

The Regular Meeting of the Moweaqua Village Council was called to order by Mayor Lowe leading in the Pledge to the Flag. Roll Call was answered by Jon King, Howard Wise, Mark Thomas, Steve Ruot, Jim Mahone and Mike Reschke. Employees present were Chief McLearin, Paul Bollhorst, Lola Allen, Officer Maynard, Louis Jordan, Boomer Neece and Attorney for the Village, Mike Antoline was also present. Others attending included Janie Wise, Larry Minott, Brent Jostes, Steve and Patty Jordan, Steve Hooper, Jerry and Sue Paradee, Dave Benson, Sandra Dial and Joanne Markwell.

Mahone made the motion to approve the minutes of the June Regular Meeting, Reschke seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None.

Mahone made the motion to approve the Treasurers Report, Thomas seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None.

Thomas made the motion to approve the Bills to be Paid in July with additions, Ruot seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None.

Attorney Antoline reported that IMLRMA provides bonding for municipal employees. The Mayor, Clerk and Treasurer can each be bonded for the statutorily required \$50,000.00 with no increase in our annual premium. All other positions that the Village requires bonding for will be charged according to the amount of bond. After discussion Council determined that the following bonds should be obtained from IMLRMA. The Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, Deputy Clerk, Water & Sewer Superintendent and Street & Alley Superintendent will each be bonded for \$50,000.00. Police Officers will each be bonded for \$5,000.00. Council requested that Attorney Antoline update our personnel bonding ordinance for approval at the next regular meeting.

Attorney Antoline presented Trash Haulers Ordinance #07/08/2008-2. After discussion pertaining to the issuance of an exclusive annual license, King made the motion to approve Ordinance 07/08/2008-2, Mahone seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None. Mayor Lowe appointed Mahone and Ruot to review the requirements for the trash hauler and make corrections as needed. Antoline will bring a more specific and corrected Ordinance to the next Regular Meeting for approval.

Attorney Antoline presented the annual Prevailing Wage Ordinance #07/08/2008-1. Mahone made the motion to approve Ordinance #07/08/2008-1, King seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None.

Attorney Antoline reported that in preparation for filing a demolition action against a property owner he has researched the demolition statutes. Antoline stated that the Village has two choices in this situation. When filing the complaint in court the Village can request a "Prayer for Relief" which could grant the Village permission to go onto the property to demolish, repair, enclose or remove debris. If the "Prayer for Relief" is approved by a court order then the Village could destroy the structure. Then to recoup some of the cost for having it destroyed the Village would need to file a demolition lien against the property and then start a foreclosure law suit. The other option would be to obtain a court order for the owner to demolish. If they refuse to demolish they can be held in contempt of court which is a certain motivator.

Larry Minott of DMJ Construction reports filling all the requirements for their subdivision and wanted to know when the Village would be taking over maintenance of the street. Attorney Antoline will see if any formal action needs to be taken for the Village to assume maintenance of the street. Minott also inquired about the status of the TIF project. Howard Wise reported being in contact with the TIF consultant and progress is being made however, he did not know a completion date.

Thomas presented the updated employee job descriptions for approval. After discussion, Reschke made the motion to accept all job descriptions as presented except for the Water Clerk, Wise seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None. Council determined that the Water Clerk description should also include a Deputy Clerk description.

Street and Alley Superintendent Boomer Neece reported that a boulevard tree at 129 S. Putnam is split and needs to be removed. Two bids were obtained. Southard Tree Service bid \$1,500.00 and Calvin's Tree Service bid \$400.00. After discussion Ruot made the motion to accept Calvin's Tree Service bid, Mahone seconded. Council voting Yes: King, Wise, Thomas, Ruot, Mahone and Reschke. No: None.

Mayor Lowe requested a motion to adjourn if there was no further business to come before Council. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

