

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, August 14, 2023**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, August 14, 2023, convened at 7:00p.m. at the Paw Paw District Library, Community Room. President Plaszcak presiding.

**Meeting Convened**

Present: President Plaszcak and President Pro-tem Douglas Craddock and Trustees Steve Richardson, Nadine Jarvis (excused), Nicolas Martinez, Ashley Nottingham (excused), and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Will Joseph, Village Clerk Karla Tacy, Department of Public Services Director Tim Brandys, Chief of Police Eric Marshall and Lt. Eric Rottman.

**Members Present**

Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the agenda as presented with the adjustment of moving Action Item #7 Wine & Harvest Fireworks to #1. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 24, 2023. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Craddock with support from Rohr to approve claims for Monday, August 14, 2023, in the amount of \$1,238,384.30. All members voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Claims**

Debra Klinger of 202 Liberty St, believes her neighbors are pumping water into her yard.

**Audience  
Participation**

Nancy Kolka, resident of the Miller Court Apartments, is concerned with the recent increase in cost to do laundry in the building facilities.

**Council Member  
Comments  
Rohr**

Trustee Rohr would like to have a meeting with Manager Joseph and DPS Director Brandys regarding the Housing Commission's water and sewer bills.

Trustee Craddock congratulated Lt. Rottman on his recent water rescue in Ludington. Craddock thanked Chief Marshall for his great service to the Paw Paw Police Department in respect to his upcoming retirement.

**Craddock**

A special meeting will be held Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Village Hall, to further discuss the presented Wine & Harvest Festival fireworks permit and contract.

**Action Items:  
Wine & Harvest  
Festival Fireworks  
Permit and Contract**

Motion by Rohr with support from Martinez to allow the placement of a lending library on Village property, adjacent to Village Hall and have DPS staff complete the installation. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Lending Library  
Request**

Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve a pay request for the DWSRF project in the amount of \$86,657.25. Roll Call Vote: Richardson, Rohr, Craddock, Plaszcak and Martinez voting yes, motion carried.

**DWSRF Payment  
Request**

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Motion by Rohr with support from Richardson to approve a pay request for the CWSRF project in the amount of \$356,949.45. Roll Call Vote: Richardson, Rohr, Craddock, Plaszcak and Martinez voting yes, motion carried.

**CWSRF Payment Request**

Motion by Martinez with support by Richardson to approve the purchase of the Steel Green SG4650 snow removal equipment from Advanced Turf Solutions, for an amount not to exceed \$21,120.00. Roll Call Vote: Martinez, Plaszcak, Craddock, Rohr and Richardson voting yes, motion carried.

**Snow Removal Equipment Purchase**

Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the MPPA power purchase commitment for an amount not to exceed \$1,704,499.20. Roll Call Vote: Martinez, Plaszcak, Craddock, Rohr and Richardson voting yes, motion carried.

**Power Purchase Commitment Authorization**

Council would like Manager Joseph to obtain additional quotes from multiple IT companies before solidifying a contract with VC3.

**VC3 IT Services Contract**

Manager Joseph reported the Village Attorney will draft an amended Burn Ordinance with the discussed proposed changes.

**Non-Action Items:  
Burn Ordinance Amendments**

The 2023-2024 State of Michigan budget included \$1.1 million earmarked for the Briggs Dam replacement project. President Plaszcak would like to have a meeting at the Barr offices with the engineer assigned to project.

**Briggs Dam**

The Parks and Rec Committee continue to working on finalizing the Parks and Rec Plan.

**Committee Meetings and Reports  
Parks and Rec**

No Report.

**DDA**

No Report.

**Economic Develop**

No Report.

**Farmers Market**

The Fire Board hopes to continue the discussion with Manager Joseph and DPS Director Brandys regarding their utility bills.

**Fire Board**

Tickets to the Voices of the Past Prospect Cemetery Tour can be purchased online.

**Historical Committee**

No Report.

**Housing Commission**

The Maple Lake Preservation and Improvement Committee will be holding a meeting at Village Hall on 8/16 at 4:00pm.

**Maple Lake Preservation**

The Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding the proposed transition home at 105 Oak St.

**Planning Commission**

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No Report.

**Wellhead Protection**

No Report.

**Wine & Harvest**

President Plaszczak noted he has been hearing great things about how wonderful the downtown looks.

**Council Member  
Comments:  
Plaszczak**

Trustee Craddock would like Council to resume discussion on social districts.

**Craddock**

Trustee Martinez thanked Trustee Craddock on his assistance at the recent Farmers Market Kids Day. Martinez also thanked Ace Hardware for the use of their popcorn machine during Kids Day.

**Martinez**

Manager Joseph announced Chief Marshall's upcoming retirement on September 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Manager Comments**

Chief Marshall thanked Council for their support over his 13-year tenure. Chief Marshall recommends Lt. Rottman for Interim Chief. He believes the Department will be in good hands with Lt. Rottman and Sgt. Carlsen leading.

**Staff Comments**

DPS Director Brandys reported Five Star will be in town next week to finish the lead service line work.

Motion by Martinez with support by Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35p.m.

**Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted:

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Karla Tacy  
Village Clerk

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Roman Plaszczak  
Village President