Village of Climax Regular Meeting March 5, 2002

Present: S. Blayden, S. Messner, Bill Rogers, S. Thompson, B. Twiss, D. Stevenson.

Absent: L. Phoenix

Also Present: Ingrid Purk, Mark Rainwater, Deb Wyant.

(Twiss/Rogers) Motion to approve the minutes of February 19, 2002 without exception. Unanimously approved.

Guests: Ingrid Purk, representing the children's softball/baseball program requested permission to hold the annual parade on Saturday, April 27th at 10:00 am. They would like to have a sheriff patrol car lead the parade – Mr. Phoenix or Mr. Stevenson will make the request. (Thompson/Messner) Motion to grant permission to the baseball program to hold the parade. A sheriff deputy will be requested. Unanimously approved.

Mark Rainwater commented on his driveway entrance. His car's bumper hits the pavement due to the steep entrance. Mr. Gibson will be notified to contact Mark Rainwater to look into the problem.

Communications: Resolution 2002-03 in support of an independent authority to govern a consolidated dispatch system in Kalamazoo County was reviewed. By adopting the resolution the Village Council recognizes the need for more efficient operation of the individual public safety departments by enabling vital information to be shared more rapidly. The Council is in favor of an independent authority as the governing body of a consolidated dispatch system for Kalamazoo County. (Rogers/Messner) Motion to adopt Resolution 2002-03. Unanimously approved.

A letter from the Human Services Department reported that the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners approved a contract with Benefit Control Methods to provide the National Prescription Health Plan to county residents 55+, effective immediately. Cost to seniors is \$15.00 per year. The prescription card should provide an average savings of 20-30% from participating pharmacies. Applications are available throughout the county or by calling 373-5071. For further information contact, Judy Sivak @ 373-5153.

The Council received thank you cards from the representatives of the United Soccer Foundation who visited last meeting. The Foundation was requesting donations in helping to build soccer complexes in the county. There was lack of support to donate to the Soccer Foundation.

Information from RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) of Senior Services, Inc. and the GIVE program was received. These are programs dedicated to supporting senior volunteers and nonprofit agencies. Total number of senor volunteers was 640 and total number of donated hours was 113,128 for the year 2001.

Public works:

- 1) Pump #1 was inspected is in need of service. Estimated cost is \$9,000.
- 2) Water Tank inspection is being scheduled
- 3) Interview for the job opening are taking place.
- 4) Park improvements will begin in spring.

- 5) There are a number of yard repairs due to snow plowing. The damage has been noted and will begin in early spring.
- 6) New broom shaft for the Kubota tractor is needed. Estimated cost is \$537.

(Twiss/Blayden) motion to purchase new broom shaft assembly for the Kubota tractor at an estimated cost of \$537. Roll call vote: Ayes - all present.

Administration: Reviewed the proposed 2002-03 Budget. (Blayden/Twiss) Motion to set the budget hearing for 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 19, 2002. Unanimously approved.

Parks: Children are encouraged to send in names for the Village Park. The contest is available for Village resident only.

Old Business: The Village Yard Sale and the annual Trash Pick up have been scheduled. The date of the Yard Sale is Saturday, June 22nd and the Trash Pickup is set for Monday, June 24th. Trash can be place along road starting Saturday evening on June 22nd. Look in the Crescent for acceptable and unacceptable items.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. (Rogers/Twiss) Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk