be covered in the event of a system malfunction. The DPW Department is currently working on obtaining property for a potential site for a future well.

**Streets:** Member Fandel made a motion to approve a resolution for Consumers Power lighting requirement replacement change. Member Krzeminski seconded. Motion carried.

**Financial:** Member Fandel presented the bills to the Council and made a motion to approve. Member Upson seconded. Motion carried. Clerk Smith presented the 2012/2013 Proposed Operating Budget. Member Krzeminski made a motion to approve the 2012/2013 Proposed Operating Budget. Member Boswell seconded. Motion carried.

**Building & Zoning:** Member Boswell presented Zoning Permit number 12-001, Scott and Dana Platte, 220 N. Westphalia, addition and garage. Zoning permit does not comply with zoning requirements at this time. Permit number 12-001 was denied.

**Community Services:** Clerk Smith presented new three year contract from Kenmark Inc. (Christmas Decorations). Member Upson made a motion to renew contract with Kenmark. Member Smith seconded. Motion carried. Clerk Smith presented the bid that was received from Granger Inc. for a once a week trash pickup. After discussion a few questions were presented and Clerk Smith will contact Granger with questions.

**Planning Commission:** Member Boswell reported that Fred Martin resigned as Commission chair. Member Boswell was nominated and approved as the new Planning Commission chair. The Council would like to thank Fred Martin for his service and also thanks to Dave Boswell for taking on this roll. The next Planning Commission meeting is February 7, 2012 (7:00 p.m.).

**Administrative Issues:** The Historical Society met during the month of January. They are thankful to the new members that have come on board, but would like to see the committee grow even more. Please consider this worthwhile group.

**Next Council Meeting:** March 5, 2012, Monday (7:00 p.m.)

**Adjournment:** Moved by Member Smith supported by Member Boswell. Motion carried.