

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, September 24, 2007**

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| 1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, September 24, 2007, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 111 E. Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding.  | <b>Meeting Convened</b>  |
| 2. Present: Plaszcak, Richardson, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Basinger. Excused Larcinese. Also present: Village Clerk Christopher Tapper, Department of Public Services Director John Small and Village Manager Larry Nielsen. | <b>Members Present</b>   |
| 3. Others present: Debra Klinger, Charles, Lois and Douglas Craddock, Carol Erickson, Nancy Vann, Avis Fooy, Ken Butler, Joseph Le Mathieu and other unidentified persons.   |  |
| 4. Motion by Rohr, supported by Richardson, to approve the corrected September 10, 2007 minutes of the regular meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  | <b>Approved Minutes</b>  |
| 5. Motion by McIntosh, supported Rohr, to approve claims in the amount of \$467,492.80. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next accounts payable Basinger and Richardson  | <b>Accounts Payable</b>  |
| 6. Mr. and Mrs. Craddock (412 Harris Street) were in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.  | <b>Presentation and<br/>Guests<br/>Mr. and Mrs.<br/>Charles Craddock<br/>Doug Craddock</b> |
| 7. Doug Craddock (620 Ridge Lane) was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.  |  |
| 8. Carol Erickson (214 Willard Street) was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.   | <b>Carol Erickson</b>  |
| 9. Nancy Vann (516 Lake Blv.) was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.  | <b>Nancy Vann</b>  |
| 10. Avis Fooy (423 Miller Street) was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.  | <b>Avis Fooy</b>   |
| 11. Wilhelmi commented, the communities of Bangor, Decatur and Berrien Springs had adopted ordinances similar to the one Council was considering.  |  |

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12. Richardson commented on the survey which was sent out last year. Richardson felt the survey was not clear in the questions it had asked.
13. McIntosh stated consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor has been in the works for about two years. McIntosh commented the Council would not proceed without public comments and opinions.
14. Council members and Nielsen thanked all for attending and asking questions. Nielsen is gathering information which may help residents and Council members determine benefits, if any of a single source contractor for residential trash and rubbish removal. Information will be shared with all in November 2007.
15. Plaszczak thanked everyone for attending and for their comments.
16. Motion by Rohr, supported by McIntosh to approve the request from Domestic Violence Coalition of, Van Buren County recognizing them as a nonprofit organization operating in the community such allows Domestic Violence Coalition obtain charitable gaming licenses. All members present voting yes, motion carried. **Resolution for Domestic Violence Coalition, Gaming License**
17. Basinger reported the Finance and Administrative committee had met before the Council meeting. The Committee reviewed Wine and Harvest Festival financial statements. The committee also reviewed the last ordinance the Village adopted regarding the Wine and harvest Festival. Basinger felt the festival was a success and looked forward to the 2008 festival. **Committee Reports Finance – Wine and Harvest**
18. The Finance and Administrative committee reviewed reports Nielsen prepared regarding Coca-Cola North America and potential threats to the village wells.
19. The Finance and Administrative committee also reviewed a proposed agreement with the County for County Park located downtown Paw Paw.
20. Wilhelmi reported the Public Services Committee reviewed the bids received on Maple Lake Dam wing wall chip and cap bids. **DPS**
21. Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Rohr, to accepted the bid of J.W. Yarbrough to repair the wing walls on Maple Lake Dam **J.W. Yarbrough Maple Lake Dam**

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for a not to exceed price of \$3080.00. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**wing wall chip and cap**

22. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Basinger to authorize the Village Manger to solicit quotations for Village trash and rubbish removal services. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Trash and Rubbish authorize to solicit quotations**

23. Plaszczak reported the DDA held a meeting on September 17, 2007. The committee discussed; Harvest Moon Madness, new P/A system for the downtown area, a grant for the new OnTrak system for the downtown area. Plaszczak concluded stating the committee approved claims in the amount of \$896.40.

**DDA**

24. Wilhelmi commented on the Christmas light decoration contest. Wilhelmi commented ~~Park and Recreation committee~~ was correction 10/8/07 he looking for suggestions on more participation.

**Council Comment  
Wayne**

**Plaszczak**

25. Plaszczak commented on the Van Buren County economic summit, a meeting he and Nielsen had with State Rep. Tonya Schuitmaker, the opening of Keystone Bank and the workshop session October 1, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Plaszczak concluded stating he also had a chance to speak with US Congressmen Fred Upton.

26. Plaszczak updated Council on the new library project. Plaszczak commented the Library Board elected not to use the property the Village donated, due to the cost of construction on the property.

**Close Session**

27. Motion by Basinger, supported by Rohr, to end regular business session at 8:47 p.m. and to enter in executive session consider purchase or lease of real estate property. Roll call vote:  
Yeas: Plaszczak, Richardson, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Basinger  
Nays: None  
Excused: Larcinese. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Reopen Session**

28. Motion by Basinger, supported by Richardson to reopen session at 9:32 p.m.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Yeas: Plaszczak, Richardson, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Basinger.

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Nays: None

Excused: Larcinese. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Adjournment**

29. Motion by Basinger, supported by Rohr to adjourn meeting at 9:35 p.m. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak

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Village Clerk  
Christopher Tapper