

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

JULY MEETING MINUTES

July 17, 2017

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	Joe Farrington	P
Jon Houserman	P	Cassandra Keller	Ab	Bernard Russell	P		

Also Attending:

Doreen Gould	P	Vicki Helms	P	Stub White	P	Bryon Bennett	P
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A quorum was declared.

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

Public Comments: none

Guest Speaker: Matt Holland, Village Auditor from Gabridge and Company.

Mr. Holland covered the highlights of the fiscal year 2016-2017 Audit Report. The Village was issued an unqualified opinion (the highest rating given).

Approval of the Previous Month Regular Minutes: A motion was offered by Trustee Farrington, seconded by Trustee Eavey to approve the previous month regular minutes, amending Stub White arriving late rather than absent. **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 \$11,835.20. **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 June 30, 2017. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

President's Report: President Charles said Mr. Landes from the State has a meeting July 25th to determine the outcome of business license for Phoenix Enterprise. He is waiting to hear more regarding what is happening with the old store downtown. President Charles also said Melissa Eldridge from Ionia County Conservation District was here today and met with Trustee Eavey and himself to go over options that might be available to the Village. Ms. Eldridge will schedule a meeting in the near future with the Village. A form was signed for treatment of targeted invasive species.

President Charles turned the floor over to Ashley Strasser. Ms. Strasser explained her situation to council. A motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Houserman to allow for the water to be turned on at 251 S Tabor after the meeting, with full UB payment by credit

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card to be processed on Wednesday July 19th, this is a one-time only exception. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

DPW Report: Stub White

Superintendent White covered the DPW report and then asked if council wanted a stone fire ring down by the bridge. The answer was yes. Council and DPW talked about intersections that could be trimmed back.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee: Chairperson Darling -absent

President Charles brought up the drive way that Machine Tool is going to be putting in and asked council how they felt about the driveway being on the north side of small tree that is just southeast of the Village parking lot. Council said his driveway needs to be south of the tree on Machine Tool property.

Finance Committee: Chairperson Houserman

Chairperson Houserman offered a motion, seconded by Trustee Eavey to approve the FY 16/17 audit that was presented tonight. **Motion was carried by voice vote.** Chairperson Houserman talked about the MERS Dec 31, 2016 valuation report. A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Farrington to continue the contribution of \$213 to MERS through 2/28/2018 and then contribute the MERS recommended amount of \$34.00 (on page 7 of 27 of the report) starting 3/1/2018. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Ordinance Committee: Chairperson Darling - absent

There was some discussion about how to handle the blight situations in the village, and it will be discussed more at an ordinance meeting. President Charles mentioned the mandatory water hook up deadline is September 1, 2017.

Personnel Committee: Chairperson Farrington

Chairperson Farrington has nothing at this time. Trustee Houserman suggested Clerk Helms ask other villages who they use for LAD&D since we have had so many issues with The Standard.

Grants Committee: Chairperson Russell

Nothing at this time.

Parks & Recreation Committee: Chairperson Keller - absent

Trustee Eavey offered a motion to close the streets per the schedule below, seconded by Trustee Farrington. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Street Closing for Island Fest 2017

Thursday, Aug. 3rd, 4pm to 9:30pm for Car Show

Bridge St. from John St. to Elizabeth St.

Prairie St. from Water St. to Bridge St.

Water St. from Elizabeth St. to Prairie St.

King St. from Water St. to Isham St.

4 pm - 2 am Prairie St. from Bridge to Isham

Friday, Aug. 4th 11am to Midnight Fest Activities

Bridge St. from John St. to Prairie St.

Prairie St. from Water St. to Bridge St.

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Water St. from King St. to Prairie St.
4 pm - 2 am Prairie St. from Bridge to Isham

Saturday, Aug 5th for Parade, Derby and Activities

Bridge St. from John St. to Elizabeth St. 10:30am to 2pm
Bridge St. from John St. to Prairie St. remain closed until 1:00am (6th)
Prairie St. from Water St. to Bridge St. 10:30am to 1:00am (6th)
Water St. from Elizabeth St. to Prairie St. 10:30 am to 1:00am (6th)
King St. from Water St. to Isham St. 10:30am to 2:00pm
10:30a- 2am Prairie St. from Bridge to Isham

PARADE ROUTE:

Line up on Robinson St. facing North

Close Robinson from Bridge to Atwater 9:30 to 11:00am
Close Hunt St. at Robinson St. 9:30am to 11:00am
Close Atwater St. from Tabor St. to Robinson St. 9:30am to 11:00am
Close Tabor St. at Fuller St. from 11:00am to 12 Noon.
Close Elizabeth St. at Tabor St. 11:00am to 12 Noon.
Close Bridge St. from Tabor to Elizabeth St. 11:00am to 12 Noon

DDA: Chairperson Bennett

Chairperson Bennett said they will be setting up a DDA meeting next week – it will be posted when they know the date and time. He also expressed wanting to be involved with project that pertain to the downtown area including working with Melissa Eldridge from ICD.

Events Committee: Cassondra Keller - absent

Unfinished Business: none

Correspondence: MML 2017 Fund Trustee Election

After discussion of the MML ballot, a motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Farrington, to approve voting for the five incumbent candidates running for Trustee positions. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

New Business:

Other Comments:

Trustee Eavey announced that Kenton and Camilla Eavey would pay for the band at Island Fest Street dance this year.

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Houserman to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:
Vicki Helms, Village Clerk