

**Complete Streets Resolution for Newberry, Michigan**

*Passed by unanimous vote of the Village of Newberry Council on May 23, 2011*

**WHEREAS**, increasing walking and bicycling offers the potential for greater health of the population, and more livable communities; and

**WHEREAS**, A Complete Street is safe, comfortable, and convenient for travel by automobile, foot, bicycle, and transit regardless of age or ability, and

**WHEREAS**, The Michigan Legislature has passed Complete Streets legislation that requires the Michigan Department of Transportation and local governments to consider all users in transportation related projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act has been amended, requiring that all transportation improvements identified in a plan are appropriate to the context of the community and considers all legal users of the public right of way; and

**WHEREAS**, Complete Streets support economic growth and community stability by providing accessible and efficient connections between home, school, work, recreation and retail destinations by improving the pedestrian and vehicular environments throughout communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Complete Streets enhance safe walking and bicycling options for school-age children, in recognition of the objectives of the national Safe Routes to School program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Newberry recognizes the importance of street infrastructure and modifications such as sidewalks, crosswalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, signage, narrow vehicle lanes and accessible curb ramps, that enables safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Newberry, to the extent feasible, will include Complete Streets design considerations and practices as a routine part of infrastructure planning and implementation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Village of Newberry supports the future development of a non-motorized transportation plan and a Complete Streets ordinance that supports ease of use and safety for all users of transportation systems within the Village of Newberry.

NEWBERRY VILLAGE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 23, 2011

**PRESENT:** Trustees Anderson, Fall, Green, Withrow, President Webb, Clerk Galor

**ABSENT:** Cornell

**ALSO PRESENT:** Cyndi McBride, Bill Glime, Phil Nelson, Vickie Fall, Ken Talsma, Sharon Brown, Donna Norkoli, Jim Diem

President Webb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Water & Light Office followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. It was noted that the date of the regular meeting of May 16 had been changed to May 23.

**PRESIDENT'S MINUTE:** President Webb presented a change in his Committee appointments adding the recently appointed trustees.

Motion by Withrow, seconded by Anderson, CARRIED, to approve the 2010-2011 Committee appointments as presented effective May 23, 2011. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Anderson, seconded by Withrow, CARRIED, to approve the April 18, 2011 Public Hearing minutes as presented concerning Amendments to Village Manager Ordinance. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

Motion by Fall, seconded by Anderson, CARRIED, to approve the April 18, 2011 regular meeting minutes as corrected. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

Page 2, paragraph 10 reads: The chlorine scale has been installed at well #6 and is working well. Page 2, paragraph 10 corrected: The chlorine scale has been installed at the Waste Water Treatment Plant and is working well.

Page 3, paragraph 11, the vote reads Ayes: All. The vote should read: Ayes: Anderson, Cornell, Green, Withrow, Webb. Nay: Fall.

**BILLS:** Motion by Withrow, seconded by Anderson, CARRIED, to approve the April bills as presented. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

**GUESTS:** No comments.

**UP-DATE STREET CUTS/PATCHES:** Supt. Glime reported that a paving company is going to be in the area this summer, which he will contact about paving street cuts in the village.

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**AUDIT REPORT:** Ken Talsma reviewed the 2010 Audit Report from Anderson, Tackman & Company and answered questions from the Council. We had a good audit.

**FIRE CHIEF NELSON** reported that the department has been busy with training exercises and classes. The department has been approved for a grant from USDA for a brush/equipment truck. Council gave the Fire Department permission to spray the crowd during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.

**VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT:** Manager Holmes was absent. Trustee Anderson reported on a Conference she attended with Manager Holmes pertaining to Complete Streets, walking and bicycling paths for improved health and more livable communities. MDOT has a grant available at 100% with communities paying engineering expense. Sharon Brown and Donna Norkoli presented a resolution as a first step in committing our village to improving pedestrian and vehicular environments.

★ Motion by Green, seconded by Anderson, CARRIED, to adopt the Village of Newberry Resolution for Complete Streets as presented. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

**TREASURER MCBRIDE'S REPORT** for April was reviewed and placed on file. She presented language for renewal of Fire Department millage of 2 mills to be placed on the Village September election ballot.

Motion by Fall, seconded by Green, CARRIED, to accept the ballot language for the Fire Department millage of 2 mills for five years beginning 2012 through 2016 as presented. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

**2011 MILLAGE RESOLUTION:** Treasurer McBride reported that no Truth in Taxation hearing is required this year as both rate reduction formulas are identical and are equal to last years levied millage.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Fall, CARRIED, that the Village Council authorizes the Village Treasurer to spread the 2011 Tax Roll based on the Assessed Taxable Value of \$17,237,293.00 as designated by the McMillan Township Assessor. Such tax to be levied with 11.2532 mills for general operation purposes and 4.5011 mills for streets and alleys and 1.3962 mills for refuse disposal/collection and 1.9387 mills for residential fire protection for a total millage of 19.0892. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Withrow, CARRIED, that the Village Council authorizes the addition of a 1% administrative fee (minimum \$1.00), plus a 3% penalty (minimum \$2.00) if paid after September 14, 2011. In addition, a 1% per month interest charge will be added starting September 15, 2011 and will continue until tax is paid.

The Village Council authorizes collection of taxes for 2011 beginning July 1, 2011 and continuing through February 29, 2012. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

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**SUPERINTENDENT GLIME'S REPORT** for April included: Clean-up Week went very well. Sewer lines are being flushed. We generated 8 times, 7 for peak and 1 for demand. Matt and Jake attended water school. Jake took his exams for water license. Have taken some trees down. He is seeking quotes for an auger for grit washer. Met with Manager Holmes concerning activated sludge pump quotes and she gave him permission to go ahead and order a pump.

**CHIPPER BIDS, GRINDER BIDS**: Council discussed used chippers versus new and possibility of sharing cost with the Water & Light. Supt. Glime was authorized to advertise for bid for a new chipper.

Two bids were received for a grinder at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Due to the emergency repair, Manager Holmes authorized Supt. Glime to accept the low bid of \$11,062.00.

**WARNING SIREN**: Supt. Glime reported he has given Manager Holmes information for an electronic siren.

**GRINDER BID**: Motion by Anderson, seconded by Green, CARRIED, that the grinder purchase in amount of \$11,062.00 be approved by the Council, a replacement of equipment that is necessary to our Wastewater Plant operation. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

**WATER PROJECT/PHASE 4**: Dixon has completed inspection of the water tower and is recommending the tank be sandblasted and painted inside and out. Supt. Glime thanked the crew for their work with the water system during the time of the tower inspection.

**BLIGHT UP-DATE**: Supt. Glime reported that some blight notices have been issued. Council discussed complaints received about smoke from outdoor fireplaces.

**SHARON BROWN/FEDERAL BYWAYS GRANT**: Sharon Brown requested that the Village of Newberry provide the investment needed to fund a Federal Byways Grant match of 20/80% split (\$20,000) for the Tahquamenon Outdoor Recreation Complex, Visitor's Center/Recreation Support Building. Discussion was held as to the availability of funds.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Withrow, CARRIED, that we certify to Sharon Brown with a letter that the \$20,000 match be made available, letter deadline of June 3. Roll call vote: Anderson-Aye: Wished there was more time to put this before the tax payers but feels the benefit for children out ways the amount we are expending. Fall-Nay: Feels the taxpayers should have a say at a public meeting with this expenditure of their money. Green-Abstain: Isn't sure of Village finances. Withrow-Aye: Good for the future of Newberry and believes when voters elected the people that sit on this council and those that were appointed by the Council that they did so because they felt we were the best people for the job and we would be the best keepers of their money and it would be the

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best use of their money. Webb-Aye; Good for the long term plan and vision of the Brownfield site and our area. Absent: Cornell.

**WWTP LITIGATION:** No closed session and no discussion.

**UNION NEGOTIATIONS:** No closed session. June 13 is tentative date scheduled for mediation.

**GLAWE LITIGATION:** No closed session and no discussion.

**GUESTS:** Jim Diem stated we should expend the \$20,000 for the request from Sharon Brown.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Motion by Anderson, seconded by Withrow, CARRIED, to go to closed session at 8:17 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Property Negotiations. Roll call vote: Anderson-Aye; Fall-Aye; Green-Aye; Withrow-Aye; Webb-Aye. Absent: Cornell.

**REGULAR SESSION:** Motion by Green, seconded by Anderson, CARRIED, to return to regular session at 8:19 p.m. Roll call vote: Anderson-Aye; Fall-Aye; Green-Aye; Withrow-Aye; Webb-Aye. Absent: Cornell.

**ORDINANCE 24:12-FIRST READ:** Needs amending to add Sheriff Department.

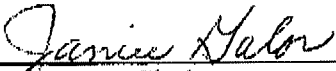
**ORDINANCE 29:11-FIRST READ:** Put on hold until further review.

**LED STREET LIGHTING:** A grant is available (10% match) to retrofit our current street lights. Motion by Withrow, seconded by Green, CARRIED, to apply for the LED lights grant. Ayes: All. Absent: Cornell.

**AUDIT RECOMMENDATION FOR POLICY:** Action was put on hold.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

These minutes are unofficial until voted on at the next meeting.

  
Janice Galor, Clerk