

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

AUGUST MEETING MINUTES

August 21, 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	P	Kenton Eavey	P	Joe Farrington	P
Jon Houserman	P	Cassandra Keller	Ab	Bernard Russell	P		

Also Attending:

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

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

Public Comments:

Mark Schneider from Premium Machine & Tool expressed his feelings about the special assessment on his property tax bill for the cost of the manhole that was installed last year. President Charles asked him to set up a meeting with council to discuss this situation next week.

Guest Speaker: none

Approval of the Previous Month Regular Minutes: A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Russell to approve the previous month regular minutes, amending the date at the top to July 17, 2017. **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 \$30,581.34. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report: A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Eavey, to approve and accept the Treasurer’s expenditure/revenue report and balance sheet dated July 31, 2017, and Close the Street Construction Account with Independent Bank since it is no longer needed. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

President’s Report: President Charles said residents have thanked him for the Village working on catch basins. He felt the town hall meeting went well. Water hook ups are getting done. President Charles, Trustee Farrington, and Trustee Keller went to the RRC (Redevelopment Ready Communities) 1,2&3 classes that is required for Grants. The invasive species “Knottweed” will be sprayed on September 5th and 15th. Ionia Conservation District is planting wild flowers, now that the low area by fish ladder is drying out.

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DPW Report: Stub White

Superintendent White covered the DPW report and said they fixed the Hazel DeVore sign and the Bench at the comfort station.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee: Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling brought up the plow quote that was in the packets. After discussion, the topic was tabled until another quote is received. The car show is scheduled for September 14th. After discussion, a motion was offered by Trustee Darling, seconded by Trustee Houserman to approve the street closings as follows: 9/14/17 4 pm to 9:30 pm, 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. and 4 pm to 2 am Prairie St. from Bridge St. to Isham St. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Finance Committee: Chairperson Houserman

Chairperson Houserman said he contacted Mike Engels to setup a date to come and do a Water and Sewer rate study sometime in late October or November. Council and staff will be informed via email.

Ordinance Committee: Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling turned the floor over to Trustee Eavey. Trustee Eavey covered the changes in Sec 8-51A&B and said the Village attorney has already cleared the changes. After discussion, a motion was offered by Trustee Eavey, seconded by Trustee Houserman to accept 2017 Ordinance No 2, changing Sec. 8-51 Penalty A and B, effective September 10th, 2017.

Motion was carried by ROLL CALL vote: Kenton Eavey-yes, Joe Farrington-yes, Jon Houserman-yes, Bernie Russell-yes, Fred Charles -yes and Max Darling-yes.

Personnel Committee: Chairperson Farrington

Chairperson Farrington gave an update on the Health Insurance renewal. The rate for the same plan has went up about 9%. After discussion, a motion was offered by Trustee Farrington, seconded by Trustee Houserman to continue with the same Health Insurance Plan even though it's a little higher. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Grants Committee: Chairperson Russell

Nothing at this time.

Parks & Recreation Committee: Chairperson Keller - absent

Trustee Russell said the committee is working on a deposit refund/cancelation policy.

DDA: Chairperson Bennett - absent

President Charles said that Chairperson Bennett said he will be resigning at the end of this year. DDA will need a new president.

Events Committee: Cassondra Keller – absent

Trustee Darling reminded everyone of the Car Show on September 14th.

Unfinished Business: none

Correspondence: none

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New Business: none

Other Comments: none

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Darling to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:
Vicki Helms, Village Clerk