

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

September 18, 2017

VILLAGE OF LYONS

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The regular village council meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem 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	Cassandra Keller	P	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 Darling, seconded by Trustee Keller to approve the agenda, moving DDA to the top of Committee reports. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as amended.**

Public Comments:

Sherry Mason – Ms. Mason had questions about the other people on the well on her property. Council told her everyone was notified a year ago that the well will need to be abandoned by Sept 1, 2018, therefore the well itself will need to be abandoned completely, not just her line.

Susan Craft – As Muir Clerk, Ms. Craft asked that the Village of Lyons post the flyer she brought for Trunk or Treat along the CIS Trail on October 31st from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Anyone that wants to contribute candy or bring their vehicle for the trunk or treating is welcome.

Chase Nobis – Mr. Nobis explained to council that licensing approval comes from the municipalities beginning Dec 15, 2017. He wanted to know if council would consider a grower and processor license using the Chrysler Plant for the facility. There was a lot of discussion but no answer was given at this time. Mr. Nobis would like to know what the Village would require to be done at the building if he were granted the license.

Mark Schneider from Premium Machine & Tool asked for a meeting with council. President Pro Tem Eavey said someone will contact him with a date for a meeting.

Bruce Jandernoa – Mr. Jandernoa wants to help build the community, trying to get neighbors helping neighbors. He and a couple others from area church groups might go door-to-door to ask if someone needs help with anything.

Guest Speaker: none

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

Approval of Accounts Payable: A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Farrington to approve the Current Month Accounts Payable Distribution Report totaling \$23,985.33. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report: A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Russell, to approve and accept the Treasurer’s expenditure/revenue report and

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balance sheet dated August 31, 2017, noting the answer to the question from last month – the extra expense in the water fund was for a replacement of well #2 after being hit by lightning and will be amended towards the end of the FY. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

President's Report: President Pro Tem Eavey said some residents are still putting grass and/or leaves into the streets and this needs to be addressed by the ordinance committee. Bridge street was swept of the loose stone. Trees need more watering since we are very dry.

DPW Report: Stub White

Superintendent White covered the DPW report. Trustee Darling said they will look into re-striping parking lines at the library.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DDA: Chairperson Bennett

Chairperson Bennett will not be renewing his position as DDA President in November 2017. He will continue to be an active member, and will be purchasing the holiday lights this year. Also, he does not have keys to anything in the Village.

Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee: Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling said they have been working with the licensing committee on the automobile dealership. Also, Mike Pawlowski gave his resignation and last day will be 9/29/17.

Finance Committee: Chairperson Houserman

Chairperson Houserman said Mike Engels from Michigan Rural Water Association will be here to do a water/sewer rate study in November. Joe Verlin from Gabridge and Company will be coming to meet with himself and office staff regarding Trash accounts that need to be in place.

Ordinance Committee: Chairperson Darling

Chairperson Darling said he did not have anything. Trustee Houserman asked where we are with mandatory water hook ups. There was discussion about who has/hasn't been hookup so far. President Pro Tem Eavey said we have forwarded a file to the Village's attorney regarding Pheonix Enterprise and will be meeting with the attorney soon.

Personnel Committee: Chairperson Farrington

Chairperson Farrington said there will be a Personnel Committee meeting Monday September 25th at 10:30 am to talk about LAD&D and general personnel concerns.

Grants Committee: Chairperson Russell

Nothing at this time. Trustee Houserman asked about Passport Program up to \$25,000 that Jon Moxey from F&V was going to email to the Village. Nothing received yet. Clerk Helms will follow up on this.

Parks & Recreation Committee: Chairperson Keller

Trustee Keller said thanks to DPW Superintendent for covering Parks for the summer.

Events Committee: Cassondra Keller

Trustee Keller said Island Fest went well despite the rainy weather. The committee will discuss downsizing Island Fest next year and have the car show in the fall. This Saturday, September 23rd is the Touch a Truck event where kids can get into the trucks and touch them, etc. They will need some road closings. A motion was offered by Trustee Keller, seconded by Trustee

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Farrington to approve closing Bridge St. from John to Prairie, 11:00 am to 3:30 pm on Saturday September 23rd for the Touch a Truck event. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Unfinished Business: none

Correspondence:

- MMLL&PP Official Ballot 2017. A motion was offered by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Darling to approve all incumbents for the Official Ballot – 2017. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

- Ballot for IIMC Region V Director. No action taken as it is not required.

- Letter from Sherrie Mason. Because of circumstances Ms. Mason is asking for extension for the mandatory hookup. After discussion, a motion was offered by Trustee Keller, seconded by Trustee Houserman to defer mandatory Water hook up at 151 S King for another 30 days.

New Business: none

Other Comments:

- Susan Craft asked when will the stump be ground out from the tree cutting earlier this year. Trustee Darling said he needed to schedule this. Ms. Craft reminded everyone of the Water Festival @ Twin Rivers School September 20th afternoon.

- Trustee Farrington informed council he is buying the Lyons Store and asked if council would forgive the 2017 water/sewer fees. Treasurer Gould will get a figure for council to consider.

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Houserman to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:
Vicki Helms, Village Clerk