

**MEETING MINUTES**

September 18, 2023

**VILLAGE OF LYONS**

Lyons, Michigan 48851

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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 United States of America flag was recited.

The formulation of the roll was taken:

**Roll Call:**

Fred Charles P    Jennifer Spearling P    Kenton Eavey P    Joe Farrington P  
Patty Priest P    Bernard Russell P    Erin Randall P

**Additional Personnel:**

Ann Schueller P    Gabriele Charles P    Lyndon Randall P  
Alison Irely P

A quorum was declared.

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

**President’s Report:** President Charles reported that the Village is looking great, all cleaned up.

**Public Comments:** none

**Approval of the Previous Month’s Regular Minutes:** Trustee Farrington made a motion to approve the previous month’s minutes seconded by Trustee Russell. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**Approval of Accounts Payable:** Motion made by Trustee Randall to accept the Accounts Payable Report, Seconded by Trustee Eavey. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**Approval of Accounts Treasurer’s Report:** A motion was made by Trustee Eavey to accept the Treasurer’s Report, Seconded by Trustee Farrington. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented.**

**DPW Report:** Superintendent Randall reported that they were busy with clean up from the storm still. The outcome from that storm brings 6 or 7 trees that need to be cut down. They are also catching up on mowing.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Streets, Water/Sewer & Fire Committee:** Trustee Spearling stated that we are on the calendar with Ionia County for crack sealing. Hopefully the end of this week they make get started. Jon Moxey will be here this coming Friday for a meeting regarding Tabor St.

**Finance & Grants Committee:** Chairperson Randall  
Nothing to report

**Ordinance Committee:** Chairperson Russell  
Trustee Russell reported that the health dept finally got involved with the resident living on the empty lot in a tent. She has 30 days to move. One letter went out today for mowing violation.

**Personnel Committee:** Chairman Farrington  
Chairman Farrington reported that the Health Ins was looked into. Unfortunately, with only one person now on insurance there isn’t much we can do. Will revisit at midyear. He talked about the replacement of the second full time DPW employee. The personnel committee would like to interview Cody Averill for that position. Chairman Farrington also brought up the idea of a cost-of-living raise of 4%. He wants to show gratitude. He reported that the DPW received their computer back last week, however they don’t have it hooked up yet. Chairman Farrington said

he would like to call for a Special Council Meeting to go over the above-mentioned personnel items sometime this week.

**Parks & Recreation Committee:** Chairperson Priest  
No report

**DDA:** Chairperson Irey –  
Chairperson Irey reported that they are have a meeting next week to hold elections.

**Events Committee:** Chairperson Priest  
No report

**Council Comments:** None

**Unfinished Business:**  
Roof repair: nothing new. Trustee Farrington will get ahold of Sonya and Lance to see what is happening.

**Correspondence:**  
MML liability and property pool renewal was presented. Trustee Farrington made a motion to accept the proposal, seconded by Trustee Eavey. **Motion was carried by voice vote, as presented**

**New Business** None

**Other Comments**  
None

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Russell seconded by Trustee Randall to adjourn the meeting at 6:23p.m. **Motion was carried by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Ann Schueller, Village Clerk