

MEETING MINUTES

May, 2022

VILLAGE OF LYONS

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The regular Village Council meeting was called to order by President Pro Temp Eavey at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America 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 Patty Priest P Bernard Russell P

Additional Personnel:

Ann Schueller P Gabriele Charles P Lyndon Randall P Josh Dickover AB  
Alison Irey P Teresa Rowley P

A quorum was declared.

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

**President’s Report:**

Public Hearing was opened to discuss the Water/Sewer Rate Study. Trustee Houserman presented the information. Joe from MRWA was present to answer any questions that the public might have. After more than thirty minutes of discussion the Public Hearing was closed.

**Approval of the Previous Month’s Regular Minutes:** A motion was offered by Trustee Priest, seconded by Trustee Houserman to approve the April 18 2022 regular meeting minutes. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as written.**

**Approval of Accounts Payable:** Trustee Houserman stated nothing out of the ordinary for payables. A motion was made by Trustee Houserman, seconded by Trustee Farrington to approve the Accounts Payable Distribution Report for the period 04/15/2022-05/11/2022 totaling \$38,802.20. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**Approval of the Treasurer’s Report:** Trustee Houserman stated that there are a few places like Revenue with MDOT money and State Revenue Sharing that still need to get recorded as they are received. Teresa and Gabriele have been working on getting these caught up. Trustee Houserman made a motion to approve the April 30, 2022 Revenue and Expenditure report as well as the Balance Sheet. Seconded by Trustee Farrington. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**DPW Report:** Lyndon Randall, Supervisor, reported they are behind in mowing and trying to get caught up. They will be fixing the hole in front of the office tomorrow. They had to do a road cutout water repair a couple of weeks ago.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: One person questioned the trucks being outside and keeping them clean, tools clean, etc.

Chairperson Darling reported that he had a quote from Fleis & VandenBrink for the Bridge Inspection at a cost of \$900.00. Chairman Darling made a motion to accept the quote, seconded by Trustee Houserman. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

Trustee Darling stated that he also had a quote from PM Technology for repair of controls on the generator on well 2 for \$1363.00 that he moved approval for, seconded by Trustee Houserman. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

Another request that Trustee Darling had was to raise the wages of the part time DPW workers from \$12.00 to \$14.00, seconded by Trustee Farrington. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

Trustee Darling stated that after phone calls, emails and texting, we finally received a contract from Verizon today so that we can repower our Beacon System.

### **Finance & Grants Committee:** Chairperson Houserman

Chairperson Houserman talked about the options the Council had in regards to the Rate Study discussed earlier. One option is to just go with the study, do partial increases, do no increases or go with the rate study and try and fix the rates and keep them in place for a period of time like for a year and a half. Trustee Houserman proposes to go with the Rate Study, he then made the motion for such, seconded by Trustee Darling. Roll Vote was taken:

Max Darling Yes, Kenton Eavey Yes, Joe Farrington Yes, Jon Houserman Yes, Patty Priest Yes, Bernie Russell Yes **Motion Carried**

Chairperson Houserman stated that the Audit will be an audit starting for the Fiscal Year Ending 02/28/21 Gabridge & Co. auditors will be here June 6 & 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Ordinance Committee:** Chairperson Russell

Chairperson Russell reported he and President Charles are generating a Lawn Violation list right now.

**Personnel Committee:** Chairman Farrington stated there was nothing new at this time. He did comment that Lyndon and his department does a much better job on the grass than the City of Lansing. Again, thanked everyone's hard work and how much he appreciated everyone.

### **Parks & Recreation Committee:** Chairperson Priest

Chairperson Priest stated there was nothing new.

### **DDA:** Chairperson Irey -

Chairperson Irey reported nothing new to add except their meeting is next Monday.

### **Events Committee:** Chairperson Priest

Chairperson Priest stated that Island Fest is moving right along. She had two new bikes donated from Culver's. She will be working on more. The Cherpes brothers are going to be playing on Center Stage thanks to Lyons Bar and she has had two Elvis guys approach her and they want to come and donate a couple of hours. They will be on before the Cherpes brothers in the afternoon. She also reported that she was unable to do Culver's fundraiser as she had a family member in the hospital. However, they are scheduled to be there in June 21<sup>st</sup>. She needs help from people to run the games.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**Correspondence:** None

**New Business:** Library Board replacement as Chace Nobis resigned effective April 20, 2022. His term was until December 2024. The Council can appoint a replacement according to the By Laws. An application was received from Joe Farrington to fill this position. Trustee Darling made a motion to accept Trustee Farrington's application, seconded by Trustee Houserman.

**Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**Other Comments:** Trustee Priest wanted to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and prayers while she was in the ICU.

Comments were also voiced about calls not going through.

A resident reported that her water pressure is still low after promises to be fixed. DPW Randall stated that he would be out tomorrow to check it out.

Teresa Rowley has given her two-week notice.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Darling to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Ann Schueller, Village Clerk