

**Village of Ravenna
Regular Meeting
September 1st 2015**

The regular meeting of the Ravenna Village Council was called to order by President Dennis Wildfong at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Members present: Dennis Wildfong, Kathy Bensinger, Steve Dohm, Harold Drake, and Bill Leszinske

Also: DPW Supervisor Steve Patterson, Clerk Hazen, Mike Pierson of the Ravenna Independent, Attorney Jason Kolkema, Nathan Neal and Amanda Cardinal of Five Star Realities. **Leszinske** moved **Drake** seconded to approve the August 4th Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Dohm moved **Leszinske** seconded to approve the September 1st Meeting Agenda with amendment of adding 9. B. Hazard Mitigation C. Quality of Life D. MERS. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Attorney Jason Kolkema was present to introduce himself. He would like to focus towards municipality law and would like the village to consider his services.

Nathan and Amanda were present to discuss having a Fam Fall Fest & Pumpkin Dash October 25th from 2-6. This would include closing down Stafford from Crockery Creek Dr. to Main Street temporarily for a Pumpkin Dash, plus games, prizes and food at Thatcher Park. The event would be free except for the food at this time, compliments of Five Star Reality. **Dohm** moved **Drake** seconded to grant tentative approval of the Fam Fall Fest & Pumpkin Dash with follow up at the October 1st Meeting with more event detail. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Denny Wildfong received information on a cell tower in Moorland as a FYI. Denny also received an email concerning Fracking.

Committees and Employee Reports: DPW Supervisor S. Patterson reported that the pump at the lift station is finished and in!! Now the 2nd pump is in need of repairs.

Leszinske moved **Dohm** seconded to allow S. Patterson to have the 2nd pump repaired not to exceed \$10,000. Motion Carried

Dixon Engineering will be here Wednesday the 16th of September to inspect and clean the water tower. The DPW will be starting the Valve turning program soon also the DPW is making repairs to the big slide at Thatcher Park.

Utility Committee met with a resident on an excessive water overage. The council gave support to the committee on its resolution on the issue.

Old Business: Noxious weeds tabled until March 2016. **Wildfong** moved **Bensinger** seconded to table indefinitely the Hazard Mitigation Plan until the council is furnished with a copy of the finished proposal free of charge.

Quality of Life Millage: **Dohm** moved **Leszinske** seconded to join the county on the Quality of Life Plan. Motion carried

Leszinske moved **Bensinger** seconded to submit 1. A Circulation pump for the water tower. 2. Repave Conklin and Thatcher Park trail. 3. Thatcher Park expansion as the list of 3 recreational or cultural improvements as requested. Motion carried.

Dohm moved **Leszinske** seconded to Authorize MERS to proceed with the Defined Contribution projection study for \$1000 for new and existing employees. Motion carried

Leszinske moved **Drake** seconded to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Dee Hazen, Village Clerk