

**Lake Linden Village Council
Regular Meeting
September 7th, 2005**

The Lake Linden Village Council met on the above date in the Village Hall at 6:30pm. President Aittama presided. The following Trustees responded to roll call: Fisher, Hamlin, Frohmader, Friendewey, Hoffman and Aittama. Absence was granted to Trustee Heide.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Trustee Fisher and supported by Trustee Friendewey to approve the August regular meeting minutes as presented. All were in favor. Motion was carried.

Approval of Agenda:

After one addition, a motion was made to approve the agenda by Trustee Hamlin and supported by Trustee Fisher. All were in favor. Motion was carried

Public Comments:

Houghton County Historical Society President Dick Taylor presented the final interpretive plan for the museum to the Council. He gave specific information on steps to be taken there over the next year and emphasized the signage for the historic walking trail that would be placed at various historic points of interest around the Village. After several questions from the Council he said he would provide a copy of the plan to the Council. He also invited Trustees to a Volunteer Appreciation Banquet on October 15th at the Congregational Church.

Bills and Financial Statement:

The bills and financials were introduced. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Trustee Hamlin and supported by Trustee Fisher to approve the bills as presented. Poll vote; Yes; Hamlin, Fisher, Friendewey, Frohmader, Hoffman, and Aittama. No; None. Motion was carried.

GEN FUND	<u>Source Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	Richard & Janet Hanner	Campground Host	1,024.50
	MERS	July 2005 retirement	3,034.50
	Ron Schmitt	4 Co-Pay Reim.	90.00
	SBC	Phone	167.75
	SBC	Telephone	21.03
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	State of Michigan	Lein Fee	131.00
	UPPCO	Power	60.44
	James Aittama , Pres	3 co-pay reimbursements	55.00
	Pat Lajimodiere	2 copays	70.00
	Cheryl Stevens , Treas.	2 copay reimbursements	45.00
	LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	440.00
	LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	436.94
	LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	2,326.50
	LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	116.46
	Ron Schmitt	1 copay reimbursement	35.00
	James Aittama , Pres	2 Co-Pay Reim.	45.00
		J. Aittama / Blue Cross Pymt for 9/05	-975.32
	ARVC Michigan Campground Dir.	2006 ARVC Membership	462.00
	Cellular One	Car Phone	37.15
	The Office Shop	Copy Paper	74.75
	Designotype Printers	Payroll Checks	136.64
	Lake Linden Village	Minimum Sewer	33.92
	W.S. Darley & Co.	Foam	171.86
	UPPCO	Power	1,583.55
	Daily Mining Gazette	Firemen Ad	63.84
	Daily Mining Gazette	Crossing Guard Ad	60.48
	Daily Mining Gazette	Rec Ad	365.00

State Of Michigan	License Renewal	100.00
Anderson		
Communications	Radio Repairs	580.25
Gitzen Company	Supplies	126.82
James Aittama , Pres	4 Co-Pay Reim.	40.00
Rent-A-Flash	2 Signs	85.10
Peninsula Products	Concrete	132.50
41 Lumber	Post & Treated Lumber	160.10
Quality Hardware	Misc.	260.29
Quality Hardware	Misc.	109.87
Total GEN FUND		<u>11,728.95</u>
LOCAL STREET FUND		
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	1,033.74
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	923.78
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	19.06
Total LOCAL STREET FUND		<u>1,976.58</u>
MAJOR STREET FUND		
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	950.66
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	76.00
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	215.07
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	200.01
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	9.53
UPPCO	M-26 Flashers	70.13
Quality Hardware	Misc.	56.89
Total MAJOR STREET FUND		<u>1,578.29</u>
EQUIPMENT FUND		
	Cook equipment	
Fedex Freight	purchase	124.24
Auto Value of Houghton	Misc. / Garbage Packer	106.12
Superior Auto Parts, Inc.	Misc.	67.94
Zarnoth Brush Works	Sweeper Broom	107.50
Miller, Bradford &		
Risberg, Inc.	Ring for Loader	11.81
Superior Water &		
Welding	Oxygen	17.76
Thill Track & Tractor		
Service	Rim for Loader	450.00
Krans Oil Co.	Gas / Police	156.60
Krans Oil Co.	Gas & Diesel / DPW	850.30
Quality Hardware	Misc.	71.50
Total EQUIPMENT FUND		<u>1,963.77</u>
SANITATION FUND		
	Service Charge	23.75
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	557.95
Daily Mining Gazette	Ord Ad	56.45
Total SANITATION FUND		<u>638.15</u>
WATER FUND		
SBC	Phone / Pump House	28.70
SBC	Phone/ Reservoir	26.15
UPPCO	Power / Pump House	725.58
LLV Equipment Checking	Aug05 Equip rentals	675.23
	Service Charge	372.33
Lake Linden Postmaster	09/05 Water Billing	117.61
Louie's Super Valu	Clorox	118.20
UPPCO	Power / reservoir	73.88
SemcoEnergy	Heat / Well House	16.87
	Blacktop / water break in	
Payne & Dolan	pasrk	167.31
MARC	Blue Marking Paint	62.00
MARC	Hand Cleaner	236.00
Total WATER FUND		<u>2,619.86</u>
		<u><u>20,505.60</u></u>

