Meeting Convened

Members Present

Approval of Agenda

Approved Minutes

Accounts Payable

Public Comments

Presentations & Guest

New Business

2014 Project TEAM

FY 2015-2016 Budget Review

Ongoing Business

DDT Evaluation proposals

Committee Reports

Master Plan

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, January 12, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Pro Tem Eric Larcinese presiding.

2. Present: President Pro Tem Larcinese, (President Roman Plaszczak excused) and Trustees (Nadine Jarvis excused), Douglas Craddock, (Mary McIntosh excused), Marcos Flores and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve the minutes of the regular meeting minutes of December 22, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $517,934.26. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Larcinese and Craddock.

6. Let the record show no public comment was received.

7. Let the record show no guest were scheduled.

8. Chief Marshall reported to the Council of the successes of the TEAM project program. Marshall indicated Trinity Lutheran School was added to the schedule. Officer McMeeken will heading back in to the patrol schedule as Officer Samuel Carlsen will be handling the project as part of the CPO duties. Marshall discussed how this program is a proactive approach to building relationship with our younger generations.

9. Nielsen presented to the Council daft one of the fiscal year 2015-2016 budget along with coming year projects. Nielsen thanked staff for their continue work in helping to prepare for the projected amendments long with proposal for 2015-2016. It was the consensus to the Council to hold a budget workshop session January 26, 2015 at 7:00 to continue to review amendments and proposals.

10. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to grant approval to President Pro Tem and the Village Manager to processed with proposals for evaluations for the downtown road diet, for a price not to exceed $10,000. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. No report.
12. No report.

13. No report

14. No report

15. No report

16. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met. Items discussed included; needs assistant discussion, budget discussion, projects listed for new budget year.

17. No report.

18. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed included; budget adoption, RAD report and review along with needs assistant review.

19. No report.

20. No report

21. No report

22. No report

23. Rohr thanked the Department of Public Services for their continued effort to keep the road clear during this last snow storm.

24. Flores commented if the Police Department would be considering body cameras for the new budget year. Chief reply it was not in consideration.

25. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President Pro Tem,                         Village Clerk,
Eric Larcinese                                          Christopher Tapper
1. The workshop meeting of the Village Council Monday, January 26, 2015, convened at 7:00 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Pro Tem Larcinese presiding.

2. Present: (President Plaszczak excused), and Trustees Marcos Flores, Douglas Craddock, (Nadine Jarvis excused), Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper,

3. Nielsen presented to the Council proposed drafted budget for fiscal year 2015-2016 including projects. The draft also included budget amendment for 2014-2015. Nielsen discussed the past weeks water leak on Gremps Street and how the expenses would affect the water fund and street funds.

4. Nielsen also address the Motor Pool fund and equipment rates. Equipment rates have been operating at the full rates for the last three years. This has allowed the Motor Pool to build back its revenues.

5. Nielsen address several General Fund activities including state share revenues. Nielsen discussed the State of Michigan was looking at a budget short fall this coming fiscal year. This would incite less state share revenues for the village. These revenues come from the state sales taxes.

6. Nielsen concluded, overall the Village would be looking at a surplus increase at the end of all funds combined.

7. A general discussion ensued regarding the amendments and proposals. Several comments and questions ensued. The Council thanked Nielsen for the presenting and would continue working on proposals and amendments.

8. Motion by Craddock with support of Flores to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President Pro Tem,                           Village Clerk,
Eric Larcinese                                        Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, January 26, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Pro Tem Eric Larcinese presiding.

2. Present: President Pro Tem Larcinese, (President Roman Plaszczak excused) and Trustees (Nadine Jarvis excused), Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve the minutes of the regular meeting minutes of December 22, 2014. All members present voting yes, McIntosh abstain, motion carried.

5. Motion by Craddock with support of Larcinese to approve accounts payable in the amount of $193,034.14. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, McIntosh and Rohr.

6. Let the record show several Village Business owners were present to discuss the Michigan Ave road diet. Those business owners included; Neil Boff, Warner’s Supply, Lori Knopp, Lori’s Hallmark, Patrick Desmond, Pipe Dreams LLC

7. Neil Boff, Warner Supply presented the Council with several written petitions from business owners in the Michigan Ave blocks. The petitions indicate the dissatisfaction with the road diet and asking the Village to put the road and parking back to the old design.

8. Rebecca Slater, was present to comment about the dissatisfaction of the road diet and asked the Village to put the road back to the old design.

9. Richard Schlecte, was present to comment about dissatisfaction of the road diet and asked the Village to put the road back to the old design.

10. David Vogt, was present to comment about dissatisfaction of the road diet and asked the Village to put the road back to the old design.

11. Richard Bradford, was present and comment why people were so upset when the Village told everyone what they were going to do the road diet.

12. Lori Knopp, Lori’s Hallmark presented the Council with several written petitions from business owners in the Michigan Ave blocks. The petitions indicate the dissatisfaction with the road diet and asking the Village to put the road and parking back to the old design.

13. Sonia Berg, was present to discuss the pros and cons of the road diet.
14. Patrick Desmond, Pipe Dreams LLC, commented about dissatisfaction of the road diet and asked the Village to put the road back to the old design.

15. Larcinese thanked everyone for the public comment and noted of the ongoing business item of the “Downtown Evaluation Proposal”. Larcinese noted the evaluation would be on websites along with different types of social media outlets and encouraged everyone to look for the surveys when they were available.

16. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve and authorize President Plaszczak to execute the contract between the Paw Paw Quick Response Team for 2015 with a donation of $6,000 for services performed. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

17. Kalamazoo Street sidewalk authorization, moved to next agenda on February 9, 2015.

18. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve and authorize the designation of President Pro Tem Eric Larcinese as an authorized signature on Village of Paw Paw financial accounts. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

19. Motion by McIntosh with support from Flores to approve and accept the proposal from the McKinley-Wilson Post 2532 for the annual poppy sales. The proposal grants the use of streets and sidewalks on May 7, 2015 through May 9, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

20. The evaluation will be presented by McKenna and Associates at the meeting on March 23, 2015.

21. Motion by McIntosh with support from Flores to authorize staff to prepare and solicit bids for the demolition and removal of debris of the structure at the property located at 125 Industrial Ave. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

22. No report.

23. No report.

24. No report

25. No report

26. No report

27. No report

28. No report.
29. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed included; budget adoption, RAD report and review along with needs assistant review.

30. No report.

31. No report

32. No report

33. No report

34. Rohr thanked the public for all the comments. McIntosh reminded the public the Village Council did receive comments during all the focus groups back in 2010. All of the meeting the Village held during the Master Plan process was also included with the Michigan Ave road diet. This concept and idea was not something new.

35. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President Pro Tem,                         Village Clerk,
Eric Larcinese                                         Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, February 9, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Pro Tem Larcinese, President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores, (Eric Larcinese, excused) and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by McIntosh with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support or McIntosh to approve the minutes of the workshop meeting minutes of January 26, 2105. All members present voting yes, Jarvis and Plaszczak abstain, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of Craddock to approve the corrected minutes of the regular meeting minutes of January 26, 2015. All members present voting yes, Jarvis and Plaszczak abstain, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rohr with support of McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $228,548.79. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and Jarvis.

7. Neil Boff, Warner Supply and Matthew Day were both in attendance to voice concerns regarding the Michigan Ave road diet. Both had several questions for the Council and comments.

8. Neil Boff, Warner Supply presented the Council with several written petitions from business owners in the Michigan Ave blocks. The petitions indicate the dissatisfaction with the road diet and asking the Village to put the road and parking back to the old design.

9. Plaszczak thanked everyone for the public comments and noted evaluation would be on websites along with different types of social media outlets and encouraged everyone to look for the surveys when they were available.

10. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve and grant the request from the Paw Paw Area Chamber of Commerce for the annual Paw Paw Day / Uncork the Arts Car and Truck Show Saturday, July 18, 2015. Noted in the request is the approval of street closures 100, 200 blocks of Niles, Paw Paw Streets along with 100 and 200 block of Michigan Ave. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to approve and grant the request from the Wine & Harvest Festival Committee for the use of various streets, parking lots and parks for the annual festival September 11 through 13, 2015 with
the requirement of Stomp land, and Water ball Contest be relocated to another acceptable location approved by staff. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve and grant the request from the Red Arrow Ministries the use of Tyler Field/Kids Paradise playground on April 4, 2015 between 9:00am and 12:00pm for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve and accept the recommendation of the Public Service Committee and authorize the engineering proposal of Wightman & Associates in the amount of $28,625.00 to completed all required engineering for replacement and infill of sidewalks along South Kalamazoo Street. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr, Plaszcak, McIntosh and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the proposal submitted by Wightman & Associates in conjunction with GRP Engineering Inc, in the amount of $190,000.00 to conduct an Asset Management Plan and Reliability Study and authorize staff to enter into the agreements to conduct the study. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr and Flores yes, Plaszcak and McIntosh no, motion carried.

15. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to set the Village of Paw Paw Budget hearing for 7:30 pm on February 23, 2015 and authorize staff to advertise the same. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. The evaluation will be presented by McKenna and Associates at the meeting on March 23, 2015.

17. Craddock reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; budget hearing

18. Flores reported the DPS Committee met. Items discussed included; Kalamazoo street sidewalk proposal and electric system asset management proposal.

