

VILLAGE OF SARANAC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 8, 2013

The Saranac Village Council Regular Meeting was called to order by President Darby at 7:00 p.m. at the Saranac Municipal Building, 27 N. Bridge Street.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: President Darby, Smith, trustees – Hendrick, Klutman, Mackey, Simmons, Whorley,
DPW Bowen

Absent: Straubel

Guests: DPW Tim Simmons

Motion was made by Mackey, supported by Whorley, to approve the Regular Agenda. All yeas.

Public Comments – None.

Motion was made by Whorley, supported by Simmons, to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2013 Regular Meeting. All yeas.

Motion was made by Mackey, supported by Simmons, to approve the Treasurer's Report of March 31, 2013. All yeas.

Motion was made by Simmons, supported by Hendrick, to approve the Accounts Payable of April 8, 2013 in the amount of \$92,258.47.

Roll call vote: yeas – Hendrick, Klutman, Mackey, Simmons, Whorley, Darby; nays – none; absent – none.

The Zoning Administrator's report was reviewed.

The Planning Commission did not meet in April.

Motion made by Klutman, supported by Simmons, to re-appoint Bruce Chadwick as President of the Saranac Housing Commission and the Saranac Non Profit Housing Corporation, effective 5/1/13 with a five year term to expire 5/1/18. All yeas.

Committee Reports

Public Safety

Mackey did not receive a report from Deputy Charon.

Per Darby, it will be around September before the Fire Department has the new truck.

Budget – No Report.

Parks & Recreation

Mackey suggested that a meeting be held later tonight regarding the playground structures.

Mackey inquired about the Rails to Trails project and Bowen reported that the project, from Saranac to M-66 in Ionia, is scheduled to be bid out in June of this year.

Bowen reported that an Eagle Scout candidate will be constructing fitness stations in the nature park. There will be plaques at each station, explaining the proper use for the station. The village will furnish the materials at an approximate cost of \$500.

Simmons reported that the material in the fall zone at Scheid Park could be replaced for approximately \$2,000.00.

Karl with Superior Play recommends that the large slide at Scheid Park be removed due to age and safety issues. Council concurred. Per DPW Simmons, the slide will be easy to remove without a lot of cost. The general consensus is to scrap or recycle the slide.

Buildings & Grounds – No Report.

Streets

The committee did not meet, per Klutman.

Bowen and DPW Simmons have a meeting scheduled on Monday to go over the drafts for Parsonage and Dewitt Streets.

Council discussed Bridge Fest activities and would like to see a proposal regarding any possible changes, so they have time to get some feedback.

Spring cleanup will begin Monday, May 6th. The flyer will be hand delivered 2 weekends prior to that date. Ionia County is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program in Saranac at Scheid Park on May 11th, 8:00 a.m. until noon. A flyer for this event will be hand delivered with the village Spring cleanup notice.

Water & Sewer

The committee did not meet, per Klutman.

Bowen reported that he is potentially planning to retire the first part of next year and will begin allowing Tim Simmons to take the lead with the DPW, in preparation for this change.

Personnel – No Report.

Additional Business – None.

Public Comments – None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Roberta Jo Smith, Clerk