

Richland Village Council

8965 Gull Road

Special Meeting

October 19, 2015

Present: President Pro Tem Gail Koporetz, Trustees Virginia Gross, Kim Lewis, Kevin Foust, Bob Prentice, Dave Greve, Treasurer Terry Edds, Clerk Jacqueline W. Holewa

Absent: President Paul Gobble

The meeting was called to order in the Richland Community Hall by President Pro Tem Gail Koporetz at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance was led by President Pro Tem Gail Koporetz.

Public Comments:

Virginia Mejeur, resident of N. 32nd Street, stated that she had three issues that she wanted to comment about. 1.) This is her 7th appeal to the council regarding to tour the DPW building. She had been given reasons for denial in the past they consist of: no insurance to cover a slip & fall, the date requested was not convenient, and not in the best interest of the village. However, several people witnessed many people going in and out of the DPW building during the Homecoming parade. Mejeur called for the council to honor her request. 2.) Regarding the Public Notice in the Kalamazoo Gazette on October 11, 2015 about a public hearing on October 12, 2015. At the October 12 meeting the council didn't seem to know anything about it. Who put the information in the paper? She felt that she had the right to question John Smith, Planning Commission Chair, regarding the information in the paper, but she was not allowed by President Gobble. She said that this was a hearing and that the board was incompetent. Trustee Foust warned her that she was not allowed to attack the board per Robert's Rules. 3.) She received an email from Prentice about tree trimming. She said that it was hearsay and that if you want to make it official then change the Ordinance. Ms. Mejeur also stated that we have a clerk who was denied her wages but precedent was set on that in the past because former clerk Rosemary Woodward and Treasurer Terry Edds were paid for time off. President Pro Tem Koporetz stated that she had asked the Clerk to ascertain who had put the Public Notice into the paper. The clerk found that it was put in by Paul Foust, without the knowledge of any Council member.

1. **Motion** to remove Temporary Clerk Paul Foust and Deputy Clerk Michael Scott names from the Village bank accounts and replace with Clerk Jacqueline W. Holewa. Lewis/Foust – **CARRIED**
2. Five bids for road repairs were submitted by Trustee Greve.
3. **Motion** to accept the bid from J. Allen & Company for \$6,670.00. Gross/Lewis – Roll Call: Gross-yes; Lewis-yes; Foust-yes; Koporetz-yes; Prentice-yes; Greve-yes. **CARRIED**

Motion to adjourn Foust/Lewis **Carried**. Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Respectively submitted by

Jacqueline W. Holewa, Village of Richland Clerk