

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, May 12, 2008**

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| 1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, May 12, 2008, convened at 7:32 p.m. at 114 S. Gremps, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding. | Meeting Convened |
| 2. Present: Plaszcak, Basinger, Larcinese, Rohr, and Wilhelmi. Excused McIntosh. Also present: Village Clerk Christopher Tapper and Village Manager Larry Nielsen. | Members Present |
| 3. Motion by Rohr, supported by Wilhelmi, to approve the corrected April 28, 2008 minutes of the regular meeting. All members present voting yes, Larcinese abstaining, motion carried. | Approved Minutes |
| 4. Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Plaszcak to approve the special meeting of May 5, 2008. All members present voting yes, motion carried. | |
| 5. Motion by Basinger, supported by Rohr, to approve accounts payable for \$427,302.28 as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Wilhelmi and Larcinese. | Accounts Payable |
| 6. Brian Stump stated he and his wife were in the audience this evening to comment on the ongoing water quality testing being done by Coca-Cola North American and the Village of Paw Paw around the Hidden Lane and Paw Paw Road areas. Stump made reference to research he had collected on Jennings Drain and Gates Drain. Stump also referenced information he had received from CCNA concerning water testing in 1986. Stump concluded he wanted to see CCNA, Paw Paw Township and the Village of Paw Paw work together to help answer questions the residents of Hidden Lane and the surrounding area had regarding water quality testing. | Comments from
Audience Members
Brain Stump, Hidden
Lane |
| 7. Basinger reported to the Council the Finance and Administration committee had reviewed the drafted Housing Assistance Grant Program earlier this evening. Basinger reported the budgeted funds for the pilot program are \$25,000. Larcinese commented on some of the allowed uses of the funds and noted the changes the committee discussed. Consensus of the Council was to allow Nielsen to make changes to the draft and present to Council at the next meeting. | New Business Review
of Housing
Assistance Grant
Program |
| 8. Basinger reported he and Rohr reviewed four applications for the Council vacancy left by Steve Richardson. Basinger noted the appointment would be until November 2008. The person appointed would be able to run for election through the proper election process and would finish out Richardson's term through 2010. The four candidates; Douglas Craddock, George Kolosar, Dennis Myers and Michael Pioch. Basinger concluded it was the recommendation of both he and Rohr to appoint Michael Pioch. | Review Candidates
for Council Vacancy |
| 9. Motion by Rohr, supported by Basinger, to approve the appointment of | Appointment of Mike |

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| Michael Pioch to fill the vacancy left by Steven Richardson. Roll call vote: Wilhelmi, McIntosh, Basinger, Plaszczak, Larcinese, Rohr, voting yes, motion carried. | Pioch to Council |
| 10. Basinger asked Nielsen to prepare letters to thank the three candidates for taking the time and sending letters and applications. Plaszczak reminded the public of the three vacancies on the Village of Paw Paw Zoning Board of Appeals. Plaszczak added the Council had five seats up for election this November and any of the three candidates could run for one of those seats. | |
| 11. Nielsen presented the copy of the agreement between the Village of Paw Paw and LSL Planning. Nielsen commented he only had one change and that was to change the reference to the "Village Engineer" to read "Village Manager and/or DPS Director." | Ongoing Business
Master Plan
Agreement LSL
Planning |
| 12. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Rohr, to authorize the agreement between the Village of Paw Paw and LSL Planning to allow the planning process to begin. Roll call vote: Rohr, Basinger, Plaszczak, Larcinese voting yes, Wilhelmi no, motion carried. | LSL Planning
Agreement |
| 13. Plaszczak reported the Mayor Exchange schedule was set. The exchange would include the City of Hudson and the schedule is as follows; May 14, 2008 Village of Paw Paw representatives will be visiting the City of Hudson and May 21, 2008 City of Hudson representatives will be visiting the Village of Paw Paw. Members of Council to contact Nielsen with regards to business schedules. | Mayor & Village
Presidents Exchange |
| 14. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Basinger, to authorize allowing dogs to run free (no leash) between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Monday through Friday on Maple Island for the purpose of controlling the geese population. | Maple Island Geese
Control |
| 15. Nielsen noted he would follow up with the Garden Club regarding the non-toxic deterrent and planting of vegetation buffer strip along some areas of the shoreline. | |
| 16. Basinger again noted the Finance and Administration met before tonight's Council meeting items discussed; 2007-2008 audit and reviewed the Housing Assistance Grant Program. | Committee Reports
Finance &
Administration |
| 17. No report. Next meeting June 9, 2008. | DPS |
| 18. No report. Next meeting May 19, 2008. | DDA |
| 19. No report. Next meeting May 13, 2008. | Fire Board |
| 20. No report | Historical |

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| 21. No report | Housing Commission |
| 22. No report | RLF |
| 23. Plaszczyk reported the committee had met and reviewed financial statements and was moving forward with 2008 festival plans. Plaszczyk commented he was very impressed with the communication new board and the new director shared. | Wine and Harvest |
| 24. Wilhelmi reported the Parks and Recreation committee met May 5, 2008. Items discussed; Tyler Field fence discussion, Van Buren County Drain Commission extending Gates Drain to include Briggs Pond and Kids Paradise project starting this week. | Parks & Recreation |
| 25. Plaszczyk commented on the award John Small, Department of Public Services Director was receiving from the Greater Paw Paw Chamber of Commerce. Plaszczyk concluded stating he was looking forward to the start of the Kids Paradise project and wanted to thank the committee and all the hard work and efforts volunteers had done raising the needed funds to build the playground. | Council Comments
Plaszczyk |
| 26. Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Larcinese, to reschedule the Village Council meeting set for May 26, 2007 to May 27, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at Paw Paw Township Hall. All members present voting yes, motion carried. | Reschedule Village
Council meeting |
| 27. Larcinese commented he would like to see the DDA and Chamber try and advertise Paw Paw as a place to film movies. Larcinese commented on the state promotions and grants available for out of state movie writers to come to Michigan and film movies. Larcinese commented on the long term tourism affect this could have on the Paw Paw area. | Larcinese |
| 28. Nielsen commented on the DDA and Chamber award dinner that was taking place this evening at LaCantina. | Village Manager
Comments |
| 29. Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Larcinese, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m. | Adjournment |

Respectfully submitted:

Village President
Roman Plaszczyk

Village Clerk,
Christopher Tapper