

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, October 22, 2007**

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, October 22, 2007, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 111 E. Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding. **Meeting Convened**
2. Present: Plaszcak, Richardson, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Basinger. Excused Larcinese. Also present: Village Clerk Christopher Tapper, Department of Public Services Director John Small, Police Chief Patrick Alspaugh and Village Manager Larry Nielsen. **Members Present**
3. Others present: Debra Klinger Paw Paw Courier Leader
4. Motion by Basinger, supported by Rohr, to approve amended October 8, 2007 minutes of the regular meeting. All members present voting yes, Richardson abstaining, motion carried. **Approved Minutes**
5. Motion by McIntosh, supported Rohr, to approve the amended claims in the amount of \$456,651.09. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next accounts payable Richardson and Larcinese. **Accounts Payable**
6. The consensus of the Council was to amend the claims due to the approval of the installation of the heating and cooling system provided by Bel-Aire Heating and Cooling. Small and Nielsen to follow up with Bel-Aire regarding the installation.
7. Motion by Rohr, supported by McIntosh to accept the request of the Paw Paw Chamber of Commerce to close; Michigan Avenue between Gremps and Niles Streets, while allowing through traffic on Kalamazoo Street, and suspend the Noise Ordinance between the hours of 6:00 p.m. through 10:00 p.m on October 26, 2007. All members present voting yes, motion carried. **Harvest Moon Madness Street Closing**
8. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Basinger to accept the request of the Downtown Development Authority to close Main Street between Dyckman and Michigan; Michigan Avenue between Main and Gremps Street; and Gremps Streets between Michigan and Berrien Streets between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on December 1, 2007 and allowing the Police Department and Department of Public Works staff to assist with traffic control during the parade, approximately one hour. All members present voting yes, motion carried. **Christmas Parade Street Closing**
9. Motion by Rohr, supported by Wilhelmi to approve the resolution and grant general and police retired employees a 2% increase in retiree benefits for a total cost of \$50,976.00 with such cost being paid by lump sum and amortized over the years by active employee payroll contributions. The increase will be Traditional E. option. All members present voting yes, motion carried. **MERS Increase for Retirees for 2007**
10. Basinger reported the Finance and Administration committee had approved the carpets to be cleaned at Village Hall. The bid was approved from Two Moms and a Mop. The committee also discussed the replacement of front and rear doors at Village Hall. The committee is requesting more information before processing with the bid process. The committee also decided to wait until next fiscal year to look at replacing the windows at Village Hall. **Committee Reports Finance and Administration**
11. Plaszcak reported the DDA committee had approved claims in the amount of \$1246.00. The committee also made a site appearance at the Carnegie Center on Friday October 19, 2007 to discuss the Center as a possible new location for the Chamber and the DDA office. **DDA**
12. Rohr reported the Housing Commission was having its yearly audit completed. The Commission was looking into the five year plan of its facilities. The Commission also set **Housing Commission**

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a dinner gathering on December 17, 2007.

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| 13. Plaszcak reminded Council the Revolving Loan Board has a meeting October 24, 2007 at 4:00 at Village Hall.   | <b>RLF</b>                           |
| 14. Plaszcak thanked all of the volunteers who turned out for the Maple Lake cleanup on October 21. Plaszcak reminded everyone there is going to be a second gathering on October 27, 2007 all persons interested please meet at the boat landing 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. Plaszcak thanked the Greater Paw Paw Chamber of Commerce for a wonderful dinner that was held on October 9, 2007. | <b>Council Comments<br/>Plaszcak</b> |
| 15. McIntosh commented on the Chamber dinner. McIntosh expressed how proud she was to live in the community were the 2007 volunteer of the year lived. McIntosh thanked Janet Clough for all of her hard work and dedication thought out the years living in the Village of Paw Paw.   | <b>McIntosh</b>                      |
| 16. Wilhelmi asked for an update of the Reed City suit. Nielsen responded Reed City was going to settle with the Village and pay to have electric poles refurbished by Custom Coating, also as part of the refurbishing the warranties were extended.  | <b>Wilhelmi</b>                      |
| 17. Nielsen reminded Council of the November 7, 2007 MERS insurance workshop meeting.  | <b>Village Manager</b>               |
| 18. Motion by McIntosh supported by Richardson to adjourn meeting at 8:20 p.m. All members present voting yes, motion carried.   | <b>Adjournment</b>                   |

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,  
Roman Plaszcak

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Village Clerk  
Christopher Tapper