## VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA COUNCIL MEETING December 5, 2016

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: Steve Miller Phil Smith Dean Kohagen, President

Dave Boswell Sandy Smith,

Tim Fandel Kevin Krzeminski Nort Upson, Pres. Pro-Tem

Guests, Present: Jim Bierstetel, DPW Supervisor

Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner

David Yost, Michigan Consulting & Environmental

*Minutes & Agenda:* Member Upson made the motion, supported by Member Fandel to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2016 regular meeting and the meeting agenda with additions. Motion carried.

<u>Guests:</u> Mr. David Yost of Michigan Consulting & Environmental attended the meeting to update the Council and answer any questions they may have with regards to the removal of the fuel tanks west of town. Discussion followed. Statute required the removal of the tanks. Samples of the area will be tested and findings shared with the State. Clinton County Commissioner Dave Pohl updated the Council on County issues which included; new Board member, Budget approved, 911 tower in the southeast corner of the county is up and working.

**Sewer System:** One of the two pumps located in the Northeast part of town is bad. The part has been ordered and will take approximately 6-8 weeks for delivery. The current running pump will be looked at and possibly enhanced.

<u>Financial:</u> Motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of November for all funds was made by Member Fandel. Member Smith seconded. Motion carried.

**Building & Zoning:** No new Zoning Permits at this time.

<u>Streets:</u> President Kohagen shared a proposal from Bruce Pindzia from Fleis & Vandenbrink with regards to the downtown business district project to bury powerlines, new lighting, asphalt, and sidewalks. Council was asked to look over proposal and note any questions they may have. Discussion followed.

**<u>Planning Commission:</u>** The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 3, 2017. The Planning Commission is currently working on the downtown business district streetscape project.

<u>Community Service:</u> The Village Council and Planning Commission would like to acknowledge and congratulate all involved in the successful fall PW sports programs. The girls Cross Country State runner-up; boys Cross Country State Champs; and boys Football State Champs.

<u>Administrative Issues:</u> President Kohagen appointed Sandy Smith, Jamie Smith, and Mark Thelen to the Council for reappointment to the Village Office of Clerk, Treasurer and Assessor respectively; with a term of office ending November 2018. Motion carried. President Kohagen appointed Tony Smith and Brett Thelen to the Planning Commission with terms ending 2019. President Kohagen appointed Dave Boswell and Bill Schmitt to the Board of Appeals with terms ending 2018, Fred Martin to the Board of Appeals term ending 2019, and Mark Schafer and Nort Upson terms ending 2020. The 2017 Planning/Council meeting schedules were finalized.

Next Council Meeting: January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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