

**Minutes of the Joint Clay Township/City of Algonac Meeting Held on Tuesday, May 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Algonac City Council Hall, 805 St. Clair River Drive, Algonac, Michigan**

Mayor Pro-tem, Irene Bird, called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: (Algonac) James Wisdom, William Jacobs, Chuck Bayly, Helen Meldrum, Gerald Tuzinowski, Irene Bird

ABSENT: Raymond Martin

PRESENT: (Clay) Connie Turner, Michael Pellerito, Jon Manos, David Dare, Jay DeBoyer, John Makuch.

ABSENT: Patricia Sharrow

Mayor Raymond Martin arrived at 7:02 p.m. Called for a moment of Silent Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Citizens wishing to be Heard:

Pamela Wall, 1426 St. Clair River Dr.

Diann Pellerito, 7279 Dyke Road

Discussion of Items of Mutual Interest:

A. DRC Operations:

Martin: Sent a letter of notice on June 28, 2006

Pellerito: Still planning in pulling out on July 1, 2006?

Martin: No, intend another year, to June 2007. Need to discuss cost.

Discussion of problems and possible solutions.

Tuzinowski: DRC is a good program, the financial problems are our own, trying to use the building in the best way.

Makuch: It should be run like a business. DRC does a good job

Pellerito: Are we going to stay at \$40,000.00?

Martin: Yes

Discussion regarding Oaklawn Cemetery, about 5 years left of available space. Need to look for property

B. Library Operations

Discussion of the library accounting methods, first received no answers, but account has been fixed.

Pellerito: Library Board would like input on the Budget, have been dissatisfied. Budget was amended and didn't know about it. Seeing workers compensation, etc. when repairs are done, was not seen in the past.

Martin: Treasurer working on bringing account up to date.

Discussion on whether or not to build fund balance for the library

Tuzinowski: \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 should be sufficient to operate.

Manos: Too much, \$5,000.00.

Martin: Protect this budget year and get assessment of what has to be done at the library.

Agreed to \$10,000.00 each.

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Break at 8:58 p.m.

Meeting called back to order by Mayor Martin at 9:10 p.m.

C. Water Plant:

City Manager: Upgrades done, seeing cost reduction, will meet 920 per skid with no problem.

Manos: Meet cold-water test?

City Manager: State will accept test at 39 degrees or below, at 39 degrees it passed, need verification when State lifts moratorium.

Pellerito: Using less water.

D. Water plant replacement fund:

Manos: Going to require amendment. Put together a letter for agreement to set money aside and sent to Attorney Joachim for review, have heard nothing.

Meldrum; Chris has the agreement.

Manos: Money to be set aside for capital improvements only.

City Manager: Needs to be hashed out with attorneys.

Pellerito: Attorney has had letter since 2003.

Tuzinowski: Haven't paid for filters, if have to pay will it be out of this fund?

Pellerito: We have \$450,000.00 now.

Martin: Case of "let's get together".

Council Comments:

Meldrum: Like to see derogatory remarks about City Manager stop.

Adjournment:

Motion by Jacobs, supported by Bird, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Michael P. Pellerito  
Clay Township Clerk