

**MARCH MEETING MINUTES**

March 19, 2018

**VILLAGE OF LYONS**

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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 Ab Kenton Eavey P  
Jon Houserman P Bernard Russell P

**Also Attending:**

Doreen Gould P Vicki Helms P Stub White P Josh Dickover P  
Alison Irey P

A quorum was declared.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Eavey to approve the agenda, as amended by moving "President's Report" to the #2 position from here forward. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as amended.**

**President's Report:** President Charles reminded everyone Dumpster Day is April 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 am to 11:00 am. He said DPW has been working in the parks and they are looking good. Also, DPW was able to save the Village \$1300 by replacing the tractor brush gear box, using one from an old brush. President Charles informed council, two trustees had void their positions by being delinquent on their 2017 Village property taxes. Trustee Houserman asked some questions and wanted his email from 3/19/18 9:47:25 am enter into the meeting minutes book. After discussion President Charles requested that council make a motion to appoint both trustees back onto the council since they have both paid their Village property taxes in full. A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Russell to appoint Joe Farrington back onto council as a Trustee. **Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote:** Kenton Eavey-yes, Jon Houserman-yes, Bernie Russell-yes, and Fred Charles-yes. A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Eavey to appoint Cassondra Keller back onto council as a Trustee. **Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote:** Jon Houserman-yes, Bernie Russell-yes, Fred Charles-yes and Kenton Eavey-yes.

**Public Hearing on DNR Passport Grant Application opened.**

There was some discussion between council and Jon Moxey from Fleis & Vandenbrink.

**Public Hearing closed.**

**Public Comments:** none

**Guest Speaker:** none

**Approval of the Previous Month Regular Minutes:** A motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Russell to approve the previous month regular minutes. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as written.**

**Approval of the February 21, 2018 Special Minutes:** A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Russell to approve the Feb 21, 2018 Special minutes after

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adding “yes” behind Fred Charles name since he had voted yes. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as amended.**

**Approval of Accounts Payable:** A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Eavey to approve the Current Month Accounts Payable Distribution Report totaling \$19,670.32. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**Approval of the Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer Gould reported the Revenue & Expenditure Report included for February 28<sup>th</sup> is not final because there are year-end adjusting entries and auditor’s entries to be done. A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Russell, to approve and accept the Treasurer’s expenditure/revenue report and balance sheet dated February 28, 2018. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**DPW Report:** Stub White  
Superintendent White covered the DPW report.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee:** Chairperson Darling absent - nothing

**Finance Committee:** Chairperson Houserman  
Chairperson Houserman informed council the road funding was passed by the house and the senate, we should be receiving the \$8441.46 in early April.

**Ordinance Committee:** Chairperson Darling absent - nothing

**Personnel Committee:** - nothing

**Grants Committee:** Chairperson Russell  
Chairperson Russell stated the Grants committee agreed not to apply for the DNR Passport Grant because \$180,000 was too much money to put into the Comfort Station. Council did not approve the amended CIP or Resolution #'s 2018-02 or 2018-03. Chairperson Russell said the SAW Grant is for televising sewers and re-evaluation of list station. After discussion a motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Eavey to approve the SAW Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$331,525. **Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote:** Bernie Russell-yes, Fred Charles-yes, Kenton Eavey-yes and Jon Houserman-yes. Chairperson Russell brought up the Rural Task Force for the Tabor Street Project. Because of the total cost estimate of \$1,194,000 for this project, it was said that after Trustee Darling gets back, the Village would rework the figures with the engineering firm. Chairperson Russell turned the floor over to President Charles, who explained the Competitive Grant Assistance Program and that there was a letter to support the application. After discussion a motion was offered by Trustee Russell and seconded by Trustee Houserman to support the Competitive Grant Assistance Program Application with Village of Muir letter. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

### **Parks & Recreation Committee:**

President Charles explained that we received the Rec Plan from Cassondra Keller. He requested a motion to approve the 2018-2022 Rec Plan. A motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Russell to approve the Recreation Plan for 2018 – 2022. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

**DDA:** Chairperson Irey

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Chairperson Irey informed council they plan to email meeting reminders for future DDA meetings. They tabled the By Laws. Clerk Helms needs a list of email addresses to send meeting reminders to.

**Events Committee:** nothing

**Unfinished Business:** none

**Correspondence:**

**New Business:** Nomination and Appointment of Treasurer and Clerk

A motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Houserman to nominate and appoint Doreen Gould as Treasurer for 2 years through March 2020 meeting. **Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote:** Fred Charles-yes, Kenton Eavey-yes, Jon Houserman-yes and Bernie Russell-yes. A motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Eavey to nominate and appoint Vicki Helms as Clerk for 2 years through March 2020 meeting. **Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote:** Kenton Eavey-yes, Jon Houserman-yes, Bernie Russell-yes and Fred Charles-yes.

**Other Comments:**

President Charles mentioned that Sue DeVries from Michigan Economic Development Corporation came and spoke with council members. Business owners can get funds for improvements. The Village is not eligible to receive these as the owner of the Museum.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Houserman to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Vicki Helms, Village Clerk