**Village of Cement City**

**Council Meeting Minutes**

December 10, 2015 7:00 p.m. Village Hall Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Cement City Village Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance: Citizens present. Members present: Mel Cure, Patty Buvia, James Ellis, and Larry Babinger. Clerk Carol Ladd and DPW Time Wheaton were present.

**Departments**

Police: Chief Elwell reported on police activity.

Fire: No report.

**Guest Speaker-** None.

**Minutes Reviewed**-

Regular Meeting minutes of the 11-12-15 meeting were read. Motion made by Babinger, second by Buvia to accept the Regular minutes. Ayes all, motion passed.

**Receipt of Treasurer’s Report**-Report reviewed by all. Motion made by Ellis, second by Buvia to accept the November Report subject to audit. Ayes by all, motion passed.

**Presentation of Existing Bills**- Motion made by Buvia, second by Babinger to pay existing bills with late addition. Ayes by all. Motion passed.

**Staff Progress Reports-**

Zoning: Trumble reported on recent activity.

Building: Wheaton updated council on winterization efforts. He presented a tree removal form for the tree in question for the Rhinehart homestead.

Planning: Sande Ellis reported and presented updated enacting clauses/ordinances to council. She explained that it is close to being sent to our lawyer for review. Council shall then make changes if necessary before sending it to Region 2 and posting in paper that it is available for review. The process may take up to 2-3 months. Council agreed to add to the next agenda for review. Sande Ellis added that the Master Plan is ready to go to the lawyer if council adds input.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

Cure referenced a resolution sent by the lawyer to address civil disobedience at the public meetings. Motion made by Ellis, second by Babinger to accept the resolution as presented. Ayes by all. Motion passed. Chief Elwell was asked to describe how the public participation portion of the agenda is handled at the Township and/or County level. Elwell stated that it varies by venue but noted that most agendas follow the rule of allowing the public to speak briefly at the beginning public participation. Some may rebuttal at the end of the meeting participation portion. He noted that comments are respectfully heard but are not always given immediate answers or replies.

Cure asked Mrs. Boyd about progress at 401 Main Street. Boyd stated they had the permits and were making progress. Cure reminded her that she had 90 days to obtain an occupancy permit and asked her to contact the building inspector to sign off on safety issues.

**Public Participation**

None.

**Good & Welfare**

Motion made by Cure, second by Babinger to adjourn. Ayes by all, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by Carol Ladd, Clerk

Approved by Mel Cure, President