19. No report.

20. No report

21. No report

22. No report

23. No report

24. No report.
25. No report.

26. No report

27. No report

28. Plaszczak reminded the Council of the Chamber Dinner was schedule for Wednesday.

29. Jarvis noted of an education and training opportunity she was able to attend for Planning Commission.

30. Small updated the Council regarding the Water Main break on Gremps Street.

31. Motion by Flores with support of Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                        Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                           Christopher Tapper

EDC
WHF
Maple Lake & NR &E

Council Comments
Plaszczak
Jarvis
Small
Adjournment

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1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, February 23, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, (Mary McIntosh excused), Marcos Flores, Eric Larcinese, and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

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

4. Motion by Flores with support or Craddock to approve the minutes of the regular meeting minutes of February 9, 2105. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $508,616.14. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Craddock and McIntosh.

6. Let the record show several dozen people were in attendance to discuss the Michigan Ave road diet project.

7. Comments received from audience members included; Fay Dorr, Rick Mitchell, Phil Arbences, Cory Vantel, John Falt, Mary Arbences, Marv Flick, Ronald Packer, Jack Butler, Mark Lender, Dawn Glass, Wayne Rumsey, Robert Jackson, Don Waite, Joyce Webster, Marilyn Peasly, Vicki Benton, Mike Toth, Kevin Flint and Doni Squires spoke regarding their concerns with the Michigan Ave road diet.

8. Plaszczak thanked everyone for the public comments and noted evaluation would be on websites along with different types of social media outlets and encouraged everyone to look for the surveys when they were available.

9. Paul Lippens, AICP, Principal Planner with McKenna & Associates was in attendance to present to the Council his evaluation plan for the Michigan Ave streetscape road diet. Lippens provided background information to the Council regarding the Village of Paw Paw Master Plan and why the Michigan Ave road diet was important to the Village of Paw Paw. Lippens discussed the priorities of a walkable community and the initiatives. Lippens further discussed the different options with the bikeway along with different parking outlines. Lippens concluded with scheduling more open house dates March 2, 4, 6 and 11, 2015 to receive public comments regarding the project.

10. Plaszczak thanked Lippens for his presentation and asked for a break of the meeting at 9:10pm.

11. Plaszczak gathered the meeting back to order at 9:15pm for regular business.
12. Motion by Flores with support from Larcinese to close the regular meeting at 9:19 to enter into a Budget Hearing to receive comments regarding the budget amendments for fiscal year 2014-2015 and discussed budget adoption of fiscal year 2015-2016. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Nielsen presented to the Council and audience budget amendments for all funds and categories for fiscal year 2014-2015. Along with the presentation Nielsen also provided a budget for all funds and categories for fiscal year 2015-2016. Nielsen explained Resolution 15-01 was provided to guide the Council through the discussion.

14. Nielsen provided explanations of the changes with regards to General Fund, Major & Local Streets, Municipal Streets, Downtown Development Authority, Wine & Harvest Festival, Electric Fund, Wastewater Fund, Water Fund and Motor Fund. For all funds revenues were budget at $9,483,793 with actual revenues expected to $10,164,187. Expenses were budgeted at $8,804,551 with actual expenses expected to $9,217,399. The surplus projected at $946,788 over the budgeted $679,242.

15. Let the record show no public comment was received.

16. Motion by Flores with support from Rohr to close the budget hearing at 9:56 to reenter the regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

17. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve and grant permission to the Eastern Van Buren County CROP Walk to use Village Streets and sidewalks for their annual walk on April 26, 2015 beginning at 2:00 pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

18. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve Resolution 15-01 Amending 2014-2015 fiscal year budget and adopt 2015-2016 fiscal year budget beginning 1, March 2015. Roll call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

19. No report

20. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; budget hearing

21. Flores reported the DPS Committee met. Items discussed included; Michigan ave road diet, electric system asset management proposal and lift stations.

22. No report.

23. No report
24. No report

25. No report

26. No report

27. No report.

28. No report.

29. No report

30. No report

31. Flores commented he was happy to see the comments from audience members be well presented and respectful.

32. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to enter into Executive Session at 10:17pm to discuss the collective bargaining agreement with International Union of Operating Engineers Local 324. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

33. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to close the Executive Session at 10:58pm and re-enter regular session. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

34. Motion by Flores with support of Larcinese to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                Village Clerk,  
Roman Plaszczak                                    Christopher Tapper
1. The workshop meeting of the Village Council Monday, March 9, 2015, convened at 6:10 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszzczak, and Trustees (Marcos Flores excused), (Douglas Craddock 7:05), Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh excused) and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, (Chief of Police, Eric Marshall excused), Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper,

3. Chris Cook along with Dan Dombos from Abonmarche were in attendance to refresh the Council regarding the S-2 Grant and SRF Project Plan for the Village of Paw Paw. Cook and Dombos provided project background information along with time table for the Village Council to provide direction on moving forward with the sewer system improvements needed to the ageing Village of Paw Paw Sewer lift Stations along with sewer mains and sewer lines. Dombos discussed the capacity issues the Village faces with the ageing system at the; number 2 Lift Station, North Kalamazoo and Davis Street, North Street High Lift station and the Gremps street sewer line. Dombos noted these were just a few concerns Abonmarche found when conduction the review of the sewer system.

4. Cook provide information to the Council regarding estimated cost, user fee impacts along with possible construction schedules. A general discussion ensued regarding the recommendations and impacts facing the Village of Paw Paw Sewer System. The Council thanked Cook and Dombos for the recap and indicated the Council would have direction coming this April with regards to the project.

5. Mickey Bittner, Wightman & Associates was in attendance to refresh the Council regarding the reconstruction project schedule for West Michigan Ave. Bittner explained the reconstruction to follow; timetable, bid letting, review of bids, construction timetable etc. Starting date for construction should be June 16, 2015 through August 28, 2015

6. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, March 9, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, (Mary McIntosh excused), (Marcos Flores excused), Eric Larcinese, and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

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

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 23, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Jarvis with support of Craddock to approve the minutes of the executive session of February 23, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $427,401.87. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Craddock and Larcinese.

7. Barb Mohney was in attendance to discuss the Michigan Ave Road diet survey. Mohney describe she had made several attempts to take the survey but was difficult to submit.

8. A general discussion ensured regarding the survey. Several comments were made about how to inquire the website survey help desk.

9. Motion by Craddock with support of Rohr to approve and adopt the Resolution requested by the Wings of God Inc as a recognized non-profit organization operating with the Village of Paw Paw. All members presenting voting yes, motion carried.

10. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to grant approval of staff to execute the contract with Night Magic Display to conduct the annual fireworks display at the Wine and Harvest Festival in an amount not to exceed $7000.00. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. No report

12. No report
13. No report.

14. Jarvis reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; Maple Lake permits, Briggs Pond and Shoreline education & training opportunities.

15. No report

16. Larcinese reported the Board met. Items discussed included; budget amendments and needs assessment report.

17. No report

18. No report

19. Jarvis reported the Commission met. Items discussed included; PUD district hearing

20. No report.

21. No report

22. No report


24. Nielsen reported six possible new businesses in the DDA could be opening this spring.

25. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to enter into Executive Session at 8:00pm to discuss the collective bargaining agreement with International Union of Operating Engineers Local 324. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

26. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to close the Executive Session at 8:10pm and re-enter regular session. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried

27. Motion by Larcinese with support of Rohr to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, 
Roman Plaszczak  

Village Clerk, 
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, March 23, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, March 23, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, (Mary McIntosh excused), Marcos Flores, Eric Larcinese, and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Attorney Gary Stewart and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Larcinese with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 9, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the executive session of March 9, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Craddock with support of Larcinese to approve accounts payable in the amount of $392,521.87. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and McIntosh.

7. Let the record show several members of the public were in attendance to discuss the Michigan Ave road diet. The members of the public who spoke, voiced their concerns with the road diet. Those members included; Neil Boff, Ashley Bowne, Rick Pursley, Debbie Klinger, Dennis Floured, Denise Lousbury, John Fauth, Joyce Webster, Marv Flick, Dondi Squires, Pat from Lake Street Apartments, and Rev, Packer.

8. Mike Pioch address the Council and public with comments in support of the Michigan Ave road diet. Pioch address the planning of the project and discussed how supportive he will continue to be for the Council.

9. Plaszczak thanked everyone for the comments.

10. Paul Lippens, McKenna & Associates presented to the Council his finds regarding the public survey from the Michigan Ave Road Diet. Lippens reported he believed the survey to be a success based upon the total number of people who provided comments and feedback. Lippens commented his finding from the public meeting held. The report and recommendations provided different configurations; 3-lane, 4-lane and 5-lane reconstruction along with start over from original configuration. Lippens thanked the Council for the opportunity to review the Master Plan along with Villages policies, resolutions, etc. with regarding the Walkable Community strategies.
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Regular Meeting, March 23, 2015

11. Motion by Craddock with support of Larcinese to approve and amend staff to begin implementation to revert Michigan Ave back to the construction of 2013. All members presenting voting yes, motion carried.

12. President Plaszczak asked for a recess of the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

13. President Plaszczak reconvened the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

14. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve and accept the Village President recommendations for the Village of Paw Paw annul appointment list for 2015 to various committees and boards listed in the agenda dated March 23, 2015. All members’ presents voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the update to Resolution 15-02, titled Community Support Resolution for the Berkshire Paw Paw Project. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve the update to the PILOT Agreement with General Capital Group/Berkshire Paw Paw. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

17. No report

18. No report

19. No report.

20. No report.

21. Plaszczak report the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed; grant approvals, budget and new policy amendments with grant and loan program.

