

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, January 14, 2008**

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| 1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, January 14, 2008, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 111 E. Michigan Ave, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding. | Meeting Convened |
| 2. Present: Plaszcak, Larcinese, Rohr, McIntosh, Basinger and Wilhelmi. Excused Richardson. Also present: Village Clerk Christopher Tapper, Department of Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police Patrick Alspaugh and Village Manager Larry Nielsen. | Members Present |
| 3. Motion by Basinger, supported by Wilhelmi, to approve the corrected December 27, 2007 minutes of the regular meeting. All members present voting yes, McIntosh and Rohr abstaining, motion carried. | Approved Minutes |
| 4. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Wilhelmi, to approve the December 5, 2007 minutes of the workshop session. All members present voting yes, Rohr abstaining, motion carried. | |
| 5. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Rohr, to approve the December 11, 2007 minutes of the special meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. | |
| 6. Motion by Rohr, supported by Wilhelmi, to approve accounts payable for \$446,424.15 as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried. | Accounts Payable |
| 7. Plaszcak thanked all residents who participated in the Christmas Light Decorating Contest. Plaszcak presented Marvin Barnes with a certificate of recognition for first place in the annual Christmas Light Decorating Contest. Plaszcak also thanked the second and third place winners and advised staff to mail the certificates of recognition. The second place winner Maureen Strand and third place winner Dustin and Penny Sides. | Presentation and
Guest
Residents |
| 8. Plaszcak thanked all local business who participated in the Christmas Light Decoration Contest. First place winner, OnTrak Communications, 114 South Kalamazoo Street, second place winner, The Party Wagon, 232 East Michigan Avenue and the third place winner, The Paw Paw District Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue. | Businesses |
| 9. Nielsen presented to Council a proposed ordinance which would allow designated downtown parking. Nielsen commented on reasoning behind the proposed ordinance. Nielsen explained the difficulties of parking overnight in the downtown district. | New Business
Proposed Ordinance
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| 10. The consensus of the Council was to review after changes were made and allow the Downtown Development Authority to review the proposal. Nielsen to represent after allowing the DDA to review. | |

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| 11. Nielsen presented to Council discussion material on the Village of Paw Paw's master plan update. Nielsen commented the Planning Commission and the Downtown Development Authority are scheduled to also discuss the updates and the proposals should be submitted at their next meetings. | Consideration of the Master Plan Update |
| 12. Plaszczak thanked Nielsen for information provided to Council. Plaszczak stated the last Village of Paw Paw Master Plan was completed ten years ago and a usual life of a Master Plan is ten years. | |
| 13. The consensus of the Council was to review submitted proposals and allow the Planning Commission and DDA to respond to the submitted proposals. Nielsen to represent after allowing the Planning Commission and DDA to review. | |
| 14. Plaszczak reminded Council of the Public Hearing scheduled for January 28, 2008. | Ongoing Business
5 Year Recreation Plan |
| 15. Plaszczak reminded Council of the Public Hearing scheduled for February 11, 2008. | Codification of Village Ordinances |
| 16. McIntosh reported the Department of Public Service Committee had met before tonight's Council meeting. The Committee discussed promotion of "Ride for Kids" fundraiser on behalf of the Kids Paradise. The Committee also discussed updated reports on proposed dredging of Briggs Pond. | Committee Reports
Department of Public Services |
| 17. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Rohr, to recognize the Department of Public Service Committee request to recognize the "Ride for Kids" Committee and approve their use of Tyler Field for such an activity, with contingences the Ride for Kids Committee submit Committee names to the Village of Paw Paw for insurance coverage of the event. All members present voting yes, motion carried. | Ride for Kids Fundraiser |
| 18. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Rohr, to allow staff to solicit bids for the preparation work to be done at Briggs Pond, the bids are needed to apply for permits on the project. All members present voting yes, motion carried. | Soliciting of Bids for Briggs Pond |
| 19. Wilhelmi reported the Parks and Receptions Committee had met January 7, 2008. Wilhelmi updated the Council on the on going discussion with residents along State Street. Some of the residents are concerned regarding letters sent from Department of Public Services with reference to the survey that was completed on Tyler Field. | Parks and Receptions |
| 20. Plaszczak stated the next DDA meeting was to be held January 21, 2008 at 5:30. Plaszczak commented on the memorandum of understanding drafted by Nielsen. The memorandum is a drafted revision of agreement for the use of the Carnegie Center. | DDA |

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| 21. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Rohr to allow Village President to review draft changes and to authorize agreement between the DDA and Greater Paw Paw Chamber of Commerce for the use of the Carnegie Center. | Carnegie Center Agreement |
| 22. Larcinese reported the Fire District Board met January 8, 2008. Larcinese stated for the year 2007 the department responded to 288 calls. Larcinese commented on approval of 2008/2009 budget, changes with signatures on bank accounts and special provisions regarding Antwerp Township. | Fire District |
| 23. Rohr stated the Housing Commission was meeting January 21, 2008. | Housing Board |
| 24. Plaszczyk stated the Revolving Loan Board was meeting February 2008. | RLF |
| 25. Plaszczyk reported for Richardson. Plaszczyk reported the Wine and Harvest Festival Committee met January 2, 2008. Plaszczyk commented the Committee was working on finishing budget for 2008-2009. The question of replacing the director of the Wine and Harvest was discussed. Nielsen added the committee had approved a job description for the position and was currently looking for a new director. Plaszczyk concluded the Village possibly could pursue hiring a part time events coordinator which could work in conjunction with the events the DDA and Chamber. | Wine and Harvest Festival |
| 26. Plaszczyk commented on a meeting he and Nielsen had with one of US Congressmen Fred Upton's aids. Plaszczyk stated the goal of the meeting was to see if any federal grants would be available for the various projects the Village was working on. | Council Comments Plaszczyk |
| 27. McIntosh commented on an email she had received regarding a story about a senior citizen who had past away because of her electricity being shut off during the winter months. | McIntosh |
| 28. Basinger asked Small if he knew of any information regarding Consumers Energy working on replacing gas mains. Small responded Consumers Energy tries to replace as many gas mains as they can. | Basinger |
| 29. Nielsen reminded Council about workshop session January 21, 2008. | Village Manager |
| 30. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Larcinese to enter into executive session at 9:05 p.m. to discuss items related to labor negotiation with Police and Public service employee's roll call vote: Basinger, Plaszczyk, Larcinese, Rohr, Wilhelmi and McIntosh voting yes, motion carried. | Motion to enter into Executive Session |
| 31. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Larcinese, to exit executive session at 10:00 p.m roll call vote: Basinger, Plaszczyk, Larcinese, Rohr, Wilhelmi and McIntosh voting yes, motion carried. | Motion to exit Executive Session |

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32. Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Larcinese to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk
Christopher Tapper