

Village of Kaleva
Minutes of Council Meeting
December 18, 2017

PRESENT: Kim Somsel, Jim Frizzell, Rick Schafer, Jack McKinley, Tony Covell, Also: Sonya Potts, Judy Schafer, Joel Asiala.

GUESTS: Clarence Harju, Elizabeth Dufrense

MINUTES: T. Covell Motion to approve; J. Frizzell seconded. MC

ORDERS: T. Covell motion to approve J. McKinley seconded. MC

BUDGET: J. McKinley motion to adopt 2018 Budget as proposed. R. Schafer seconded. MC

Millage: T. Covell motion to increase millage by 2 mills. J. McKinley seconded. MC All yes, D. Grossnickle absent

RESERVED TIME: None

UNRESERVED TIME: Clarence questioned whether it was more cost effective to hire plowing out or have our employees do it. Village is reimbursed for equipment rental.

Elizabeth is interested in being on the counsel. She gave a summary of her qualifications and strong history of grant writing. Counsel requested she submit letter of intent.

REPORTS:

Fire – quiet

Streets – White, look good. Library had Dave Barrett plow also.

DPW – Rookies are on it! Need another person to help shovel and salt due to time periods it needs done in. Need help keeping Library shoveled.

Park – Closed

Water – 10 weeks – 3 leaks. R. Schafer will attend class January 11th in Hart for new requirements.

Zoning – Need to start tagging cars that are parked in the streets during the night.

Planning Commission – No report

Rental Standards – New rates will take affect after 1st of the year. Will send letters.

Correspondence: Letter from Faye Kaarto re: Doug Peters' property.

Letter from Allen Grossnickle re: discussed issues with existing wells and costs to maintain.

Old Business:

Library repairs – K. Somsel will contact a licensed contractor and get it on the schedule for spring. Furnace was broken again and needs to be fixed properly.

Cupboard – J. Asiala will contact Darrell Howes to see if he wants to take it down or use it for migrant housing.

New Business:

Sand Shack/Street sweeper – Next year may need to get a building to house it for winter winterized.

Theresa Finan – Wishes to get 2 scoops of sand and we will bill them.

Plowing – Discussed hours and employees. Discussed cutting J. Asiala's hours to 20 in winter. McKinley says J. Asiala doesn't have a CDL and village needs to pay another person to do plowing. J. Asiala says he does everything he needs to do to get stuff done and needs 40 hours to survive. J. Frizzell motion to pay J. Asiala 40 hours in winter. R. Schafer seconded. Very heated discussion J. McKinley and J. Asiala stormed out of meeting. Roll Call: T. Covell – No, R. Schafer – Yes, J. Frizzell – Yes, K. Somsel – Yes, Jack – Absent J. McKinley, D. Grossnickle MC

Battle House on Osmo – She hasn't fixed the house up since told to do so. Need to send her a letter and then ticket her if necessary.

Trail report – Some trails will open for ORV travel, Thompsonville to Kaleva will not.

Lions Club Christmas Dinner – all are welcome.

Nothing further was discussed and meeting was adjourned.



Sonya L. Potts
Village Clerk