22. No report

23. No report

24. Rohr reported the Commission met. Items discussed included; Capital improvement plan update and 5yr plan review.

25. No report.


27. No report.

28. No report.
29. Flores commented on the Michigan Ave Road diet survey. Flores thanked the public for all the comments and suggestion during the review process. He encouraged the public to stay engaged with the continued efforts of the Village Council to implement the Master Plan and looked forward to the public’s comments and suggestions moving forward.

30. Larcinese commented on feedback received from the Ackley Lake Association about the most recent request of the Village to lower Maple Lake in the fall of 2015.

31. Motion by Flores with support from Craddock to enter into Executive Session at 9:28pm to discuss the collective bargaining agreement with International Union of Operating Engineers Local 324. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

32. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to close the Executive Session at 9:33pm and re-enter regular session. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

33. Motion by Craddock with support from Rohr to ratify the contract between the Village of Paw Paw and International Union of Operating Engineers Local 324 from March 1, 2015 through February 28, 2019. Roll Call; Plaszczak, Larcinese, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock and Rohr all voting yes, motion carried.

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

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                        Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                          Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Special Meeting, March 30, 2015

1. The workshop meeting of the Village Council Monday, March 30, 2015, convened at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall 111 East Michigan Ave, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczyk presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, and Trustees Marcos Flores, Douglas Craddock, Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh excused) and (Donne Rohr 6:11). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, (Chief of Police, Eric Marshall excused), Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Let the record show no public comment was received.

4. Nielsen reported to the Council proposal information from Mickey Bittner, Wightman & Associates. Nielsen noted this type of work is temperature dependent and is typically performed between May 1 and October 1. Until the permanent pavement markings are installed, temporary pavement marking will be placed to help delineate traffic. The micro-surface has an open to traffic time of 1-2 hrs. after placement and the slurry seal requires 4-5hrs after placement.

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Craddock to approve and accept the recommendation from staff and accept the proposal submit by Wightman & Associates for micro-resurfacing of Michigan Ave from Brown Street to Gremps Street for a price not to exceed $53,390.00. Roll call vote; Plaszczak, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr, and Larcinese voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve and accept the changes made by staff on behalf of General Capital Group for the Berkshire Paw Paw Project for Ordinance 442 PILOT. Roll call vote; Plaszczak, Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr, and Larcinese voting yes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Larcinese with support of Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                          Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, April 13, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, April 13, 2015, convened at 7:32 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores, (Eric Larcinese, excused), and (Donne Rohr excused). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to approve the corrected minutes of the regular meeting of March 23, 2015. All members present voting yes, McIntosh abstaining, motion carried.

5. Motion by Jarvis with support of Craddock to approve the minutes of the executive session of March 23, 2015. All members present voting yes, McIntosh abstaining, motion carried.

6. Motion by Craddock with support of McIntosh to approve the special meeting on March 30, 2015. All members present voting yes, McIntosh abstaining, motion carried.

7. Motion by Flores with support of McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $475,649.62. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Jarvis and Rohr.

8. Let the record show no public comment received.

9. Chris Cook and Dab Dombos from Abonmarche were in attendance to further discuss the Village of Paw Paw SRF Project Plan along with Resolution 15-04. Cook answered several questions Council had presented from past presentations. After the Project Plan is submitted and the project is ranked on the priority list all the documentation is set. The DEQ purchased the bonds. Construction draws are made monthly to be paid to the contractor as a loan to the Village. Principal payments occur in the year after completing of construction. The schedule is currently laid out would be in the year after Spring of 2018.

10. Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to approve and adopt Resolution 15-04 for Wastewater System Improvements and Designating and authorized project representative. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak, Craddock, Flores, Jarvis and McIntosh all voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to grant and approve the request from The Two Rivers Coalition outlined in the agenda memo dated April 10,
2015. All members’ presents voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to waive the license section of Ordinance 360 of 1997 and allow the Paw Paw Days-Uncork the Arts committee to collect license fees of vendors, peddlers, solicitors and transient merchants during Paw Paw Days activities and events from this day Monday, April 13, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Craddock with support from Flores to approve and adopt Resolution 15-03 Adopting Hours Facility Rental Policy with amendments. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. Nielsen updated the Council regarding ongoing business topics; Changes with FOIA, Ordinances 443-447, Restoring Michigan Ave project along with Reconstruction of Michigan. Nielsen thanked the Council for feedback and edits regarding the Ordinances and encouraged the Council to view all the Michigan Legislature changes with FOIA.

15. Plaszczak reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Michigan Ave, and new areas of the Master Plan to work on.

16. Craddock reported he met with Nielsen. Items discussed included; un-union employee rate increases and SRF project.

17. Flores reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Paw Paw Booster Club presented several requests.

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report

21. No report

22. No report

23. No report.

24. No report.

25. No report.

27. Flores commented on the Michigan Ave Road diet survey. Flores thanked the public for all the comments and suggestion during the review process. He encouraged the public to stay engaged with the continued efforts of the Village Council to implement the Master Plan and looked forward to the public’s comments and suggestions moving forward.

28. Larcinese commented on feedback received from the Ackley Lake Association about the most recent request of the Village to lower Maple Lake in the fall of 2015.

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

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                        Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                     Christopher Tapper

Council Comments
McIntosh

Flores

Adjournment
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, April 27, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, April 27, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, (Douglas Craddock excused), Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores, Eric Larcinese, and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of Larcinese to approve corrected the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to approve the corrected minutes of the regular meeting of April 13, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $173,142.50. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Larcinese and Flores.

6. Let the record show no public comment received.

7. Chief Marshall address the Council and audience regarding recognitions of the Paw Paw Police Department, officers and staff. Chief Marshall introduced the newest officer; Justin Murphy who will be filling the share services agreement position with the Van Buren County Sheriff’s Department. Chief Marshall also had recognition for Michigan State Trooper Thomas Coles. Trooper Coles was recognized for his duty and assistances to the Paw Paw Police Department regarding a lifesaving effort during a complaint in the village. Chief Marshall commented his was very proud of all his officers and staff with the continued grow of the Community Policing efforts. Chief Marshall thanked all the officers’ families for their support of his department.

8. Motion Rohr with support from McIntosh to approve and grant the request from the Paw Paw Days Uncork the Arts Committee for the uses in conjunction to Paw Paw Days the use of the Amphitheatre and the grounds at the Carnegie Center from 3:00pm Friday, July 17, 2015 through Sunday, July 19, 2015 along with closing Paw Paw Street from 6:00pm Friday, July 17 through 4:00pm Sunday, July 19, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to approve and accept the bid from ECO Demolition of Holland of Michigan for a price not to exceed $57,500.00. Roll Call vote; Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Jarvis and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.
10. Motion by Rohr with support from Flores to approve staff to post and advertise; Ordinance 443, 444, 445, 446 and 447 for public hearing notice for Monday, June 28, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve staff and direct the Village Manager to cover non-union employee paid increase to cover the increase in cost of health care insurance and increases in MERS. It should be noted the non-union employees pay increase should cover the increases in health insurance and MERS for each non-union employee to be a positive effect to the non-union employees take home pay. Roll call vote; Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Jarvis and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

12. Plaszczak reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Michigan Ave, and new areas of the Master Plan to work on.

13. Rohr reported he met with Nielsen. Items discussed included; un-union employee rate increases and SRF project.

14. Flores reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Ordinances 443-447.

15. No report.


17. No report.

18. No report.

19. Rohr report the Housing Commission met. Items discussed; Master Plan updates.

20. No report.


22. No report.

23. No report.
24. Plaszczak commented on Chief Marshall’s presenting and thanked the Paw Paw Police Department for their continued growth and devotion to the community.

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

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                        Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                          Christopher Tapper

Council Comments
Plaszczak

Adjournment
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, May 11, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, (Marcos Flores excused), (Eric Larcinese 7:40), and (Donne Rohr, excused). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve revised the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve the corrected minutes of the regular meeting of April 27, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Craddock with support of McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $499,717.30. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Larcinese and Flores.

6. Let the record show no public comment received.

7. Motion by McIntosh with support of Larcinese to approve and the grant the request from the McGowan-Johnson Post 68 the use of village streets and sidewalks for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 25, 2015 beginning at 10:00am. All members present voting yes, motion.

8. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to approve the request of the Wine and Harvest Festival Grape Lake 5k and grant the use of North Street from Hazen Street west to the Village limits on Saturday, September 12, 2015 between 9:00am and 11:00am. All members present voting yes, motion.

9. Motion by Larcinese with support of McIntosh to change the Village Council regular meeting date for the month of Monday, May 25, 2015 and move the date to Wednesday, May 27, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion.

10. Nielsen provide an update regarding the Michigan Ave (East) and (West) reconstruction projects. Nielsen noted both project were schedule. The Village was needing to prepay payment for the new traffic signal at Gremps/Michigan and Hazen/Michigan.

11. Plaszczak reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Michigan Ave, and new areas of the Master Plan to work on.

12. Craddock reported he met with Nielsen. Items discussed included; 2015 budget and SRF project
13. McIntosh reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Ordinances 443-447.

14. No report.

15. No report.

16. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met. Items discussed included; township still reviewing the “needs assessment report”. A meeting will be held Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at Paw Paw Township regarding the report.

17. No report

18. Rohr report the Housing Commission met. Items discussed; Master Plan updates.

19. No report.

20. No report.


22. No report.

23. Plaszczak commented on a letter received from the ACLU regarding the Village Ordinances with reference to “Street Performers”.

24. Nielsen provided an update from a Michigan Municipal Managers Association conference that took place last week.

25. Motion by Flores with support of McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                        Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                           Christopher Tapper

Public Services
Parks and Rec.
DDA
Fire Board
Historical Comm.
Housing Commission
Planning Commission
EDC
WHF
Maple Lake & NR &E
Council Comments
Plaszczak
Nielsen
Adjournment
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, May 27, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, May 27, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores, (Eric Larcinese excused), and (Donne Rohr, excused). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to approve revised Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 11, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $215,503.93. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Larcinese and Jarvis.

6. Let the record show no public comment received.

7. Ben & Bonnie Fleckenstein, Black River Enterprises LLC along with Lisa Phillip, Phillips Environmental Consulting were in attendance to discuss the Resolution 15-05. The proposed resolution for consideration outlined the approval local tax capture in support of the Brownfield Plan on the site formally known as the Warren Frank Cannery. Fleckenstein, is also requesting the DDA forgo its tax capture on the property in favor of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. This will allow environmental activates to be completed that are necessary for safe use of the site, and selective demolition. Phillips and Fleckenstein also provided a brief overview of a possibility of Paw Paw Brewing Company site plan.

8. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to approve and adopt Resolution 15-05 Local Tax Capture in support of a Brownfield Plan for the location formally known as the Warren Frank Cannery. Roll Call vote; Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Plaszczak and McIntosh voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by Flores with support of McIntosh and grant St. Mary’s Church permission to hold a Corpus Christi Procession on Sunday, June 7, 2015 beginning at the corner of St. Joseph Street and Brown heading West to Niles Street back to St. Mary’s Church. All members present voting yes, motion.

10. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the approval of the Maple Lake Assisted Living Site Plan for Phase 2 of the facility located at 677 Hazen Street with the following eight conditions listed in the agenda memo dated May 22, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
11. Motion by Jarvis with support of Craddock to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the approval of the Paw Paw Village Pharmacy Site Plan with the following eight conditions listed in the agenda memo dated May 22, 2015 along with the added condition to leave the outlet signs located on the corner of Michigan Ave/La Grave Street. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve and accept the Village Presidents recommendations and appoint; Cindy Mount, Mercantile Bank and Cindy Van Schoyck, Mosaic Home Décor to the Downtown Development Authority Board for term ending March 31, 2016. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to accept the $1,900.00 offer from MDOT and grant an easement in fee for 313 square feet of Village property located on the NW corner of South Kalamazoo Street and Fadel Street and to further authorize the Manager and Clerk to execute the required documents pertaining to the purchase of the easement. Roll call; Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Plaszczak and McIntosh voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to participate in the 2015 Household Hazardous collections program and commit to cover the first $500.00 worth of materials Village of Paw Paw residents bring and further authorize the Manager to execute the agreement. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Nielsen and Small provided more updates regarding the East Michigan resurfacing project along with the West Michigan new construction project. Both projects are projected to be on schedule pending the outcome of weather.


17. Craddock reported he met with Nielsen. Items discussed included; 2015 budget and SRF project

18. Flores reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Ordinances, MDOT signal from Michigan/Hazen Street, parks clean up and mowing, dumpster in the downtown, Maple Lake weed cutting underway and the downtown flower planters being completed.

19. No report.

20. Plaszczak reported the Authority met. Items discussed included; grant awarded, presentation from new CPO officer Samuel Carlsen.


22. Plaszczak reported the Commission met. Items discussed included; proposal for historical treasure hunt along with Paw Paw Corkers baseball schedule.
23. No report

24. No report.

25. Nielsen reported for Larcinese. The committee met. Items discussed included; grant application process along with scholarships awarded to student at Paw Paw Schools.

26. Plaszczak reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Black River Enterprises LLC proposal.

27. No report.

28. No report.

29. Plaszczak commented on Make Lake draw down request.

30. McIntosh commented on the success of Memorial Day parade.

31. Motion by Flores with support of McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                        Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                          Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, June 8, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, June 8, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, and Trustees (Nadine Jarvis excused), Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores, (Eric Larcinese 7:34), and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of McIntosh to approve revised Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Flores with support of Craddock to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 27, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of Larcinese to approve accounts payable in the amount of $202,795.27. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Rohr and Craddock.

6. Wayne Wilhelmi was in attendance to ask several questions related to the Village. Questions included; Michigan Ave (East and West), Maple Lake weed removal, and an update to the Parks and Recreation Plan.

7. Eleanor LaRue was in attendance to ask several questions regarding her ongoing building renovations at 200 East Michigan Ave.

8. Kathy Larson, Chairperson, Planning Commission along with Mike Pioch Planning Commission member with Rebecca Harvey, Planning Consultant were in attendance to discuss the proposed Village of Paw Paw Zoning Amendment’s for a PUD District. Larson and Harvey outlined the development and recommendations of the Revitalization Area PUD zoning amendments.

9. The Planning Commission has held public hearings regarding the PUD District. The District would apply to the area of the Village generally bounded on the North by Lily Street; on the east by Gremps Street; on the west by Briggs Pond and the Paw Paw River; and extending south beyond the railroad right-of-way to include undeveloped properties north of Ampey Road (approximately 35 acres). The subject property is currently with the R-2 Residential District; the R-O Restricted Office District; the B-2 General Business District, and the I-1/I-2 Industrial Districts.

10. The Council thanked Harvey and the Commission members for their development provisions and design requirement to the PUD District amendments. A general discussion ensued regarding the amendments the recommendation of the Planning Commission to Council. Nielsen and Harvey to provide the Council with corrections and bring the proposal back to the Council for final discussion.
11. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve the request from the Domestic Violence Coalition and use Power Plant Road, Kalamazoo Street, Michigan Ave and Hazen Street as mapped on October 3, 2015 between the hours of 2:00 and 3:30 for the purposed annual run. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock and grant Knights of Columbus use of various Village Streets and sidewalks on July 20, 2015 for the purpose of conducting their annual Tootsie Roll Drive. All members present voting yes, motion.

13. Motion by Rohr with support of Larcinese to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the approval of TNT Fireworks Special Land Use/Site Plan request at 1013 South Kalamazoo the following five conditions listed in the agenda memo dated June 5, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. For the record Larcinese asked to be removed from the discussion and vote, because of conflict of interest. Plaszcak thanked Larcinese for his comments.

15. Motion by Flores with support of Craddock to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant the approval of the Multani Marathon Site Plan amendments with the following eight conditions listed in the agenda memo dated June 5, 2015 along with the added condition to apply matching siding to the storage building on the west side of the new constructed site. All members present voting yes, Larcinese abstaining, motion carried.

16. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve and accept Resolution 15-06 seeking two parcel of land 80-47-583-050-00 and 80-47-583-049-00 from the Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority and to further authorize the Village Manager to make the request on behalf. Roll call vote; Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszcak, McIntosh and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

17. Nielsen and stuff provided an update regarding new legislation the Village, as all local governments, must comply with mandated requirements for compliance with State Freedom of Information Act. The new mandates are intended to allow greater and standard access to public documents all across the state. Action is sought before the July 1, 2015 deadline.

18. Nielsen and Small provided more updates regarding the East Michigan resurfacing project along with the West Michigan new construction project. Both projects are projected to be on schedule pending the outcome of weather.

19. No report.

20. No report.
21. Flores reported the committee met. Items discussed included; Michigan Ave, Maple Island and other department updates. in the downtown, Maple Lake weed

22. No report.

23. No report.

24. No report.

25. No report.

26. No report

27. No report.

28. No report.

29. No report.

30. No report.

31. No report.

32. Flores commented on the loss of former Village Council Trustee and Zoning Board of Appeals Member George Kolosar. Flores noted Kolosar was a wonderful asset to the Village and thanked the Kolosar family for his years of services to the community.

33. Larcinese comments on several communities he had visited and cautions the Council of moving forward with several “Place Making” ideas. In the communities he had visited those communities were experiencing more homeless person’s living in area Parks because of the opportunity of more public setting.

34. Motion by Flores with support of McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Roman Plaszczak
Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, June 22, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday June 22, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small and Community Development Officer Leonard Lux.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of Larcinese to approve the Agenda for Monday June 22, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Rohr to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of June 8, 2015 as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Craddock with support of Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $722,019.52. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and Rohr.

6. Lyn and Sharon Stevens requested the Village Council consider revising the the sign portion of the current Rummage Sales ordinance to allow limited off-site signs. The Council took their suggestions under advisement.

7. Sharon and Lyn Stevens offered suggestions for vacant downtown store windows. The Council thanked them for their suggestions.

8. Eleanor LaRue addressed the Council with regard to her upper floor windows seeking redress from the court agreement on the building she occupies and which is owned by Don and Beth LaRue. Plaszczak, Nielsen and Lux responded regarding the request indicating any change to the court agreement would be handled through attorneys and the court. Comments regarding the proposed ordinance were deferred to the Public Hearing later on the agenda.

9. Herb Grassow addressed the Council regarding sidewalks along the east side of Elm and the lack of ADA crosswalks at Niles and Paw Paw and Niles and Elm streets. Mr. Grassow also commented a dog park would be great, the trucks at the main intersection are scary, and wondered if some downtown businesses could be required to make their entrances ADA compliant. ADA, Americans with Disabilities Act. The Council thanked him for the information regarding crosswalks and sidewalks noting staff will address his concerns.

10. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddoc to recess and open Public Hearing on proposed ordinances 443 through 447. Roll call with all members present in the affirmative. The Public Hear commenced at 8:10 PM.

11. President Plaszczak asked if there were any comments on Ordinance 443 regarding animal excrement. The Stevens commented where they live, outside the
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Regular Meeting, June 22, 2015

Village, owners pick up after their pets and were surprised Paw Paw doesn’t have such. No further comment received.

12. President Plaszczak asked if there was any comment on Ordinance 444 Prohibiting Feeding of Waterfowl and 445 Prohibiting Use of Indoor Furniture Outdoors after 48 hours. No comments were received.

13. President asked if there were any comments regard Ordinance 446 setting standards for board of doors and windows. Eleanor LaRue suggested the ordinance could offer more options than window replacement. No other comments were received.

14. President Plaszczak asked if there were any comments on proposed ordinance 447 setting parameters for when the Village may require electrical inspections prior to reestablishing electrical service. No comments were received.

15. There being no further comments, Rohr moved and Craddock supported a motion to close the Public hearing at 8:20 PM. Motion carried with all members present voting in the affirmative.

16. Flores moved with support from Jarvis to recess and open the Public Hearing regarding the Truth in Taxation levy resolution. All members present voted to open the Public Hearing at 8:21 PM.

17. Nielsen explained the annual consideration of the authorized levy of Village millages for general operations and road operations due to the Headlee and Truth in Taxation legislation.

18. President Plaszczak asked if there were any comments. No further comments were received. McIntosh moved with support from Rohr to close the Public Hearing at 8:26 PM. All members present voted in the affirmative and the Hearing was closed. The regular Council meeting reconvened.

19. Requests to use Village Properties were made by the Wine and Harvest festival and the Paw Paw Area Chamber of Commerce.

McIntosh moved with support from Jarvis to grant the request and close Dyckman Street September 12, 2015 between 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM for the Rotary Grape Escape Motorcycle Run. Motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative.

McIntosh moved with support from Jarvis to grant the request and close Harry Bush Blvd. September 12, 2015 between 10:00 AM and 2:30 PM for the PPFD Waterball Competition. Motion carried with members voting in the affirmative.

Rohr moved with support from Jarvis to grant the request and allow use of the Briggs Pond Parking Lot on September 13, 2015 at approximately 2:00 PM for the dropping of the Ducks for the Lions Club. A parking space will be reserved for this use with the remainder of the lot open.
Jarvis moved with support from McIntosh to **grant** the request and **allow** the Chamber of Commerce to use Village property at 125 Industrial Avenue September 9 through 13, 2015 for their annual carnival in connection with the Wine and Harvest Festival.

20. Flores moved with support from Jarvis to adopt ordinance 443 requiring proper disposal of animal excrement when said animal deposit excrement on public or another person’s private property and to set penalties for violations. Following a roll call vote the motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative. The ordinance will be published and go into effect 20 days later.

21. Craddock moved with support of Rohr to adopt Ordinance 444 prohibiting feeding of waterfowl from public property. Larcinese stated the issue was one of education and worried how it may be enforced over the years by different staff and Councilmembers. Larcinese preferred encouraging cooperation with the spirit of the ordinance via education rather than punishment. Following a roll call vote the motion carried with six members voting in the affirmative and with one, Larcinese, opposed. The ordinance will be published and go into effect 20 days later.

22. McIntosh moved with support from Jarvis to adopt Ordinance 445 allowing use of indoor (home and vehicle) furniture for periods not to exceed 48 hours, thus, prohibiting longer outdoor use of indoor furniture and setting penalties for violations. Following a roll call vote the motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative. The ordinance will be published and go into effect 20 days later.

23. McIntosh moved with support from Jarvis to adopt Ordinance 446 setting standards and timeframes for boarding of doors and windows. Larcinese asked about the ordinance’s impact on existing building. Plaszczak responded that existing buildings are ‘grandfathered’ per zoning law and would only have to comply when they take on new renovation or construction. Flores asked about materials to be used. Nielsen and Lux responded the materials used would have to meet code-fitting structurally with the building. Following a roll call vote the motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative. The ordinance will be published and go into effect 20 days later.

24. Flores moved with support from McIntosh to adopt Ordinance 447 setting conditions when the Village may request electrical inspections. Flores offer a personal example of the benefit of electrical inspections. Larcinese sought details behind the paragraph allowing inspections, regardless of the time factors, per the International Property Maintenance Code in Chapter 6, sections 601.1 through 607.1. Nielsen apologized for not providing the wording of those sections for this meeting. Lux and Small gave some examples of when the sections could come into effect. Nielsen indicated the sections can freely be accessed via the internet. Following a roll call vote the motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative. The ordinance will be published and go into effect 20 days later.
25. Flores moved with support from Jarvis to adopt Resolution 15-07 and accept the millage increase of 1.59% under the Truth in Taxation legislation. McIntosh presented the statute calling the action an increase when the actual millage rate will be less. She also noted, voting no would be a permanent decrease in millage rates and further hinder the Village’s ability to finance general operations and road operations. Following a roll call vote the motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative. The Resolution was adopted.

26. Jarvis moved with support from Rohr to adopt the FOIA guidelines, request forms and fee schedules as presented and required by State statute. Mover and supporter accepted and amendment to the motion to include adding the adoption date to all materials. With all members voting in the affirmative, motion carried.

27. The agenda included the opportunity for comments regarding PA 295 and the Village’s renewable energy plan. Following this second opportunity, the Village will provide an annual report for 2014 for all electric customers. The report will be included in customer utility bills.

28. The Finance and Administration Committee Recommended renewal of the Manager’s employment agreement. The prior agreement ended August 20, 2014. This agreement would be through August 20, 2017 and include an increase of $1,250 in a retirement account benefit. No other changes were recommended, the base salary remains the same through the duration of the agreement. Rohr moved with Jarvis supporting a motion to adopt the Employment Agreement. With all members voting in the affirmative, the motion carried. Rohr also reported the Committee is looking into an assistant manager position and requested the item be on the next agenda.

29. Flores reported the Public Services Committee received the comment on banners from the Village attorneys and will report further. He also noted the 2014 Water Quality report is completed and distributed. Flores noted goose round-ups have been canceled due to the threat of avian flu. The Committee also heard and discussed a number of updates on departmental activities.

30. Jarvis reported the next meeting is July 6th.

31. Plaszczak reported on a $2,500 DDA grant award for 110 S. LaGrave.

32. Larcinese reported next meeting is July 7th.

33. Plaszczak reported the Committee met June 17th.

34. Rohr reported the Housing Commission is moving forward with RAD designation and will report in greater detail at a future meeting.

35. Jarvis reported the next meeting is July 2nd.

36. Wellhead protection Committee submitted their grant application for the next year.
37. Plaszczak reported the EDC met June 16th to continue review of the Black Rivers Enterprise project.

38. Craddock reported the next meeting is July 1st.

39. No report, Next meeting to be determined.

40. Larcinese noted it has been about a year since the Council wanted to explore including tornado warnings in the Village’s siren system. Small will revisit the requirements and report at a future meeting.

Flores commented on the Michigan Avenue Reconstruction project and advised people to ‘hang in there.’

McIntosh noted an upcoming meeting with State Representative Aric Nesbitt.

41. Nielsen thanked the Council for action on his employment agreement.

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

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak

Village Manager,  
Larry Nielsen
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday July 13, 2015, convened at 7:32 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees (Douglas Craddock excused), Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda for Monday July 13, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of June 22, 2015 as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $664,957.32. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Craddock and Larcinese.

6. Let the record show no public comment was offered.

7. Ginger Smietana was in attendance to provide a presentation to the Council regarding this weekend’s Paw Paw Days Uncork the Arts. Smietana provided maps, events list and ticket locations. Smietana explained the committee was expecting to sell two thousand passes to the events. Smietana thanked the Council for their support.

8. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to accept and approve the request from the Paw Paw Fire Chief, Gary Brown Jr. the use of 125 Industrial Ave to complete fire department hose and water testing on July 15, 2015. Testing will be done during the day and completed by 3:00 pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Nielsen updated the Council with regards to the Paw Paw Berkshire housing development. The General Capital Group proposing the Berkshire Paw Paw mixed use senior housing development received their notice of award for roughly $800,000.00 in tax credit financing. A final report will be submit to the Council in the coming months.

10. The Council and staff thanked Nielsen for his commitment and hard work regarding this project. Nielsen has worked long and countless hours with various committees and organizations to provide local support for this project. The project will be a tremendous community improvement to the Central Business Downtown overlay.

11. Nielsen reported the Village’s request for winter drawdowns of Maple Lake has been approved by the MDEQ. Small provided copies of the permit to the Council.
12. The Finance and Administration Committee met. Rohr reported the Committee is looking into an assistant manager position. Nielsen and the committee provided a possible job description and asked the Council to review the proposal.

13. Flores reported the Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; proposed trail head at the Industrial Ave site, water tower damage from last storm, along with lift station damages, review of the rummage sale amendments and Maple Lake Association picnic.

14. Jarvis reported the July 6th meeting was cancelled.

15. Plaszczak reported next meeting is July 20th.

16. Rohr reported the July 7th meeting took place. Meeting discussion took place regarding the “Needs Assessment Report”

17. No report.

18. No report.

19. Jarvis reported the July 2nd meeting took place. Items discussed included the Council amendments to the PUD ordinance.

20. No report.

21. Plaszczak reported the EDC met June 16th to continue review of the Black Rivers Enterprise project.

22. No report.

23. No report.

24. Plaszczak reported his drive around the community. Plaszczak commented on well the area Parks looked along with the how the construction project was moving along.

25. Flores commented on the continued efforts with regards to the tornado warning policy in the Village.

26. Nielsen thanked the Council for continued support with regards to the efforts of Maple Lake and the drawdown efforts. Nielsen also reported on a FEMA meeting he attended.
27. Motion by Flores with support by Larcinese to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.  

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, ɴے
Roman Plasczak

Village Clerk,
Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday July 27, 2015, convened at 7:32 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, (Marcos Flores excused) Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda for Monday July 27, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of July 13, 2015 as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Craddock to approve accounts payable in the amount of $195,869.68. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Jarvis and McIntosh.

6. Let the record show no public comment was offered.

7. Mickey Bittner and Anna Keehn from Wightman and Associates were in attendance to discuss and update the Council regarding the progress of the Michigan Ave Reconstruction Project. Bittner explained the project is moving well, but was approximately a week behind in construction schedule.

8. It was the consensus of the Council to ask the Planning Commission Members to attend the next meeting to discuss further the PUD text amendments.

9. The Council thanked Nielsen for his efforts in amending text with regards to the Second hands Goods Ordinances. The Council consensus was to continue the review and send comments to the Manager.

10. The Finance and Administration Committee met. Rohr reported the Committee is looking into an assistant manager position. Nielsen and the committee provided a possible job description and asked the Council to review the proposal.

11. No report


13. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed included; business grants approved, and discussion with the pending PUD and the Paw Paw Brewing Company project.

14. No report.
15. No report.

16. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed included; RAD Project.

17. No report

18. No report.

19. Plaszczak reported the EDC met June 16th to continue review of the Black Rivers Enterprise project.

20. No report.


22. Plaszczak reported how successful Paw Paw Days schedule was.

23. Nielsen commented on the possibility of engage Paul Lippens, McKenna regarding traffic study. Nielsen also commented regarding the possibility of a property donations. Nielsen asked to have both topics included in the next agenda.

24. Motion by Larcinese with support by Rohr to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak Christopher Tapper

Historical Comm. Housing Commission
Planning Commission Wellhead Protection
EDC
WHF
Maple Lake
& NR &E
Council Comments
Plaszczak
Manager Comment
Adjournment
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, August 10, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday August 10, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Village Planner, Rebecca Harvey and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda for Monday August 10, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of July 27, 2015. All members present voting yes, Flores abstaining, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $443,556.86. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Rohr and Larcinese.

6. Sharon and Lynn Stevens offer positive comments regarding the historical pictures in the Ben Franklin building downtown.

7. Wayne Wilhelmi was in attendance to discuss the Michigan Ave road reconstruction along with concerns of power outages in the past few weeks. Wilhelmi thanked the Council for the information.

8. Rebecca Harvey, Village Planner was present to offer recommendations from the Planning Commission regarding three items; site plan for the Paw Paw Brewing Company, Text Amendment regarding Farmers Markets and Text Amendment regarding subsection (8) Minimum Landscape Requirements. Harvey comment the Planning Commission has been working through the plans and amendments with several other recommendations from staff and other communities. Also in attendance with Ben and Bonnie Fleckenstein to provide comments regarding proposed site plan approval with the new Paw Paw Brewing Company located at the old Warren Frank Cannery site.

9. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission and accept the site planning submitted by Black River Enterprise (Paw Paw Brewing Company) 828 Duo Tang Road, with the following conditions listed in the agenda memo dated August 10, 2015.

1) Village Council adoption of the PUD District and related rezoning within the Village Revitalization Area;

2) Provision of the following additional information and an administrative determination of compliance with Ordinance standards; doorway and window calculations for the portion of the renovated building area that will face the
adjacent trail way or parking areas; exterior finish materials for the portion of the portion of the renovated building area that will face the adjacent trail way or parking areas

3) Acceptance of the cross-access and shared arrangement with the property adjacent to the east to meet access and parking requirements;

4) Acceptance of the proposed on site landscaping;

5) Village Fire Department review/approval;

6) Demonstration of compliance with the storm water disposal design criteria set forth in Section 42-403 (3) q. and the review/approval of the Village Department of Public Works;

7) Village Public Utilities Department review/approval of all proposed utility extensions/connections;

8) All utilities (telephone, electric, cable) shall be placed underground;

9) Any proposed signage shall be subject to compliance with Ordinance standards and shall require a sign permit;

10) Compliance with lighting standards set forth in Section 42-405;

11) Placement of benches and trash receptacles with the plaza area along the proposed trail and near the cross-access sidewalks to benefit pedestrian activity;

12) Compliance with all local, County and State ordinance, regulations and laws.

13) Good standing with all obligations to the Village of Paw Paw (Administrative review to determine if any debts or violations to Village exist)

All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve and accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission and grant the text amendment allowing the setting standards for farmers markets within the Village of Paw Paw. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission and grant the text amendment allowing revisions to subsection (8) of section 42-406. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the request from staff to set public hearing notices to take public comment to use Community Development Block Grant and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality funds for the projects at 322 East Michigan Ave (Paw Paw Village Pharmacy) 308 East Michigan Ave (Berkshire Paw Paw) and 204 South Kalamazoo Street
(Brenda Atkinson). Staff request the public hearing to take place Monday, September 14, 2015 to begin shortly after 7:30. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. It was the consensus of the Council not to seek any action regarding the delinquent property tax sales offered by the Van Buren County Treasurer at 321 Elm Street and 306 N Gremps Street.

14. Larcinese reported to the Council regarding the Paw Paw Community Fire Department authorizing a needs assessment study for their current operation. The study recommendation group around the additional space for department needs. The Fire Board is considering whether or not to pursue both long range plans and site study. Larcinese thanked Nielsen for his insight and report regarding several different financing options regarding the assessment study. Larcinese noted the Fire Board was now waiting for feedback from each Township in the multi-unit Department on whether to proceed with study.

15. Small reported the Michigan Ave reconstruction project was moving closer to its accomplishment date. Small noted the project was now moved onto the North side of the street. The North side of Michigan Ave will be focusing on new water lines and water mains.

16. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Craddock, to accept the Planning Commission’s recommendation to adopt the proposed Village Revitalization Area Planned Unit Development (PUD) District (as revised by the Planning Commission on 7.02.15) and to amend the zoning district boundaries within the Village of Paw Paw so as to apply the Village Revitalization Area Planned Unit Development (PUD) District to those properties located within the Village Revitalization Area as defined in the Village Revitalization Subarea Plan set forth in the Village of Paw Paw Master Plan. Roll Call vote; Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak and McIntosh all voting yes, motion carried.

17. It was the consensus of the Council to leave the Second Hand Goods Ordinance as is without changes. The Council consensus was the ordinance was defined and written appropriately for the usages within the Village of Paw Paw.

18. Motion by Rohr with support by Larcinese to approve and accept the recommendation from staff to acquire by donation the property listed at 305 Davis Street and direct Village Staff and Village Attorney to prepare the Quit Claim Deed for the transfer of the property to the Village of Paw Paw. The Council thanked property owner Rose Rook for the donation offer. The vacant lot is un-buildable due to the Village Sanitary Sewer line than runs north and south through the lot. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

19. The Finance and Administration Committee met. Rohr reported the Committee is looking into an assistant manager position. The committee also review a request to inquire about 457 saving accounts for employees along with a cost saving review of mailing services.
20. The Department of Public Services Committee met. Flores reported the Committee discussed; Paw Paw Brewing site plan, downtown dumpsters relocation request from Old National Bank, Michigan Ave reconstruction project and power outages


23. August 17, 2015

24. Already reported.

25. TBD.


27. Already reported.

28. Nielsen reported the committee met. Committee submitting annual grant request.

29. TBD.

30. Craddock noted the committee is getting final stages together for Festival in September. Volunteers always needed.

31. TBD

32. Plaszczak commented on a news article listing Paw Paw as one of the most beautiful small towns in the State of Michigan. Thanked all departments and staff of their continued dedication to the community.

33. Flores commented he would like to see staff review and research the possibilities of accepting credit card processing for payment on utility bills. Flores also commented on the safety concerns regarding the driving traffic in the Michigan Ave construction zones. Flores thanked the Police Department for their continue effort to keep people safe, but is still concerned about the traffic going the wrong way through the construction zones.

34. Motion by Flores with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak  Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday August 24, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, (Marcos Flores, excused) Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh and (Donne Rohr, excused). Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Larcinese with support of Jarvis to approve the Agenda for Monday August 10, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $790,313.86. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and Larcinese. It was noted of the new accounts payable cycle due to the committees now meeting at the Paw Paw District Library.

5. Motion by Jarvis with support of Larcinese to table approval of the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of August 10, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Let the record show no public comment was received.

7. Ken Berthiaume, from Berthiaume & Company Inc was in attendance to present to the Council the fiscal year end 2015 audit report. Berthiaume, thanked Village Manager, Nielsen, Village Clerk, Tapper and finance & administration support services Siegfried Crandall PC for all their preparation in this year audit.

8. Berthiaume noted of the net assets increases in the Village overall financial health. The increases overall to the General Fund and the Enterprise Funds. Berthiaume commented on the capital projects the Village accomplished in fiscal year 2015. Other highlights included the reduction in debt services with the Water and Sewer Funds, increase in cash values and increases in revenues. Berthiaume commented on the importance of continuing to review the Enterprise Funds rate schedules.

9. The Water and Sewer Fund saw increases in overall health one of the key factors was rate increases in the Water and Sewer funds. Other notes included; continuing to review rate schedule with the Motor Pool Fund. Berthiaume commented of the year balances in the Motor Pool Fund and the need to address the rate structure. Berthiaume lastly address the Village of Paw Paw pension program with MERS. Berthiaume noted of the reporting changes addressed by GASB. The pension liabilities will be reported differently to comply with the new standards set by GASB. The Villages liabilities continues to increase as more employees retire. Berthiaume again thanked the Council for the opportunity to preform audit services and made note he is always available for questions and comments any time throughout the year.
10. Motion by Larcinese with support from Craddock to approve and accept the Village of Paw Paw Fiscal year 2015 audit as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve and accept the request from the Paw Paw Middle School PTO and allow use of Village Streets between 8:00 am and 12:00 on October 17, 2015 to conduct a 5K run for fun. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Jarvis with support from Craddock to approve and accept the Resolution 15-08 and allow the Van Buren County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority to capture taxes for up to a 15-year period for eligible brownfield activates related to the $930,000 project beginning by the Paw Paw Village Pharmacy located 322 East Michigan Ave. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh and Jarvis voting yes, motion carried.

13. Small reported the Michigan Ave reconstruction project was moving closer to it accomplishment date. Small noted the project was now moved onto the North side of the street. The North side of Michigan Ave will be focusing on new water lines and water mains.

14. The Finance and Administration Committee met. Craddock noted; Nielsen, Tapper and Berthiaume review the audit presentation.

15. The Department of Public Services Committee met. McIntosh noted; review of the Michigan Ave reconstruction progress.


18. Plaszczak reported the DDA met. Items discussed included; grant approvals along with approval for Paw Paw Village Pharmacy resolution.


20. TBD.


23. No report.

24. TBD.

25. Craddock noted the committee is getting final stages together for Festival in September. Volunteers always needed.
26. TBD

27. Plaszczak asked Small to update the Council regarding an award with the AWWA. Small reported to the Council the Village of Paw Paw had just received notice the Village had been awarded a national Well head Program achievement.

28. McIntosh asked staff to review security cameras in the Village again. McIntosh believes the Village needs to be more proactive with this topic.

29. Larcinese commented regarding the break in at a local gas station not in the Village. Larcinese made note of the County response time to the business. Larcinese noted the Village Police Departments response time to business in the Village exceeds expectations of the community and Village businesses are greatly appreciated of such response time.

30. Jarvis thanked staff for sign her up for the education opportunity regarding Michigan inland Lakes. Jarvis noted the guess note speaker was Village Manager, Nielsen and remarked on how lucky the Village was to have Nielsen as a leader in the community.

31. Motion by Flores with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                         Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday September 14, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President (Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, excused) and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, (Nadine Jarvis, excused), Mary McIntosh and (Donne Rohr, excused). Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Craddock with support of McIntosh to approve the Agenda for Monday September 14, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to approval of the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of August 24, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $793,458.80. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Craddock and Jarvis.

6. Let the record show no public comment was received.

7. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to recess the regular session and enter into a public hearing at 7:35 for the purpose of taking comments regarding the applications for Community Development Block Grants for properties at 322 East Michigan Ave and 204 South Kalamazoo Street. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Let the record show no public comments was received.

9. Nielsen reported to the Council of proposed Resolution 15-09 authorizing submittal of an application to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The resolution outlines the submittal of the job development grant along with the estimated amount of $1,114,375 investment of the project when completed.

10. Nielsen reported to the Council of the proposed Resolution 15-11 authorizing submittal of an application to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The resolution outlines the submittal of the redevelopment of property 204 South Kalamazoo Street. The application is for a $150,000.00 Revolving Loan with private investment of $45,000.00.

11. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to close the public hearing and reenter regular session at 7:50. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
12. Motion by McIntosh with support Craddock to grant the request of the Paw Paw Area Rotary Club and allow the use of Village Street, sidewalks and in kind services from the Police Department and Department of Public Services on December 12, 2015 for a 5K run/walk. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Craddock with support from Flores to grant the request of the Midwest Brass and Gas Club and allow the use of Village of Paw Paw property at 125 Industrial Avenue on August 23-26, 2016 for the parking of tour trailers and vehicles. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support from Flores to approve Resolution 15-09 Approval of submittal of a Michigan Economic Development Corporation Community Development Block Grant & RLF Application for the Village Pharmacy 322 East Michigan Ave, and authorize the Village Manager and Village to sign the applications form on behalf of the Village of Paw Paw. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh and Flores voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion by Flores with support from McIntosh to approve Resolution 15-10 Designation of 204 South Kalamazoo Street as a Blighted Site. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh and Flores voting yes, motion carried.

16. Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to approve Resolution 15-11 Approval of Submittal of a Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MDEC) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) RLF Loan Application for the Redevelopment Project and authorize the Village Manager and Village to sign the applications form on behalf of the Village of Paw Paw at 204 South Kalamazoo Street. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh and Flores voting yes, motion carried.

17. It was the consensus of the Council to table the discussion until more members were present for the discussion.

18. Nielsen reported to the Council of noble work of the Department of Public Services and the Director for the work and efforts put toward the accomplishment of completing the Michigan Ave Reconstruction project. Nielsen noted the project still had some small items felt, but the “major” reconstruction was completed. Nielsen thanked Small and his department for a 75 day turnaround of the reconstruction. Nielsen noted all of the reconstruction efforts were handled with few if little complaints.

19. The Finance and Administration Committee met. Craddock noted; Nielsen, and his discussed several topics including; USDA grant, Motor Pool and other budget items.

20. Motion by Craddock with support from McIntosh to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee to allow staff to apply for grants available from USDA for vehicle purchase on behalf of the Motor Pool. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
21. The Department of Public Services Committee met. Flores noted the committee review the Michigan Ave reconstruction project and with Well Head Protection award to the Village of Paw Paw.

22. No report.


24. September 21, 2015


26. TBD.

27. September 21, 2015


29. No report.

30. TBD.

31. September 30, 2015

32. TBD

33. Plaszczak commented on the successes of the 2015 Wine and Harvest Festival. Plaszczak noted he believed the Village looked very clean and respectable, large numbers of people were in town and the weather was outstanding. Plaszczak also noted of positive comments regarding the police presents in town over the weekend and thank the Chief of Police for having extra support via the Van Buren County Sheriff’s Department along with the State Police.

34. McIntosh noted of the positive comments of the WHF 2015 and thanked the Paw Paw Service League.

35. Nielsen also wanted to note the successes of the 2015 Wine and Harvest Festival.

36. Motion by Flores with support by Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday September 28, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

Meeting Convened

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, excused), Nadine Jarvis, (Mary McIntosh, excused) and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

Members Present

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda for Monday September 28, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve of the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of August 10, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approved Minutes

5. Motion by Craddock with support of Rohr to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of September 14, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Jarvis with support of Craddock to approve accounts payable in the amount of $245,575.35. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and Larcinese.

Accounts Payable

7. Let the record show no public comment was received.

Public Comment

8. Motion by Jarvis with support of Larcinese to recess the regular session and enter into a public hearing at 7:36 for the purpose of taking comments regarding the Paw Paw Housing Commission, Non-Profit Housing Corp PILOT request. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Public Hearing

9. Let the record show no public comments was received.

10. Patricia Winston, Director of the Paw Paw Housing Commission was present to discuss the proposal for a PILOT agreement with the Village of Paw Paw. Winston address the change in organizational structure to a non-profit housing corporation status. The changes are a secure funding stream for the public housing efforts in Paw Paw. The changes are necessitation a new Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement because the funding method will change. The new proposal being requested in similar to the Vintage Apartment agreement.

PILOT request

11. Nielsen noted a copy of the proposal was submitted for Council review. Ordinance 450 Tax Exemption.

12. Motion by Larcinese with support of Jarvis to close the public hearing and reenter regular session at 8:01. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
13. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve Ordinance 450 as presented which establishes a Payment in Lieu of Taxes for the Paw Paw Non-Profit Development Corporation. Roll call; Craddock, Larcinese, Plaszczak, Jarvis and Rohr. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by Rohr with support from Larcinese to grant the request of the Paw Paw High School Homecoming Parade Committee and allow the use of Village Streets and sidewalks on October 2, 2015 between 4:50 to 5:00. Rohr noted the in kind services provided by the Paw Paw Police Department along with the Department of Public Services for the street closure. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion by Jarvis with support from Craddock and adopt the MERS 457 Resolution and authorize the establishment of a 457 Retirement accounts for employees of the Village of Paw Paw and authorize the Village Manager to execute the resolution. Nielsen noted the resolution was an employee funded account, not an employer funded account. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Motion by Craddock with support from Jarvis to adopt the Point and Pay program allowing payment of Village services by debit and credit and authorize the establishment of a 3% service fee with a $2.00 minimum to cover the transaction cost associated with debit and credit payment for Village customers and authorize staff to execute the agreements. All member present voting yes, motion carried.

17. Motion by Larcinese with support from Craddock to grand and approve the recommendation of option 2 a 30 year SRF bond financing for the Village of Paw Paw Sewer Project. Larcinese noted the option was loan forgiveness of the Village contribution of $2.5 million towards the project. Roll call; Craddock, Larcinese, Plaszczak, Jarvis and Rohr. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

18. No report.

19. The Department of Public Services Committee met. Jarvis noted the committee review the Michigan Ave reconstruction project and Well Head Protection award, along with an update regarding Motor Pool equipment.

