

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, April 13, 2009**

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| 1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, April 13, 2009, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 114 S. Gremps, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding.   | <b>Meeting Convened</b>                                      |
| 2. Present: Plaszcak, Basinger, Rohr, Pioch Wilhelmi and Larcinese. Excused: McIntosh. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.   | <b>Members Present</b>                                       |
| 3. Plaszcak asking Basinger to preside the meeting due to laryngitis.  |  |
| 4. Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr, to approve the corrected March 23, 2009 minutes of the regular meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  | <b>Approved Minutes</b>                                      |
| 5. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Pioch, to approve accounts payable for \$437,888.95 as presented. Wilhelmi questioning claim number 27247. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Basinger and Rohr (4-27-09). Following claims Wilhelmi and McIntosh (5-11-09)  | <b>Accounts Payable</b>                                      |
| 6. Basinger noted there was no public hearing scheduled for the meeting.   | <b>Public Hearing</b>  |
| 7. Nielsen provided a power point presentation on the economic impact of the water quality in the Village of Paw Paw. The presentation included the following discussion items; why care about watershed & water quality, sediment is a pollutant, damage that is expensive to correct, importance of good soil management, water quality & property value, we're responsible for the quality of our watershed and how to make a difference. | <b>Presentations &amp; Guests- Nielsen</b>                   |
| 8. Nielsen commented on the development of the Maple Lake & Natural Resource and Environment Committee and how the committee would be addressing questions, comments and concerns dealing with the quality of water and the impact on the Village of Paw Paw. Nielsen thanked several members of the committee for attending and for the positive feed back.   |  |
| 9. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Pioch to approve and accept the request from the Paw Paw Area Rotary to close North Gremps Street between Michigan Ave and Elm between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:00 pm on Saturday, September 12, 2009 as part of the annual Wine and Harvest Festival. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  | <b>New Business<br/>Street Closing<br/>9-12-09 Gremps St</b> |
| 10. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Rohr to approve and accept the appointment of Scott Chartier, Cut it Out Scrap Book Supplies term ending March 31, 2011 and Sid Shank, Bloomingdale Communications term ending March 31, 2010. Chartier replacing Patrick Brennen and Shank replacing Courtney Buhl. All members present voting yes, motion carried.   | <b>Appointments DDA<br/>Chartier &amp; Shank</b>             |

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| 11. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Wilhelmi to approve and accept the 2009 Housing Assistance Grant Program to be promoted within the Village of Paw Paw as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  | <b>Ongoing Business<br/>2009 Housing Grant<br/>Program</b>                             |
| 12. Nielsen presented to the Council a memo dated 4-10-09 titled Hasting Street Pond. Nielsen commented he had met with John Small, Director, Department of Public Services and Todd Richter of Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering and had a site inspection of the pond. Comments included; the pond was constructed retention basin with no direct outlet, the pond was filled with cattails and other wetland vegetation, the pond according to the MDEQ website shows up as designated wetland and before the Village could move forward with resident complaints would need to work with MDEQ. | <b>Hastings Street</b>   |
| 13. The consensus of the Council was to have Nielsen continue and start review with the MDEQ and research history documentation from the Department of Public Services and the MDEQ regarding the Hastings Street Pond. Nielsen to report back to Council finds.   |  |
| 14. Nielsen presented to the Council a memo dated 4-10-09 titled M-40 Open House. Nielsen commented the open house was scheduled for April 28, 2009 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Paw Paw Township Hall located at 114 North Gremps Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079. The open house will include discussion and comments on the conversion from 4 to 3 lanes on North Kalamazoo Street between St. Joseph and Power Plant Road (51 <sup>st</sup> Avenue).   | <b>Open House<br/>MDOT M-40</b>  |
| 15. Motion by Pioch, supported by Larcinese to approve the Village Manager to continue the pursuit of ARRA funding for the East Michigan Avenue street project and approve the funding sources. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  | <b>ARRA Funding for<br/>the East Michigan<br/>Ave project</b>                          |
| 16. A general discussion ensued regarding the Finance and Administration Committee discussion topic of non-union employee pay increases. Basinger stated the committee reviewed a memo from Nielsen regarding the non-union employees. The consensus of the Council was to grant a pooled one and half percent pay increase for non-union employees leaving discretion to Village Manager on final outcome. Nielsen to provide final report to Council.  | <b>Committee Reports<br/>Finance &amp;<br/>Administration<br/>Non-union discussion</b> |
| 17. No report.   | <b>Public Services</b>   |
| 18. No report.   | <b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>  |
| 19. No report.   | <b>Tyler Field Dev</b>   |
| 20. No report  | <b>DDA</b>   |
| 21. No report.   | <b>Fire Board</b>  |

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| 22. No report  | <b>Historical Commission</b>          |
| 23. No report  | <b>Housing Commission</b>             |
| 24. No report.   | <b>RLF</b>                            |
| 25. No report.   | <b>PPW&amp;HF</b>                     |
| 26. Larcinese reported the Maple Lake and Natural Resource & Environment Committee met April 2, 2009. Agenda items included; welcome & introductions from committee members, Gates Drain update, Sediment options, nutrient loading, shoreline plans, building a coalition for management plan and next meeting date of April 30, 2009 at 4:00 pm at Village Hall. | <b>Maple Lake<br/>&amp; NR &amp;E</b> |
| 27. Wilhelmi commented on the proposed ordinance 419 Outdoor & Open Burn Ordinance. Wilhelmi questioned section six articles (d) and opened the floor for discussion on language interpretation. Nielsen noting the public hearing would be held April 27, 2009 at Paw Paw Township Hall and would be glad to reflect changes as needed.                           | <b>Council Comments<br/>Wilhelmi</b>  |
| 28. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Pioch, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.  | <b>Adjournment</b>                    |

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President  
Roman Plaszczak

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Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper