

Metamora Council met Monday, August 17, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. Council present: Tina Sullivan, Barb Georgia, Karon Lane, Cheryl Geer, Eric Gonzalez and Ken Wysong. Other officials Mayor Loar, VFO Karin Sauerlender and Deputy Clerk Sue Clendenin. Guests: Rich Mosiniak and Matt Keller members of the Evergreen Youth Assoc.

Mayor Loar opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Matt Keller from Evergreen Youth Assoc recognized. Mr. Keller was invited to the meeting to discuss location of the new T'Ball field he and other members of the EYA installed. Council concerned with location of field and it's proximity to the existing field. It had been decided not to allow games on both fields at the same time in the event an older player hit a ball over the fence and onto the T'ball field, possibly injuring a player. In a scheduling error two games did occur at the same time and a ball was hit over the fence, fortunately no one was hurt. Mr. Keller said the team was from out of town and not an EYA team. Nor was the game scheduled through the EYA. Instead of moving the field, netting could be put up between outfield poles. Mr. Keller willing to purchase and hang net if field can be left in the current location. Also willing to move field to another council approved location. The contractor building the new park building used 3 or 4 loads of dirt Keller stockpiled for later field use, he will need this dirt replaced if council wants him to move field. Geer asked if moving the field back to the northwest corner would require installing drainage tile or possibly a French drain? Council had been told the northwest area was low and why the field was installed elsewhere. Yes the area is low; Keller would have to bring in screenings to elevate the field. He wants to be sure the northwest location is a permanent choice; so the field doesn't have to be moved again. Keller said the northwest corner could pose the same home run ball issue as the current location and netting might still be needed. Wysong said if village asks the EYA relocate the field to the NW corner and the village is successful in purchasing additional abutting property the field would end up in the middle. Would this location create a problem? If the village is able to buy additional parkland, Gonzalez doesn't see the northwest field location being a problem. The additional land would be developed as the villages sees fit. Meanwhile, he would like to see the field moved back to the original agreed upon location, the northwest corner. Wysong doesn't see any advantage in moving the field; we may still need netting in the northwest corner. Council put the decision on hold, will further discuss at September 14<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

Park-O-Rama Volleyball committee requested council consider relocating the volleyball court to a safer area. Several volleyball players were hit by foul balls, coming out of the south ball field. Refer to Lands & Buildings.

Ken Wysong disappointed with quantity of games scheduled at Metamora's park. Keller said 55 games were scheduled at both Metamora and Lyons, 33 at Berkey, 23 at Assumption, and 16 at Marygrove. In scheduling games, you try to give teams the opportunity to have home games. Rich Mosiniak suggested installing 80 foot base pegs the south field, which would allow older kids games on the field. Ken Wysong motioned to allow Rich Mosiniak to install pegs for 80' bases on the south field, at no cost to village. Eric Gonzalez seconded the motion. All council voted in favor.

**Minutes** – Tina Sullivan motioned to accept August 3<sup>rd</sup>, minutes a written. Second by Barb Georgia and approved by all council.

**Bills** - The following bills were presented for payment:

**Current bills to be paid:**

Sue Clendenin	August salary	\$1,266.97
Karin Sauerlender	August salary	1,437.99
Robert Sabo	Wages paid 08-18-09	285.83
Brent Simon	Wages paid 08-18-09	365.00
Claud Woodring	Wages paid 08-18-09	371.22
Steve Kovar	Wages paid 08-18-09	1,212.22
Scott Hansen	Wages paid 08-18-09	1,247.75
Gary Loar	August salary	350.00
Fessenden Hardware	Misc. supplies	139.58
Fondessy Enterprises	Village dumpster-Sept.	58.00
Gary Smith	Prosecution of Carl Pope	93.10
Lublin Sussman	Audit services—July	1,230.00
Spartan Construction	Masonry repair to shelter C	1,500.00
Fulton County Commiss.	Park bldg—Pay request #2	27,593.60
Toledo Edison	Maple St. Garage	47.57
Embarq	Village office phone & fax	206.78

**Bills to be paid later:**

Koelsch Electric	Addl circuits & receptacles on new bldg	290.00
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Barb Georgia motioned to pay bills. Second by Ken Wysong and approved by all council.

**Old Business** – copy of severance package given to eligible water employees for their review. Employees asked to sign paper work stating they were provided a copy of the severance package. Yet to receive field fees from the men’s league, Wysong will call league president. Reviewed Marleau Hercules fence quote for park. Wysong suggested eliminating gate by new building, bringing down cost by \$400. Georgia said income tax collections are down \$9,000 from last year, it’s time to start tightening up the belt. Sullivan said if it’s between security cameras and replacing a fence she wants the security cameras in the park. Council put off decision until security camera quotes comes in.

**New Business** – August 19<sup>th</sup> last day for summer employee, Brent Simon. Council approved Scott Hansen finish painting Shelter “C.” Personnel & Finance recommend solicitor review legality of \$50 deduction in pay when elected officials miss more than two regular meetings a year. Do not recommend an increase in salary for Council, Bd. of Public Affairs and Mayor. Methodist Church asking to borrow speaker system on August 30<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Loar said the new speaker system needs adjustments, didn’t work well announcing parade. If council allows he would set up and take down the system for the church, giving him an opportunity to work on the system. K. Lane moved to allow the Methodist Church to use the speaker system if the mayor sets up and takes down,

allowing time to make necessary adjustments to system. Second by Ken Wysong and approved by all council.

**Fiscal Officer's report** – Amend appropriations and estimated revenues

Approve Transfers:

<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A1-7-X-271-1 Transfer to Cap Impr.	A1-7-X-250 Capital Outlay	\$ 905.00

Increase Revenues

D1—I-193	Transfers In	\$ 905.00
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Increase Appropriations

D1-7-B-230	Park Building	\$ 905.00
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Tina Sullivan motioned to approve transfers. Second by Barb Georgia and approved by all council.

Tina Sullivan moved to allow and pay for the clerks to attend continuing education seminar in October, sponsored by the State Auditor. Second by K. Lane and approved by all council.

**Mayor's report** –

K. Lane said Deputy Marvin from the Fulton County Sheriff's Dept informed EYA charges were being pursued against several individuals charging them with breaking into and stealing contents from the village park concession.

Rural Water Association agreed to come out and train village employees in smoke testing of storm/sewer drains. Cost to village includes purchase of liquid smoke and film. C.

Geer motioned to have Rural Water Association come and train Rick and Steve in smoke testing. Second by B. Georgia and approved by all council.

Sheriff's log for July read. A total of 62.5 hours spent patrolling the village.

Due to Labor Day September 7<sup>th</sup>, the next meeting of council will be held September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Wysong moved to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. Second by Georgia and approved by all council.

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Mayor – Gary Loar

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Fiscal Officer – Karin Sauerlender

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Clendenin  
Deputy Clerk