Correspondence:

Clerk Poirier introduced a letter from the State Historic Preservation Office with regard to the Streetscape Project. It stated that they found there would be no adverse effect on the historic structures in the downtown area when the project was completed and required a Village official to sign an agreement concurring with that finding. After a brief discussion the Clerk was directed by the Council to go ahead and sign the agreement.

The clerk said that the schedule had been decided for Grand Rapids developer Guy Bazzani's visit. He was to meet with the Village officials for lunch on Thursday, September 22nd, at noon for lunch at the Loading Zone. He said that the Trustees should try to make it if at all possible.

Clerk Poirier introduced a letter from the Houghton County DPW Board to USDA rep. Duane Reid regarding a face-to-face meeting for discussion of funding for the Sewage Authority improvement projects. No further action was required.

The clerk introduced an announcement for the Western U. P. Planning Region Annual Meeting and invited trustees to attend on September 19th.

The clerk read the guidelines for purchasing and using secondary meters from the sewage authority. He said that all sales, readings and refunds would be done at the Authority and nothing would run through the Village.

Committee Reports:**Finance(Chair:Trustee Hamlin):**

Trustee Hamlin said the final budget report was due any time from the auditor. The finance committee would then meet to determine any action necessary and make recommendations to the council at the September meeting.

A 6-month update on the budget was submitted by the clerk. He said that trustees should review and comment for the next meeting.

The transfer of up to 25% of major street money to local streets was discussed but no action was taken at this time.

Domestic Water(Chair: Trustee Fisher):

No report.

Buildings & Parks(Chair: Trustee Fisher):

Trustee Fisher said he was still pursuing support for the Linden Dunes project and had had more copies of the prospectus copied to be sent out.

He also said that over the winter there were several issues regarding the campground that should be addressed including improvements, rates and hosts. No other action was required at this time.

Sanitation(Chair: Trustee Hamlin):

No report.

Equipment(Chair: Trustee Frohmader):

No report.

Streets(Chair: Trustee Heide):

No report.

Executive(Chair: Trustee Fisher):

Trustee Fisher gave an update on the annual insurance premium and the meeting with Don Hannula from the Hannula Agency. A few minor changes from last year's coverage, which included increasing coverage on the village hall up to 80% of value, increased the total premium from \$25,647 in 2004 to \$27,173 this year.

Trustee Fisher also updated the Council on the Village Hall renovation. Work was expected to be completed very shortly and the result so far was very striking on the front of the building.

Trustee Fisher then updated the council on discussions regarding the lighting and the streetscape project. He said they were ongoing and future decisions would be brought before the council at the appropriate time.

Public Safety(Chair: Trustee Hoffman):

Trustee Hoffman introduced the police report. A motion was made by Trustee Hamlin and supported by Trustee Friendewey to accept the report as submitted. All were in favor. Motion was carried.

Clerk Poirier said that the deluge gun and other equipment for the new fire truck had been installed and the new truck was now completely outfitted.

Downtown Development Authority:

Clerk Poirier read a letter of resignation from DDA Board member Brenda Englund. Trustee Fisher, the DDA Chairman, said a new member search would begin at the upcoming DDA meeting.

Torch Lake Area Sewage Authority

No report.

Houghton County Historical Museum:

No report.

Torch Lake Area Fire Protection Authority:

No report

Late Agenda Items: None.

New Business:

None.

Old Business:

None.

Announcements:

None.

Adjournment:

Trustee Friendewey supported by Trustee Hamlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 pm. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

There were 5 members of the public in attendance.

James M. Aittama, President

Robert A. Poirier, Village Clerk