

**Village of Ortonville**  
Township Offices – 395 Mill Street, Ortonville, MI 48462  
**Ortonville Village Council Meeting**  
**March 22, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.**

President Quisenberry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

Present: Champion, Nivel, Skornicka, Eschmann, Green, Quisenberry

Absent: Batten (with notice)

**Also Present:** Village Clerk – Heidi Barckholtz, Village Treasurer – Larry Brown, and approximately 9 other people.

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Motion** by **Trustee Green**, seconded by **Trustee Skornicka**, to approve the agenda as presented.

**All in Favor, the Motion carried.**

**Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:**

**A. Minutes of Village Council Meeting – March 8, 2010**

Corrections: None

**Motion** by **Trustee Champion**, seconded by **Trustee Nivel**, to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2010 Village Council Meeting.

**All in favor, the Motion carried.**

**Acceptance Items**

**A. Treasurer’s Report – February 2010**

**B. Brandon Township Minutes – February 16, 2010**

Council Reviewed. Items Accepted

**Disbursements:**

Clarification sought for the following invoice(s):

**# 7 Hobson, #8 Kyle, & #12 McGee** -Questioned and received clarification as to what building projects the inspection were for.

**Motion** by **Trustee Nivel**, seconded by **Trustee Eschmann**, to approve the disbursements for March 22, 2010 in the amount of \$ 32,666.94.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Eschmann, Green, Skornicka, Champion, Nivel, Quisenberry

**Nays:**

**Absent:** Batten (with notice)

**All in favor, the Motion carried.**

**DPW update:**

None

**Public Comments (Agenda Items Only):**

**Fred Waybrant** – Would like to present information regarding the Skate Park when it is addressed on the agenda under New Business.

**Mark Oberry** – Expressed his support in favor of opening the skate park.

**Glyness Hubbard** – Noted that the Council should ask Brandon Township to move the park to the new Township Park on Hadley Road and that it is a financial loss for the Village to pay for a monitor. She also stated that the Village should ask Brandon Township to require inspections of the equipment to keep up with the maintenance due to more injuries every year.

**Danielle Oberry** – Expressed her support in favor of opening the skate park.

**Unfinished Business:**

**A. Heritage Garden Fountain**

President Quisenberry recapped the proposal for a fountain in Heritage Gardens and noted that he feels comfortable moving forward with the project. It was again noted that the Main Street Program is covering the cost of the fountain.

**Motion by Trustee Champion**, seconded by **Trustee Nivelt**, to allow the proposed fountain in the Heritage garden as requested by the DDA.

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Nivelt, Eschmann, Skornicka, Green, Champion, Quisenberry

Nays:

Absent: Batten (with notice)

**All in favor, the Motion carried.**

**New Business:**

**A. Skate Park**

Discussion occurred amongst the Council regarding the Skate Park. One option discussed was the cost sharing of the Monitor's wages between the Brandon Township and the Village. Fred Waybrant, Brandon Township Parks and Recreation director, noted that he has two site directors at the ball fields from May to July with varying working hours that could oversee the skate park. There is no Township site supervisor on Saturdays so a person would need to be hired to cover that time. Another option presented by Fred Waybrant that had been discussed with Sgt Burkett of the Sheriff's department and Village Manager Sprague, was that of making the skate park a recreation program run by the Township recreation department that would require a fee and pass to use the skate park. This would also include a liability and behavior form requiring the signature of parents for kids under eighteen. The fee would offset the cost of the monitor. Discussion continued amongst Council members as to the best solution.

**Motion by Trustee Green**, seconded by **Trustee Skornicka**, to table the skate park opening until the next Village Council meeting.

**Motion fails due to lack of majority.**

**Motion** by **President Quisenberry**, seconded by **Trustee Champion**, to have the skate park open as scheduled with the procedures in place from last year and the Village hire a supervisor to perform those same services.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Nivelt, Champion, Quisenberry

**Nays:** Green, Skornicka, Eschmann

**Absent:** Batten (with notice)

**Motion fails due to lack of majority.**

**Motion** by **Trustee Nivelt**, to have the Village Manager look for a Skate supervisor and as soon as he finds and hires one the skate park will open.

**Motion dies due to lack of support.**

**Public Comments (Items not on Agenda):**

None

**Items from trustee:**

**President Quisenberry** – Noted the progress of the DDA pavilion that has gone up in Crossman Park.

**Motion** by **Trustee Green**, seconded by **Trustee Eschmann**, to adjourn the Village Council meeting.

**All in favor, the Motion Carried.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Barckholtz  
Village Clerk