The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, September 12, 2022, convened at 7:00p.m. at the Paw Paw District Library, Community Room. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

**Meeting Convened** 

Present: President Plaszczak and President Pro-tem Douglas Craddock and Trustees Amanda Bartlett, Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh, Ashley Nottingham (excused), and Donne Rohr (excused). Also present: Village Manager Will Joseph, Village Clerk Karla Tacy, Chief of Police Eric Marshall and Interim Department of Public Services Director Tim Brandys.

**Members Present** 

Motion by Jarvis with support from Bartlett to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of a discussion regarding pay for absent council members under Non-Action Items. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 22, 2022. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes** 

Motion by Jarvis with support of Bartlett to approve claims for Monday, September 12, 2022, in the amount of \$723,875.55. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Claims** 

Nick Martinez applauded Doug Craddock, Chief Marshall and Interim DPS Director Brandys on the great job by them and their staff during the Wine & Harvest Festival.

Audience Participation

Paw Paw Public Library Director, Gretchen Evans, gave updates on the library's strategic plan.

Dane Porter of Maner Costerisan presented to Council the findings of the 2021-2022 audit and financial statements.

Presentations and Guests: Dane Porter, Maner Costerisan

John Small, Director of the Van Buren County Buildings and Grounds Department, requested two handicap spots in front of their new Veterans Services office at 226 E Michigan Ave. It was the consensus of Council to have this added to the next meeting's agenda so they may speak with surrounding business owners.

John Small, Van Buren County

Motion by Bartlett with support from Jarvis to table further discussion on the site until the 9/26 meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Action Items: Village View Estates Site Plan Review

Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to table further discussion on the site until a later meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Tapper Car Wash Site Plan Review

Motion by Bartlett with support from Jarvis to adopt amendments to the Parks and Recreation ordinance Roll call vote: McIntosh, Craddock, Plaszczak, Jarvis and Bartlett voting yes, motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Ordinance Amendment

Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to rescind the motion made August 8, 2022 to purchase a 500 KVA pad mount transformer from MEC and to purchase as-is a used transformer from the City of South Haven for an amount not to exceed \$8,130.00. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Bid for Transformer** 

It was the consensus of Council to add a discussion of amending the Village Council ordinance on the next agenda.

Non-Action Items: Council Pay When Absent

Jarvis reports the Parks and Rec Board discussed the restroom vandalism at Maple Island and Tyler Field, tilling at Sunset Park and the Sunset Park walkway donation.

Committee Meetings and Reports Parks and Rec

No Report.

DDA

No Report.

**Economic Develop** 

Nick Martinez is assisting Jarvis with putting a market board together.

**Farmers Market** 

Jim Jackson will be retiring as Fire Chief the end of November.

Fire Board

No Report.

**Historical Committee** 

No Report.

**Housing Commission** 

No Report.

Maple Lake Preservation

Joseph reported the site plan for the 105 Oak St transition home was denied. The owners of 105 Oak St have a request into the ZBA for a deck.

**Planning Commission** 

Wellhead Protection

No Report.

Wine & Harvest

Craddock applauded Chief Marshall and his officers on the great interaction with the community they displayed during the festival. Craddock thanked Interim DPS Director Brandys and his crew for keeping the town looking for the festival and appreciates all the hard work of countless volunteers.

Council Member Comments: Plaszczak

Plaszczak commended everyone on another successful festival.

Jarvis

Jarvis is very pleased how the festival turned out and proud of the community her supportive. Jarvis inquired into whether the planters down by the Paw Paw Playhouse are being maintained.

McIntosh thanked DPS on their wonderful job maintaining the town during the festival.

McIntosh

**Plaszczak** 

Joseph the staff, Wine & Harvest Board and the neighboring police personnel for all of their hard work during the festival.

Chief Marshall commended DPS, Doug Craddock and Marilyn Clear on a great job with the festival. Chief Marshall noted that over 460 hours of foot patrol were logged festival weekend. He appreciates the positive comments from the community regarding police efforts.

Motion by Jarvis with support by Bartlett to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:34p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Roman Plaszczak

Manager Comments:

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Village President

Village Clerk