

**VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 7th 2015**

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday December 7, 2015 at 7p.m. at the Village Hall. Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present included President Jordan, Clerk Somers, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Hussain and Council Members: Gauthier, Healy, P. Somers, R. Somers and Stutzman. Absent was Treasurer Mary Kossa. Also present were several guests. President Jordan introduced Village resident Amanda Zielinski and stated that she wants to join the Council. She was asked to sit with Council Members at the table and will be sworn in at the January meeting by Attorney Cook. Welcome aboard Amanda.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier/Stutzman. The minutes of the special hearing for the DDA extension were approved on a motion from Healy/Gauthier.

Treasurer's report was approved subject to audit on a motion from Gauthier/Healy.

Mike Serafin, fire chief gave his report. There were 9 medical runs and 2 fire runs, both were mutual aid runs with surrounding townships. Two new fire fighters will be joining the department. A motion was made by Gauthier with support from Healy to add Alex Schram as a new fire fighter; the other prospective member will come to the next meeting. Following a brief discussion and a request from Mike a motion was made by Healy/Gauthier to appoint Billy Cordes as the new Assistant Fire Chief. Motion carried. President Jordan thanked the departments for all their work throughout the year and added a special thanks to Ryan Mendyka of the fire department for his help with a child who received burns to her hands from hot chocolate during the Festival of Lights Celebration on Friday evening.

President Jordan gave the street report. He stated that there hasn't been much activity this past month, however maintenance equipment is running very well. An extension to a culvert was made near the Senior Center. The sewer flow meter has been fixed and things are now running well.

Dates were set for the calendar year. They are as follows: January 4, February 1, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July 6(Wednesday), August 1, September 7(Wednesday), October 3, November 7, and December 5. All regular meetings begin at 7p.m. at the Village Hall. A budget workshop is scheduled for Wednesday January 13th at 6 p.m.

In public comment time Brenda Slater stated that Steve is doing a fabulous job, we agree. Jason Ogden from the Alpena News introduced himself as the new reporter for Alcona County. David Dionn from Lost Lake Woods Club introduced himself as the spokesperson for the Alcona County Republicans. They meet monthly and he invited everyone to attend their meetings or look at their website.

In old business Healy stated that the Festival of Lights Celebration went very well on Friday evening. She thanked the Alcona Athletes and coach Jason Somers. He thanked several people including Mike Serafin and Ryan Mendyka for cooking and serving hot dogs, Naomi Potter for

baking cookies for the cookie walk and Bob Schrade for manning the hay rides. In the home decoration contest, 1st place went to Ralph and Kay Diamond, 2nd place went to Joe and June Lincoln, 3rd place to Larry and Linda Somers and 4th place to Jerry and Diana Burt. The business decorating contest was won by Sue Harvey of the Cozy Cabin beauty shop. President Jordan thanked everyone who helped in any way. Several people commented how much they appreciated the effort that went into making the evening perfect.

President Jordan gave his report. He said he feels we have been richly blessed with all the volunteers that put so many events together. He thanked various individuals including; Ted Shaneour for planting flowers and hanging decorations, Steve Slater for his many tasks, Dave James for all his help repairing things, Bill and Kathy Putsky, Mary Gillies, Ted and Debbie Shaneour, Joan Toombs for doing decorations on the trees. Steve is currently working on the 2nd set of bleachers, they should be done by the end of this week. The intention is to paint the dugouts in the spring. There is the possibility of repairing the water system at the playground much cheaper than originally thought. There are some electrical boxes that are not working properly. President Jordan stated the he would like to also add some new ones as well. Motion was made by Gauthier/Stutzman to spend up to \$500 to do the necessary repairs. Several repairs have been made to various pieces of equipment this past month. President Jordan stated that he would like to set aside a day where everyone could get together and go through some of the paperwork in the hall. President Jordan said it has been a pleasure to work with everyone the past 9 years. We've changed the looks of the community and continue to forge ahead. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Motion was made by Gauthier/Stutzman to pay the bills as presented. Carried. Motion to adjourn by Gauthier/Stutzman. Carried.

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