

**Village of Elberta Michigan  
Council Meeting Minutes  
April 15, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Elberta Village Council was held at the Community Building, Thursday, April 15, 2010.

Present: D.Holmes (7:15), Bower, D.Bower, Ness, Hendershott and K.Holmes.

Absent: R.Manville

Guests:

President ProTem, K.Holmes, opened the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Hendershott supported by D.Bower to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 18, 2010. Yeas - 4.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Ness supported by Hendershott to approve the agenda as proposed. Yeas - 4.

Brief Public Comment:

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Correspondence was discussed especially the e-mail copied to Bower from Bill Olson concerning the trees being cut down along M-168.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Motion by Hendershott supported by D.Bower to approve the bills for March 1 to March 31 in the amount of \$20,191.32. Yeas - 4.

**Super's Report:** Super's report was discussed at length. Motion by D.Bower supported by Ness to accept the Super's report. Yeas - 5.

Department heads were heard from.

The current restrictions in the Village's Zoning Ordinance were discussed and will be addressed in the future by the Planning Commission and Village Council. The Council was unanimous in their feelings that a lot must be 12,000 square feet in order to build was too restrictive.

D.Holmes said that he has been in contact with Sand Products concerning the problems on the beach area. He said that he feels a public hearing/forum should be held with Sand Products and all other interested parties to formulate a solution.

AGENDA:

1.D/A Annual Appointments. Motion by Ness supported by D.Bower to approve the annual appointments. Yeas - 5. These are annual appointments with the exception of K.Holmes to the BLUA board for a term ending in 2012 and Hendershott's term ending in 2011. Kelly Stapleton's term on the Planning Commission will end in 2013.

2.D/A Employees. The productivity in the DPW was discussed at length. It was suggested that the computer be moved out of the garage and be put in the Village Office. All of the Council expressed their views on what could be done to improve work conditions. Motion by D.Bower supported by Ness to mandate substantial improvement in productivity in the DPW department and failure to do this will result in review by the Council and subsequently cutting hours. Yeas - 5.

Motion to adjourn was accepted.

Sharyn Bower, Village Clerk