

NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2018

VILLAGE OF LYONS

212 Water Street, P.O. Box 175
Lyons, Michigan 48851
989.855.2125 FAX: 989.855.2813

The regular village council meeting was called to order by President Charles at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The formulation of the roll was taken:

Roll Call:

Fred Charles P Max Darling P Kenton Eavey P Joe Farrington P
Jon Houserman P Cassondra Keller P Bernard Russell P

Also Attending:

Vicki Helms P Lyndon Randall P Judy Stockwell P Alison Irey P

A quorum was declared.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was offered by Trustee Keller, seconded by Trustee Darling to approve the agenda, as written. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as written.**

President’s Report: President Charles may be changing personnel on the committees.

Public Comments: none

Approval of the October 10th Special Minutes: A motion was offered by Trustee Darling, seconded by Trustee Houserman to approve the previous month regular minutes with a revision showing Trustee Russell present. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as amended.**

Approval of the Previous Month Regular Minutes: A motion was offered by Trustee Farrington, seconded by Trustee Russell to approve the previous month regular minutes with a revision of “nothing” in place of “noting” under DDA. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as amended.**

Approval of Accounts Payable: A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Darling to approve the Accounts Payable Distribution Report (10/12/18 -11/23/18) totaling \$32,291.12. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Stockwell informed council some information about 2 CD’s – interest rates, renewal dates and current rates. She recommends renewing for 1 year at a time. Independent has a sweep account, minimum \$100,000 with interest rate of 1.9%. Treasurer would like to have a barcode and scanner for the UB accounts that would reduce data entry errors. A motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Houserman to approve a barcode and scanner for UB, not to exceed \$500. **Motion was carried by voice vote.** A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Farrington, to approve and accept the Treasurer’s expenditure/revenue report and balance sheet dated October 31, 2018. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

DPW Report:

Approved November Meeting Minutes

Josh Dickover reported water leaks on Elizabeth and Bridge have been repaired and water usage has gone down by roughly 20,000 gallons per day. DPW Superintendent Randall informed council the average cost for a rebuilt grinder pump is \$1,500 and a new one would be about \$3,000. After discussion a motion was offered by Trustee Darling, seconded by Trustee Eavey to purchase a reconditioned grinder pump for \$1,500 out of the Sewer Fund. **Motion was carried by voice vote.** Trustee Darling brought up the DPW cell phone and the cost, Josh said if we switched to Straight Talk we would spend \$35 per month for unlimited. After discussion a motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Keller to approve the cell phone change to Straight Talk and purchase of a new phone. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee: Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling said the 2018 street work is all done and the cost was less than estimated. Christmas by the River is Dec 13th. A motion was offered by Trustee Darling, seconded by Trustee Houserman to close the following streets:

Dec 13th 5pm – 6pm for parade line up

Elizabeth St. from Water St. to Bridge St. AND Hunt St. from Hawley St. to King St.

Dec 13th 4pm to 10 pm for the parade

Bridge St from John St. to Prairie St.

Dec 13th 5pm to 10 pm

Water St. from King St. to Bridge St. closed to thru traffic, but open for parking

Bridge St. from Prairie St. to King St. closed to thru traffic, but open for parking

Prairie St. from Bridge St. to Isham St. closed to thru traffic, but open for parking

Motion was carried by voice vote.

Finance Committee: Chairperson Houserman

Chairperson Houserman informed council the Water/Sewer Rate study is February 4th 10:00 am. November 28th 9:00 am will be an initial budget meeting with Finance Chairman Houserman and staff.

Ordinance Committee: Chairperson Darling – nothing at this time.

Personnel Committee: Chairperson Farrington

A motion was offered by Trustee Farrington, seconded by Trustee Russell to approve a Wage Supplement of \$125.00 for all employees payable on the next payroll. **Motion was carried by voice vote with an abstain by Trustee Keller.**

Grants Committee: Chairperson Russell

Chairperson Russell said we received an email from Jon Moxey from Fleis and Vandenbrink that the Michigan Legislature is working on approving a fund of \$3 million set aside in the Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) for cities and villages with populations of 10,000 or less. The maximum grant is \$250,000 with a \$1 for \$1 match.

Parks & Recreation Committee: Chairperson Keller -nothing at this time.

DDA: Chairperson Irey

Chairperson Irey let council know the Library asked for a new sign which could happen next year, the brick work is done on the store front, she is working with the VFW about the wreaths. They can always use a few more members.

Approved November Meeting Minutes

Events Committee: Chairperson Keller

Chairperson Keller said Christmas by the River is Dec 13th. The Christmas tree will be delivered by Dec 8th and decoration will be on Dec 8th.

Unfinished Business: none

Correspondence:

Letter from Lyons Township District Library recommending Jerry Rich for reappointment. A motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Houserman to approve Jerry Rich as Library Trustee at the Lyons Township District Library for 1 four (4) year term beginning January of 2019. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

New Business: none

Other Comments:

Trustee Houserman asked what the Village is doing regarding the Marijuana Proposal, Trustee Eavey is already working with the Village attorney to write something up.

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Darling to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:
Vicki Helms, Village Clerk