20. No report.


22. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Plaszczak noted several grants were approved.

23. October 6, 2015.
24. TBD.

25. Rohr noted the Commission continued discussion regarding PILOT


27. No report.

28. TBD.

29. September 30, 2015

30. TBD

31. Plaszczak commented on the Maple Lake draw down will begin October 5, 2015.

32. Nielsen commented on the continued progresses still being done regarding the Michigan Ave project, Michigan Land Bank request for 139 Commercial Ave, Walmart water and sewer extensions, Wine & Harvest in kind services report and Police Department receiving grant from Walmart.

33. Motion by Jarvis with support by Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak          Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, October 12, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday October 12, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh, and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda for Monday October 12, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve of the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of September 28, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $652,897.96. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Rohr and McIntosh.

6. Let the record show no public comment was received.

7. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to grant the request of the Freshwater Church and allow the use of Village Streets/Sidewalks and waiving of the Noise Ordinance between 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 18, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to grant the request of the Paw Paw Area Chamber of Commerce and allow the use of Village Streets/Sidewalks and one parking lot as detailed in the request dated the 20th annual Paw Paw Days on July 15 and July 16, 2016. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to adopt Resolution 15-12 and authorize the acceptance of the Walmart infrastructure system site sanitary sewer and water system into the Village of Paw Paw system. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to participate as one of 10 communities in Region 8 and authorize payment of a cost not to exceed $5000.00 towards a Target Market Analysis for the Village of Paw Paw. All member present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to purchase a 1997 International single combination sewer vacuum/high pressure jet rodder from Jack Doheny Company for a price not to exceed $119,500.00. McIntosh noted the purchase outlines fund forgiveness from the Water, Sewer, Electric and Municipal Road Funds to the Motor Pool Fund. Roll call; Flores, Craddock, Larcinese,
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, October 12, 2015

Plaszczak, Jarvis, McIntosh and Rohr. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Small and Nielsen updated the Council on the winter drawdown of Maple Lake. A general discussion ensued regarding the pros/cons of lowering the lake level during the winter months. Small noted the MDEQ permit was issued for the next three years, so the Village would be lowering the lake the next three October’s.

13. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve a Shared Service Agreement with the Village of Lawrence for the services of a Wastewater operator pending similar approval by the Lawrence Village Council, and authorize the Village Manager to execute the agreement as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. No report.

15. No report


17. Meeting schedule November 2, 2015.


20. TBD.

21. Meeting schedule October 19, 2015


23. TBD.

24. TBD.

25. Meeting schedule November 4, 2015

26. TBD

27. Plaszczak commented the Community Thanksgiving was not scheduled for this year. More notes and information to follow.

28. McIntosh noted of several visits to other communities of the same demographics of the Village of Paw Paw, and the need for condo development needed.
29. Nielsen noted of the support of the Police Department with the Domestic Violence Coalition event the past week. Nielsen also provided an update to the Council of community comparison of water-sewer rates.

30. Motion by Jarvis with support by Flores to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village Manager

Village President,
Roman Plaszczak

Adjournment

Village Clerk,
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, October 26, 2015

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday October, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw District Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.


3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda for Monday October 26, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of October 12, 2015 as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $717,943.50. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Craddock and Jarvis.

6. Annie Brown was present to introduce herself to the Village Council.

7. Van Buren County Prosecutor Michael Bedford was present to address the Council. Bedford introduced the Prosecutor’s Service Dog, Taya. Taya assists in calming children who are involved with the Prosecutor’s office. In other matters, Bedford indicated his office now files briefs on all cases and challenges. Plaszczak indicated, from his experience the office is very efficient and well organized. Council members thanked Bedford for bringing Taya and his presentation.

8. Chief Eric Marshall highlighted the third year of project TEAM that is operating in the public schools - K-Middle School - and in the Lutheran school. The program is very effective and continues to receive accolades. Besides the benefits of the curricula, the programs develops a lasting rapport between Police Officers and children. Two new classes are being developed and will be added to the current list of classes.

9. Manager Nielsen indicated the Master Plan Committee reviewed the proposal, asked all to review the proposal, and indicated an action item would be on the agenda at the next Council Meeting, November 9, 2015.

10. Motion by McIntosh with support of Rohr to grant permission to the DDA to use Village Streets for the annual Children’s Christmas Parade, December 5, 2015. All members voting yes, the motion carried.

11. Manager Nielsen noted the updated reductions in sediment and nutrients due to the 319 Grant and that a more complete report would be provided at a future meeting.
12. The Finance and Administration Committee reported they are looking at the next budget year.

13. Flores reported the Public Services Committee discussed the following; 1) dumpsters, 2) leaf pick up beginning, 3) brush pick up has ended, 4) Well 8 motor is being replaced, 5) Vac Truck has been ordered, and 6) the American Water Works Association honored Paw Paw with its State Wellhead Protection award and is now evaluating its national entries.

14. Jarvis reported the next meeting is Nov. 2nd.

15. Plaszczak reported on three DDA grant awards.

16. Larcinese reported next meeting is Nov., 3rd.

17. Plaszczak reported the Committee TBD.

18. Rohr reported the Housing Commission’s south building boiler needs to be replaced.

19. Jarvis reported the next meeting is Nov. 5th.

20. Nielsen reported the Wellhead Protection Committee met Oct. 26th and is continuing to work on the video and other projects for the coming year.


22. Craddock reported the next meeting is Nov. 4th.

23. No report, Next meeting to be determined.

24. McIntosh noted the need for more upscale housing in Paw Paw and hoped the Target Market Analysis and the Master Plan Update would help with such. Flores commented local Churches are considering sponsorship of the Community Thanksgiving Dinner. Plaszczak noted the DDA Safe Trick or Treating is Friday between 3 & 5 pm downtown. He also noted how busy the town is in the evenings.

25. Motion by McIntosh with support by Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Manager,
Roman Plaszczak                                           Larry Nielsen
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday November 9, 2015, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Pro Tem Larcinese presiding.

2. Present: (President Plaszczak excused), President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Mary McIntosh, and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Larry Nielsen, Public Services Director John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve the corrected Agenda for Monday November 9, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Craddock to approve of the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of October 26, 2015. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $243,346.65. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and McIntosh.

6. Amy Craddock was in attendance to invite the Council and audience to the Christmas tree lighting event December 4, 2015 along with the Christmas parade schedule for December 5, 2015.

7. Matt Meersman, Van Buren County Conservation District was present to update the Council with the efforts of the 319 Grant. Meersman and staff have been working together to help educate and assist local farmer, land owners in the South Branch of the Paw Paw Water Shed. Meersman discussed the project goals, local educational events and cumulative practices installed over the last two growing seasons. In conclusion Meersman discussed the overall continued improvements the South Branch of the Paw Paw River can see. Meersman thanked the Council for their support with the project and asked the Council to continue to discuss the ongoing of the 319 Grant Project.

8. Motion by Flores with support from McIntosh to approve and accept the request from the Paw Paw Brewing Company permission to use portions of Hamilton Street between 11:00-11:30 on January 30, 2016. Flores noted the contingency of getting approval from MDOT regarding use of their driveway. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation of Village President Plaszczak and appoint Frank Hardester to the Village of Paw Paw Historical Commission, All members present voting yes, motion carried.
10. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve and accept the Resolution 15-13 Opposing HB 4423-4427. The proposed House of Representatives is considering the ability of local units to set safe and context sensitive speed limits within their municipal boundaries. Roll call vote; Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese and McIntosh all members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Nielsen thanked the Council for their comments and asked to bring the topic back to another agenda to discuss further.

12. The Council noted further discussion was needed before changing December meeting schedule. Please bring back to the December 14, 2015 agenda.

13. Nielsen reported the Master Plan Committee met and reviewed the proposal from McKenna & Associates.

14. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed included proposed budget for fiscal year 2017 along with review of current year budget 2016.

15. Flores reported the Department of Public Service Committee met. Items discussed included; updated to the Solid Waste Ordinance, Flores provided the Council with a memo regarding amendments discussed in the ordinance and asked the Council to review before next meeting. Discussion also included; updated regarding Michigan Ave project, and repairs need at well house number one.


18. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met. Items discussed included; phase two of the needs assessment proposal.

19. TBD.


21. Jarvis reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; rezoning and site plan recommendation for 204 S Kalamazoo Street. Nielsen provided the Council with the recommendation from the Village Planner and asked the Council to consider review for the December 14, 2015 agenda.

22. TBD.

23. TBD.
24. Craddock reported the Wine and Harvest Festival Committee met. Items discussed included; election of officers and assigned committees.

25. TBD

26. McIntosh noted of several visits to other communities of the same demographics of the Village of Paw Paw, and the need for condo development needed. McIntosh also noted of the Michigan Review and the topic of condo development in medium income communities.

27. Flores asked for a moment of silent in memory of the passing of Janice Marie Hoehn.

28. Nielsen noted of the successful conversion of Village Hall to accept credit and debit card payments. Tapper noted the office has experienced positive feedback regarding the payment method. Tapper again noted it was only an added choice of the customer to use credit or debit card. With the continued positive feedback the office would start accepting online payments through the Village of Paw Paw website www.pawpaw.net/utilities.

29. McIntosh noted the electric power cost adjustment rate was tremendously high this month and asked the Council to review the billing rate and how American Electric Power bills the Village for such rate. The Council asked staff to review the billing rate practice to provide feedback to the Council for possible electric rate amendments to the billing structure.

30. Motion by McIntosh with support by Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Roman Plaszczak
Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper