

**Village of Farwell
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2014, 6:00 p.m.**

Regular meeting of the Village of Farwell Council was called to order in the Village of Farwell Hall with President Steven Grim presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Joe Manley, Gina Hamilton, Vicky Gunden, Justin Colosky, Elton Marshall and President Grim.

Absent: James Conlay

- I. Motion by C/Marshall, supported by C/Hamilton, to approve the Agenda.
6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.**

- II. A. Motion by C/Colosky, supported by C/Manley, to approve the Minutes of the April 7, 2014 Regular Council Meeting. 6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.
B. Motion by C/Manley, supported by C/Hamilton, to approve the Minutes of the April 22, 2014 Committee of the Whole Meeting. 6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.**

- III. Public Comment – Reserved Time (for items listed on the Agenda): None**

- IV. Motion by C/Hamilton, supported by C/Colosky, to approve the items of the Consent Agenda:
*Motion by C/Hamilton, approved by C/Conlay, to approve the Village of Farwell – Rules of Procedure.
*Motion by C/Conlay, supported by C/Marshall, to adopt Resolution to Approve a Recommendation for the Village of Farwell to Exempt Itself from the Provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011.
*Motion by C/Conlay, supported by C/Marshall, to approve the recommendation from President Steve Grim to appoint Joe Manley to the Parks and Recreation Committee.
Roll Call: 6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.**

- V. DPW Report:
A. The DPW will be purchasing twelve trees to replace those removed for previous projects, as approved at the last meeting.
B. Motion by C/Hamilton, supported by C/Colosky, to approve the increase cost of \$1792.00 for the Medler Electric proposal to replace 32 main street lights with 35 watt LED retrofit bulbs, with the increase due to a reduction in rebate from Consumers energy and an increase in the estimated simple payback from 1.16 years to 1.65 years.
Roll Call: 6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.**

C. Motion by C/Hamilton, supported by C/Marshall, to approve the Power Generation Planned Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Cummins Bridgeway LLC for Lift Stations #1, #2, and #3 for the amount of \$2,732.74, with the amount budgeted for Sewer Maintenance.

Roll Call: 6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.

D. Russ looked into different options for mosquito control for the Village after contacting other entities; natural backyard mosquito control options were presented along with phone numbers for individuals to obtain service.

VI. Lynn Grim, Clare County Commissioner, provided Council with updates from the County, including pamphlets for Veteran Freedom Park Memorial Bricks, Food Bank of Eastern Michigan Backpack Program, Mid-Michigan Honor Flights and notices for the Gateway Affair Fundraiser on May 17 for Friends of Clare County Parks and Recreation.

VII. Public Comment: None.

IIIX. Old Business: None.

IX. New Business:

A. The Leadership Institute Graduation Ceremony will be Friday, May 9, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. for Tracy Lee.

B. Council discussed Hogger's sandblasted sign estimate for \$1250 and design idea similar to Enterprise Park sign with Farwell Village Hall inscribed. Bring back to Council at Committee of the Whole Meeting.

C. Estimates for efficient Cooling/Heating options for Village Office, Police Post and Council Room are being requested; a special meeting to review estimates is scheduled for May 20, 2014 at the regular Committee of the Whole meeting.

D. Vicky will be contacting Main Street businesses regarding interest in maintaining sidewalk flower planters like last year.

X. Motion by C/Marshall, supported by C/Manley, to approve the payment of the bills for April 2014 in the amount of \$26,913.66.

Roll Call: 6 Yeas: 0 Nays: 1 Absent: Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Minutes taken by Janet Conlay, Village Clerk/Treasurer