

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

MAY MEETING MINUTES

May 15, 2017

VILLAGE OF LYONS

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The regular village council meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Kenton Eavey at 6:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The formulation of the roll was taken:

Roll Call:

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

Also Attending:

Doreen Gould	P	Vicki Helms	P	Mike Pawlowski	Ab	Stub White	P
Bryon Bennett	Ab						

A quorum was declared.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was offered by Trustee Darling, seconded by Trustee Keller to approve the agenda, changing Rec Plan 2017-2021 to tabled. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as amended.**

**Public Comments:** Mark Schneider addressed council regarding the letter he received, dated 3/29/17 from council. Mr. Schneider provided some documentation and some pictures. After presenting his information, council thanked him and President Pro-tem said the committee would have a meeting to discuss what to do and would get back with him. The meeting will be posted and Mr. Schneider is welcome to attend.

**Guest Speaker:** none

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

**Approval of Accounts Payable:** A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Darling to approve the Current Month Accounts Payable Distribution Report totaling \$45,016.75 which includes \$19,998.84 for well #2 storm damage (reimbursed by MML) and \$4,900 to F&V for ICE Grant application. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**Approval of the Treasurer’s Report:** 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 April 30, 2017. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**President’s Report:** President Pro Tem Kenton Eavey said President Charles wants to have a town hall meeting and wants to know if council wants it to be held with a regular council meeting or separate? Council is good with whatever he chooses.

**DPW Report:** Stub White,

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DPW Superintendent White noted they have cleaned up the mess on the island after the flooding, they have temporarily fixed the walking trail on the island, painted the Robinson Park sign, and replaced a broken swing. Water loss is down to 35%. Storm drain has been installed under Robinson St. Superintendent White said the cost to fix the walking trail on the island with lime stone is \$1,200. There was discussion of using sand, wood chips or lime stone. Superintendent White said the cost of a hot box is \$14,200. Trustee Houserman suggested they put it on next year budget.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee:** Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling said hot patch would last longer for the larger holes by making square areas to fill rather than just filling the holes.

**Finance Committee:** Chairperson Houserman had nothing at this time.

**Ordinance Committee:** Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling turned the floor over the Trustee Eavey to cover the Sump pump ordinance. Trustee Eavey gave council a couple of options to add to the Storm drain description on the new ordinance. After discussion, option 1 was chosen and a motion was offered by Trustee Darling, seconded by Trustee Keller to approve Ordinance 2017 No. 1 discharge of sump water adding the definition of storm drain. **Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote:** Max Darling-yes, Kenton Eavey-yes, Joe Farrington-yes, Jon Houserman-yes, and Cassi Keller-yes. Chairman Darling said a lot of our storm system is really old, we may have to dig up King & Hunt area because there seems to be an ongoing problem. DPW is watching for leaks. Several letters have been sent out regarding lawns and vehicles. Trustee Eavey said there was an email from Ben Landes from the State of Michigan, Phoenix Enterprise is not in compliance with the Village ordinances regarding vehicles at the business. Trustee Houserman suggested we work with the Village attorney for the next step from the Village.

**Personnel Committee:** Chairperson Farrington

Chairperson Farrington said he will be meeting with Clerk Helms regarding updating some Personnel Policies, then a Personnel Committee meeting with final drafts to be approved at the June council meeting.

**Grants Committee:** Chairperson Russell - absent

Chairperson Darling noted we have received an email from MEDC that we were denied the ICE Grant. Trustee Houserman asked if we could have someone from Fleis & Vandenbrink come to our June meeting to brief us on the outcome of the application. Clerk Helms said she would check with F&V.

**Parks & Recreation Committee:** Chairperson Keller

Chairperson Keller said they will be having a Parks Committee meeting soon. The Rec Plan is almost finished, she plans to bring the 2017-2021 Rec Plan to council meeting in June. She also informed council she has been working with Michigan Works – Path Program and we may be able to take advantage of free help, usually about 20 hours.

**DDA:** Chairperson Bennett

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DDA Chairperson Bennett provided a report and is hoping DPW will purchase flowers for both Village and down town area and plans to get them planted this weekend with community service help. The DDA possible landscaping plan is being explored.

**Events Committee:** Cassondra Keller

Trustee Keller stated the Events Committee is having a Logo contest and planning the Island Fest. June 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> is free fishing weekend and they have lots of plans on the island.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Trustee Houserman said they asked the Village of Muir to remove the double billing for DPW from the Lagoon billing and also the Treasurer costs that were never there before. We are waiting for the revised billing.

### **Correspondence:**

Annual Tax Foreclosure sale memo from Ionia County Treasurer. After discussion, a motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Darling to refuse the option to purchase 104 S Higbee and 107 S Higbee prior to Tax sale. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

**New Business:** none

### **Other Comments:**

Trustee Houserman asked to please post the Streets, Water/Sewer Fire Committee meeting, pertaining to Mark Schneider parking lot letter.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Farrington, seconded by Trustee Darling to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Vicki Helms, Village Clerk