

VILLAGE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
February 1, 2016

The Lincoln Village Council met on Monday, February 1, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall. Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were: President Jordan, Treasurer Hussain, Clerk Somers and Council Members Gauthier, Healy, Stutzman and Zielinski. Absent were P. Somers and R. Somers. President Jordan stated that the March 7th meeting will begin at 6 p.m. We will be honoring Mary Kossa, former Treasurer and Village Residents are invited to stop at the hall for cake and coffee. He also noted that he will not seek re-election in November and thanked everyone for their support and help over the past several years.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved on a motion from Gauthier with support from Stutzman. Treasurer's reports for November and December were approved subject to audit on a motion from Gauthier with support from Healy. Holly gave a brief overview of what she has been able to accomplish in the past month. Money has been moved from the General Fund into the Village Raised Account and in the future it will be done as taxes come in. Thanks to Holly for her help in getting things accomplished.

Mike Serafin, fire chief gave his reports. There were 9 medical runs and one fire run in the past month. The house fire was in Gustin Township. Dylan Sands was presented for consideration to the fire department. He is currently a firefighter for Mikado Township and said he would like to join the Lincoln Department since he works in Lincoln and could be able to be here in a short time. Motion was made by Healy with support from Gauthier to allow Dylan Sands to join the department. Carried. A training situation was well attended in Mikado this past month. The live burn offered the opportunity for many of those in attendance to gain valuable experience that will be beneficial. Some new tools have been purchased and lights have been fixed on the trucks. A carbon monoxide leak was found at the fire hall and has been fixed.

President Jordan gave the Street report. There haven't been any major changes to report. The biggest challenge has been snow removal. No Sewer report was available as nothing has been received yet as it is the beginning of the month.

Amanda stated that she will be meeting with Karen Godi next month to work on items for the website. John asked about the pot holes by the post office. They will be fixed as soon as it's warm enough. Bonny asked that we be sure to purchase smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors for all our buildings. Sara asked about making sure business owners are reminded to keep their steps/doorways cleaned and

salted. The Village is responsible for the actual sidewalk cleaning but it is the business owners' responsibility to take care of the doorway and or steps.

President Jordan gave his report. He stated that he was very pleased with the budget workshop we had recently. He feels there were many good decisions made. He gave the Sheriff's Department report for December 2015. There were a total of 12 events in the Village. The emergency siren is being tested on Saturdays at noon. Eileen Oposnow has been doing a good job for us on the website and President Jordan stated that he would like to give her a raise in pay. Motion was made by Gauthier with support from Stutzman to give Eileen \$9.00 per hour. Bill Putsky has done an amazing job on the Parks and Recreation Plan. Everything is uploaded and approved. The Act 51 package has been received and Phil has been going over it prior to submitting it. More road salt has been ordered and the prices are very reasonable right now. A battery pack and grease gun has been purchased for work on the Village equipment. The bank vault cleaning has begun. Several boxes have been purged. Another meeting will be held on Tuesday February 23rd at 6 p.m. for all those on the Council who are able to attend. A letter was received from District Health Department Number 2 regarding water testing at Brownlee Lake beach over the summer. Everything was very good. An ad will be put in the seeking bids for replacement of the roof on the Village Hall. Bids will be opened at the March 7th meeting. Motion was made by Gauthier with support from Stutzman to purchase 6 new picnic tables from Lincoln Hardware in the amount of \$737.82. They will be ordered and Steve will put them together in the spring. Phil will be meeting with the representative for Worker's Compensation Insurance very soon. An ad will also be put in the paper seeking persons to serve on the Planning Commission/zoning board. He gave a reminder that next month's meeting will be at 6 to honor Mary Kossa followed by the Budget hearing at 7 and then the regular meeting will follow.

Motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Healy with support from Gauthier. Motion to adjourn was made by Gauthier with support from Healy. Carried.

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