

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, November 12, 2007**

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| <p>1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, November 12, 2007, convened at 7:31 p.m. at 111 E. Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.</p>   | <p><b>Meeting Convened</b></p>               |
| <p>2. Present: Plaszczak, Richardson, Larcinese, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Basinger. Also present: Village Clerk Christopher Tapper, Department of Public Services Director John Small, Police Chief Patrick Alspaugh and Village Manager Larry Nielsen.</p>  | <p><b>Members Present</b></p>                |
| <p>3. Others present: Debra Klinger Paw Paw Courier Leader, Jay Woodhams Best Way Disposal, Earnest Smith, Jeff Brown, Charles and Douglas Craddock, Nancy Van, Marvin Barnes, Cherrie Glidden and other unidentified persons.</p>   | <p><b>Approved Minutes</b></p>               |
| <p>4. Motion by Basinger, supported by Rohr, to approve October 22, 2007 minutes of the regular meeting. All members present voting yes, Larcinese abstaining, motion carried.</p>   | <p><b>Accounts Payable</b></p>               |
| <p>5. Motion by Richardson, supported Larcinese, to approve the amended claims in the amount of \$690,892.02. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next accounts payable Wilhelmi and Rohr.</p>   |  |
| <p>6. Plaszczak informed the audience members, regarding the consideration of contracted waste services what phase the Village of Paw Paw was working on. Plaszczak explained the Village Council was not making any decisions tonight regarding the waste service and would not until the processes had been concluded and hearing public comment. Plaszczak thanked all audience members for attending and looked forward to hearing public comment.</p> | <p><b>Comments from Audience Members</b></p> |
| <p>7. Woodhams was in attendance to oppose the Village of Paw Paw considering a contracted waste service. Woodhams thanked Council for the opportunity to speak and looked forward to working with the Village of Paw Paw regarding this consideration.</p>  | <p><b>Jay Woodhams</b></p>                   |
| <p>8. Smith was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.</p>  | <p><b>Earnest Harvey Smith</b></p>           |
| <p>9. Brown was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.</p>  | <p><b>Jeff Brown</b></p>                     |
| <p>10. Glidden was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.</p>   | <p><b>Cherrie Glidden</b></p>                |
| <p>11. Charles and Douglas Craddock were in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.</p>   | <p><b>Charles and Douglas Craddock</b></p>   |
| <p>12. Van was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.</p>   | <p><b>Nancy Van</b></p>                      |
| <p>13. Barnes was in attendance to ask questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor.</p>  | <p><b>Marv Barnes</b></p>                    |

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- 14.** Several other unidentified persons asked questions and listen to consideration of a single source trash and rubbish removal contractor. Correction 11/26/07
- 15.** Council thanked all audience members for ~~there~~ correction 11/26/07 their questions and comments on the consideration of contract waste service.
- 16.** Larcinese reported on the purposed agreement of fire coverage in Township of Paw Paw, Township of Waverly, Township of Alma, ~~Township of Antwerp and Village of Paw Paw~~ correction 11/26/07. Plaszczak questioned section 13 of the purposed agreement; he would like to see language changed and add the language changes in an addendum. The consensus of the Council was to review the changes in language at the next Council meeting Monday November 26, 2007.
- 17.** Motion by McIntosh, supported by Rohr to waiver the ban on opening burning on Friday evening, November 30, 2007 and allow the DDA to have burning barrels for events associated with the 'Christmas in the Village' program. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
- 18.** Nielsen presented the recommendation regarding the request to vacated Catalpa and Sycamore Street from Attorney Pages findings. The consensus of the Council was to wait until the residents requesting the vacating of Catalpa and Sycamore Street were present before making a motion.
- 19.** Nielsen asked Council to allow updated information from tonight meeting on suggested citizen survey before sending out the draft to citizens. The consensus of the Council was to send out surveys via mailing in utility billings and to hold a public forum on Wednesday, December 5, 2007 at 7:30 p.m at Paw Paw Township Hall.
- 20.** Basinger reported the Finance and Administration Committee met before the Council meeting to discuss a ~~personal~~ correction 11/26/07 personnel matter and discussed new doors for Village Hall. Basinger recommended an estimate from Cross Aluminum Products for replacement of front and rear doors at Village Hall. McIntosh questioned if the Committee had included a ~~handy cap~~ correction 11/26/07 handicap accessible option on the rear door. Basinger responded the Committee would reconsider the estimates provided and ~~begin~~ correction 11/26/07 report back to Council.
- 21.** Wilhelmi reported the Parks and Recreation Committee met with representatives regarding Kids Paradise project. Wilhelmi also commented on, Briggs Pond, the Committee was discussing testing the pond again to determine if the project from last year helped the overall evaluation of the pond. Wilhelmi concluded discussing, the lowering of Maple Lake was a great help to the residents who live on the lake and the Parks and Recreation Committee would suggest lowering the lake again next year.
- 22.** Plaszczak reported the DDA's next meeting Monday November 19, 2007 at 5:30 p.m
- 23.** Larcinese commented on the Fire Departments continue training

**New Business  
5-Unit Fire Agreement**

**DDA Request Re:  
Christmas in the Village of  
Paw Paw**

**Ongoing Business  
Vacating Catalpa &  
Sycamore**

**Trash and Rubbish  
Discussion**

**Committee Reports  
Finance and  
Administration**

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for its members.

24. Plaszczak reported the Revolving Loan committee met last week and finalized the Wechter Guitars loan. **RLF**
25. Nielsen reported the Wine & Harvest Festival Committee ~~meet~~ **Wine & Harvest**  
~~correction 11/26/07~~ met last week and the Committee approved five new members to the Committee.
26. Plaszczak reported the Maple Lake Association has ~~invented~~ **Council Comments**  
~~correction 11/26/07~~ invited Council, staff and other employees of Plaszczak  
the Village to a holiday gathering Thursday December 6, 2007 at 6:30 at LaCantina, Monday, November 19, 2007 at 7:00 workshop session on health insurance and reminded Council of the change in venue to Paw Paw Township Hall for the upcoming workshops and Council meetings.
27. Larcinese commented he would like to see health insurance **Larcinese**  
information before going into the workshop session. Larcinese stated he would like to see the reports on the studies done on the dredging of Briggs Pond and Maple Lake before he would approve more studies to be done. Larcinese stated he did not want in house studies done, he wanted an outside option.
28. Motion by Basinger, supported by Richardson to in enter into **Executive Session**  
Executive Session at 9:26 p.m to discuss collective bargaining. Roll call vote: yeas; Plaszczak, Richardson, Larcinese, Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Basinger. Motion carried.
29. Motion by Larcinese, supported by McIntosh, for a roll call vote to **Re-Open Session**  
end the closed session meeting and rener open session at 9:50. Roll Call Vote:  
Yeas: Rohr, Wilhelmi, McIntosh, Basinger, Plaszczak, Richardson and Larcinese.  
Nays: None.  
Motion carried.
30. Motion by Rohr supported by Wilhelmi to adjourn meeting at 9:51 **Adjournment**  
p.m. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
31. Respectfully submitted:
32. Village President, Village Clerk
33. Roman Plaszczak Christopher Tapper