

# Village of Lake Isabella

## Village Council Minutes

Regular Meeting – January 20, 2009

1010 Clubhouse Drive  
Lake Isabella, MI, 48893

The Meeting was called to order at 7:23 PM by Village President David Torgerson and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Members Present:** Grey, Griffin, Lacca, & Torgerson

**Members Excused:** Pattison, Kiel, and Miller

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded, to approve the Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented which included the following items of business; approval of bills to be paid (checks 4,192 through 4,217 and 10,000 through 10,016), the Balance Sheet, the Investment Report, the Income/Expenditure Report, minutes of the December 16, 2008 Village Council meeting, and the minutes of the January 13, 2008 Planning Commission meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### Reports

- The Village Manager reported that as of December 31<sup>st</sup> the Village had already used over 50% of its winter maintenance budget. He also reported on the progress made by DTE on the natural gas project, and year end code enforcement numbers. Grey asked for the Village Manager to prepare a report detailing the financial feasibility of the Village plowing “in-house” compared to the cost of contracting the service out.
- No report was given as the LIPOA did not hold a meeting in January.

### Public Comments

- None

### Public Hearings

1. Proposed Ordinance 2008-09; Special Assessment Definition Amendment  
Torgerson opened the public hearing at 7:37 PM  
Public Comment/Objections: None  
Torgerson closed the public hearing at 7:38 PM

### Existing Business

1. Proposed Ordinance 2008-09; Special Assessment Procedures  
A motion was made by Griffin, which was seconded by Grey, to adopt Ordinance 2008-09, which amends the definition of “Public Improvement” in the Special Assessment chapter of the codified ordinances of the Village of Lake Isabella. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Unbuildable Lots Update

Wolff updated the Council on the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Michigan On-Site Wastewater Conference. He attended and was a speaker at the conference. He discussed the need to conduct a feasibility study to examine decentralized wastewater systems in Lake Isabella South and Lake Isabella Golf Estates II. He recommended to the Council that Rowe conduct the study but also incorporate into their proposal an independent review element.

With the consent of the Council, Wolff reported that he could have a cost proposal from Rowe either at the February or March meeting to conduct the study.

Grey asked what the source of the funds would be for the study. Wolff reported that the Village would use money in the Sewer Escrow account.

Torgerson noted that the money in the fund is limited on how it can be spent. And that conducting a feasibility study/concept design was an acceptable use of the funds.

3. Proposed Resolution 2008-07; Council Rules & Procedures Update

The Council's established rules allow for amendment only by a 2/3 majority vote of the Council. Further action on this was tabled until such time as at least 5 Council members are present to take action.

4. Proposed Resolution 2008-31; Street Sign Standards

A motion was made by Lacca, which was seconded by Griffin, to adopt Resolution 2008-31, which sets minimum design standards for traffic signs used by the Village. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**New Business**

1. Sam's Club Membership & Credit Card

The Council discussed the Manager's request and recommendation to purchase a membership at Sam's Club with a Sam's Club Credit Card or Sam's Discovery card of a limit not to exceed \$2,500.

A motion was made by Grey, which was seconded by Griffin, to authorize the Village to open a credit card with Sam's Club with a limit not to exceed \$2,500. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS; Grey, Griffin, Lacca, and Torgerson NAYS; None; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Public Comments**

- None

With no further business, the Village Council stood in adjournment at 8:18 PM.

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Jeffrey P. Grey, Village Clerk

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David Torgerson, Village President