

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, July 8, 2019**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, July 8, 2019, convened at 7:33 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

Meeting Convened

Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Amanda Bartlett, Mary McIntosh (arrived at 7:41 pm), Nadine Jarvis and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, Village Clerk Karla Tacy, Chief of Police Eric Marshall (excused) and Department of Public Services Director John Small.

Members Present

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

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Rohr with support from Bartlett to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 24, 2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Larcinese with support of Craddock to approve all claims for Monday, July 8, 2019, in the amount of \$215,906.10. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

Mary Lou Hartwell inquired on the availability of electric for use at the amphitheater, Director Small responded the electric is on.

**Audience
Participation**

Motion by Jarvis with support from Bartlett, to close the regular session at 7:36pm and enter into a public hearing to take comments possible adoption of Ordinance 472, prohibiting street parking on Michigan Ave daily from 3am-6am. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Public Hearings:
Michigan Ave
Parking**

Mary Lou Hartwell expressed her concern that implementing the new ordinance would require the Village to install multiple new signs along Michigan Ave, creating an eye sore.

Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to close the public hearing at 7:45pm and re-enter regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

As discussed at the last council meeting, it has been brought to Moyer-Cale's attention several times that second story residents are using downtown parking for extended periods of time. This makes it difficult for early morning road maintenance such as street sweeping and prevents customers of the first-floor businesses from being able to access on street parking. Moyer-Cale presented Ordinance 472 which would prohibit street parking year-round on Michigan Ave between Gremps St and Niles during the hours of 3am- 6am. Council decided to look into making changes to the current parking ordinance and possible temporary signs that can be posted before maintenance is to take place, announcing limited parking.

**New Business:
Michigan Ave
Downtown Parking
Ordinance**

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Moyer-Cale presented Council with a draft of the proposed amendments to the water and sewer ordinance. She included the memorandum from our attorney about suggested improvements to the ordinances. Council reviewed the suggestions, Moyer-Cale and the attorney will continue to work on the revisions.

**Water & Sewer
Ordinance proposed
Amendments Review**

Moyer-Cale reported that at the last meeting it was requested that she prepare a draft letter to send to the library board proclaiming the Village's disheartenment of the board's choice to opt out of the DDA capture in 2017 and for continuing years. Council has decided to have President Plaszczyk meet with the board chair to discuss rather than sending the letter.

**Library
Correspondence**

Moyer-Cale reported she received a letter on July 1, 2019 from the FAN (Families Against Narcotics) 5K board regarding the proposed route and corresponding road closures for the September 7th race. Moyer-Cale noted Sergeant Rottman has been working with the committee on designating the roads to be closed.

**Ongoing Business
FAN 5K Run
Approval**

Motion by McIntosh with support from Bartlett to approve the September 7, 2019 FAN 5K Run and corresponding road closures. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

**Committee Meetings
and Reports
Finance and Admin**

Rohr reported the Finance and Admin Committee met to discuss employee contracts, employee reviews, water/sewer flat rates, updating the harassment policy and went over fund revenue and expense reports.

No Report.

Public Services

No Report.

Area Parks & Rec

No Report.

DDA

No Report.

Economic Develop

No Report

Farmers Market

No Report

Fire Board

No Report

Historical Committee

No Report

Housing Commission

No Report.

**Maple Lake
Preservation**

No Report.

Planning Commission

No Report.

Wellhead Protection

No Report.

Wine & Harvest

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Plaszczak reported the Village looked great and was busy during the 4th of July weekend. He also noted the Free Sounds concert on Sunday was well attended and the new kayak launch is being utilized by many. Plaszczak commended all departments on doing a great job.

**Council Member
Comments
Plaszczak**

Jarvis was asked by the Garden Club to thank the DPS crew on keeping the Carnegie Center grounds looking great.

Jarvis

McIntosh asked Moyer-Cale for a Dark Store update, Moyer-Cale has no update at this time. McIntosh also asked for a dam update. Moyer-Cale reported Barr should have spillway repair cost estimates soon.

McIntosh

Rohr announced Moyer-Cale's yearly evaluation is due in August. She will be handing out the same forms used last year for Council members to fill out.

Rohr

Larcinese acknowledged that people like the new kayak launch and it is being well utilized. Larcinese noted he spoke recently with a rep from the city of Hart. The gentleman from Hart advised that their hydro dam is very profitable and believes Paw Paw should look into what the cost would be to get ours working.

Larcinese

Moyer-Cale reported the USDA wanted an update on the dam loan. She noted that the she will be withdrawing the application since the Village paid out-of-pocket for the first part of the project. Moyer-Cale explained that the Village can apply for a new loan for part two of the project.

**Manager Comments
Moyer-Cale**

Motion by Craddock with support by Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Karla Tacy
Village Clerk

Roman Plaszczak
Village President