

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, April 22, 2019**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, April 22, 2019, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszcak presiding.

**Meeting Convened**

Present: President Plaszcak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Amanda Bartlett, Mary McIntosh, Nadine Jarvis and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, Village Clerk Karla Tacy, Chief of Police Eric Marshall and Department of Public Services Director John Small.

**Members Present**

Motion by Jarvis with support from Bartlett to approve the agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 8, 2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve the Workshop meeting minutes of April 8, 2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Craddock with support of Rohr to approve all other claims for Monday, April 22, 2019, in the amount of \$499,002.81. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Approval of Claims**

Randy Peat, District 5 County Commissioner, updated the Council on agenda items Van Buren County has been working on the past month including: creating a court complex facility plan, long-term financial planning due to lost monies from the future closure of Palisades Nuclear Plant, emergency planning in-case of loss of certain facilities and the addition of a new board to control Van Buren County Road Commission until a new director is hired. The Council thanked Mr. Peat for his updates.

**Audience  
Participation**

Josh Schulz introduced himself as the new homeowner at 401 Charles St. He had concerns with the high groundwater situation on this street. Moyer-Cale gave him her contact info so they could discuss further.

Moyer-Cale reported Wings of God is requesting permission for the use of Village sidewalks for a “bucket brigade” fundraiser. The event will be held on Friday, July 26 from 8 until 5 pm. Trained volunteers will be at the four corners and outside local businesses with permission to collect donations.

**New Business:  
Wings of God  
Request**

Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve the use of village sidewalks for the “bucket brigade” fundraiser for Wings of God on July 26<sup>th</sup> from 8-5 pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Moyer-Cale reported the library is looking at acquiring 621 W Michigan Ave, “Soapy’s Car Wash” for eventual demolition to create additional library parking. The library is requesting the waiver of water and sewer base fees that will accrue until the building is demolished. Moyer-Cale pointed out an additional option would be to cut

**Ongoing Business:  
Base Fees Waiver  
Request 621 W  
Michigan Ave**

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and cap the line without doing the full demolition. If the library or new owner ever wanted to reconnect, they would have to pay a new tap fee. Library director Mohney agreed this was a workable solution; no motion was needed.

John Small provided an update on the village water system projects as well as how the village is planning to meet the requirements of the lead and copper rule updates.

Moyer-Cale informed council that the village is making several upgrades to our technology including a website redesign. Moyer-Cale is hoping the new website will be up and running within the next two months. The village will also be implementing in the coming weeks a new Nixel notification system. Nixel will be used to alert residents of weather emergencies, power outages and other important local updates.

No Report.

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Plaszczak reported the DDA committee awarded a grant for roofing to Ryan Sylvester for his 929 E Michigan Ave building. Channel 3 News spoke to the DDA committee regarding advertising.

No Report.

No Report.

No Report.

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Small reported the Wellhead Protection committee discussed putting wellhead trivia and facts on placemats for local restaurants. The committee also discussed raising the target age for wellhead education at the schools.

No Report.

**DPS Update- Water System**

**Website Development and Technology Upgrade Update**

**Committee Meetings and Reports  
Finance and Admin**

**Public Services**

**Area Parks & Rec**

**DDA**

**Economic Develop**

**Farmers Market**

**Fire Board**

**Historical Committee**

**Housing Commission**

**Maple Lake Preservation**

**Planning Commission**

**Wellhead Protection**

**Wine & Harvest**

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McIntosh requested that Moyer-Cale please schedule a workshop in the near future to discuss blight. McIntosh also stated she would like to have Mike Pioch as a guest speaker on behalf of the Maple Lake Association.

**Council Comments  
McIntosh**

Jarvis complimented Moyer-Cale and Small on their ability to always keep everything running smoothly.

**Jarvis**

Moyer-Cale reported DPS will be redoing some of the uneven sidewalks in front of the amphitheater. The renovations will require removal of some of the worn memorial bricks. The bricks will be housed at DPS if the donators would like to pick them up.

**Manager Comments  
Moyer-Cale**

Motion by Bartlett with support by Larcinese to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted:

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Karla Tacy  
Village Clerk

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Roman Plaszczak  
Village President