

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, July 14, 2025**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, July 14, 2025, convened at 7:00p.m. at the Paw Paw District Library, Community Room. President Plaszcak presiding.

Meeting Convened

Present: President Roman Plaszcak, Pro Tem Douglas Craddock, Trustees Steve Richardson, Holly Hamilton, Nicolas Martinez (excused), David McQueen and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Bryan Myrkle, Village Clerk Karla Tacy, Director of Public Services Tim Brandys.

Members Present

Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of DWSRF Pay Request #22 as Action Item #3. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Rohr with support from Hamilton to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 23, 2025. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Richardson with support from Hamilton to approve claims for Monday, July 14, 2025, in the amount of \$793,898.27. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

Jason Deilber-Love hopes to soon present Council with plans for his proposed boutique hotel.

**Audience
Participation**

Luke Butler inquired as to who oversees blight enforcement.

Janice Chittel of Destination Paw Paw and Jennifer Sistrunk of Visit South Haven gave an update on the newly created Destination Paw Paw marketing campaign.

**Presentations: Janice
Chittle, Destination
Paw Paw**

Motion by Rohr with support from McQueen to authorize a temporary closure of the 100 Block of N Gremps St. for the Paw Paw Farmers Market Kids Day event on Sunday, August 3, 2025, from 9am to 2pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Action Items:
Farmers Market
Road Closure
Request**

A final decision regarding the Wine & Harvest fireworks application for a permit has been postponed until the next Council meeting.

**Wine & Harvest
Festival Fireworks**

Motion by Rohr with support from Richardson to approve pay estimate No.22 for Lounsbury Excavating in the amount of \$34,897.17. Roll call vote; Richardson, Hamilton, Craddock, Plaszcak, Rohr, and McQueen voting yes, motion carried.

**DWSRF Pay Request
#22**

It is the Consensus of Council, to give Manager Myrkle permission to speak to the different entities regarding a resolution.

**Workshop Items:
Discussion
Regarding Previous
PILOT Payment
Contract Change
Orders**

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Manager Myrkle is wanting to hire a part-time employee to manage the Village's website and social media postings.

**Village of Paw Paw
Communications**

The Parks and Rec Committee will be holding future meetings at Village Hall. At the recent Parks Meeting, discussion was held regarding the Maple Island Bridge project and the renewal of the park's millage. zone

**Committee Meetings
Parks and Rec**

None.

DDA

None.

**Economic &
Residential
Opportunity**

None.

Farmers Market

None.

Fire Board

The Historical Commission continues to work on the Fall Prospect Hill Cemetery Tour.

**Historical
Commission**

None.

Housing Commission

None.

**Maple Lake
Preservation**

None.

**Planning
Commission**

Cathy Dekoning is shadowing festival Director Marilyn Clear. The intention is for her to take over after Marilyn's potential 2026 retirement.

Wine & Harvest

Trustee Rohr has noticed some of the landscaping bricks in the Village parking lots need to be rearranged or replaced.

**Council Member
Comments:
Rohr**

Trustee Craddock applauded Manager Myrkle for keeping Council informed and having a plan of action for issues that may arise.

Craddock

Manager Myrkle reports TurfWorks is working on weeding the downtown flower beds. A revised site plan for the Hazen Street PUD has been submitted for the Planning Commissions review.

Manager Comments

DPS Director Brandys reports that the base coat has been laid on Commercial Ave.

**Staff Comments
Brandys**

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Motion by Craddock with support by McQueen to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Karla Tacy
Village Clerk

Roman Plaszczak
Village President