

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, November 25, 2019**

The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, November 25, 2019, convened at 7:30p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczyk presiding.

Meeting Convened

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

Members Present

Motion by Rohr with support from Bartlett to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Streetscape Discussion added as #1 under New Business. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Bartlett with support from McIntosh to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 11, 2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve all claims for Monday, November 25, 2019, in the amount of \$281,363.71. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

Business owner Patrick Desmond state he believes heated sidewalks could be very beneficial and much safer for shopping patrons in the winter.

**Audience
Participation**

Council continued discussion with Chris Cook and Kathy Burczak from Abonmarche, following the Special Public Meeting for the Michigan Ave Streetscape Project. Larcinese appreciated the great public feedback. Larcinese noted he is for wider on-street parking and heated sidewalks but has not made a decision on the mid-block bump outs. Jarvis noted she is in favor of the bump outs and marked parking spots. McIntosh believes geothermal sidewalks would be very beneficial and reduce winter maintenance costs. Rohr is supportive of the proposed wider parking spots if the reduction in sidewalk width is not a hinderance to business owners. Bartlett is in favor of the bump outs and the installation of decorative trees. Bartlett would also like to see a flashing light installed at the corner of Niles St/Michigan Ave to help pedestrian crossings.

**New Business:
Streetscape Project**

Motion by Jarvis with support from Craddock to approve the purchase of a patrol vehicle from Zeigler Ford for an amount not to exceed \$37,657 and for set up of the new vehicle by Emergency Vehicle Products for an amount not to exceed \$8,000. Roll call vote; Bartlett, Jarvis, McIntosh, Plaszczyk, Larcinese, Rohr, Craddock all voting yes, motion carried.

**Police Patrol Vehicle
Purchase**

Moyer-Cale reported that as a recipient of Community Development Block Grant Funding, the Village is required to have several policies and documents approved by the time the 210 E Michigan Ave project is completed. One of the requirements is that we have a Section 3 policy. This policy states that if new hires are necessary for work on the building, the contractor is required to make an attempt to hire local persons of low to moderate income for the available positions.

**Section Three Policy
Approval**

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

Moyer-Cale reported the library recently acquired 621 W Michigan Ave, "Soapy's Car Wash". The library is requesting the waiver of water and sewer base fees that will accrue until the building's future purpose is determined or it is demolished. Base fees stop being charged when utilities are actually disconnected and the property owner pays the fees for the disconnection.

**Ongoing Business
Fee Waiver Request
at 621 W Michigan
Ave**

Motion by McIntosh with support from Bartlett to deny the request from the library board to waive the base fees for utility service at 621 W Michigan Ave. Roll call vote; Bartlett, Jarvis, McIntosh voting yes, Larcinese abstaining, Plaszczak, Rohr, Craddock voting no, motion did not pass.

Discussion on the new Paw Paw Area Fire Board Protection Agreement has been tabled until a future meeting.

**Fire Department
Contract**

Moyer-Cale reported, in late 2017 the council made the decision to join the Michigan Municipal Power Agency. The Village will start purchasing power through the Energy Services Project with MPPA in June of 2020. Moyer-Cale gave a brief refresher presentation about the transition of service.

**Electric Transition
Review**

At the last meeting, Moyer-Cale presented the Planning Commission's proposed zoning for medical marijuana facilities. Council decided to have Moyer-Cale research which establishments would be located within 1000 ft of the medical marijuana facilities if such a requirement was enacted. During the current meeting, Moyer-Cale presented these findings. Council also discussed possibly limiting the number of each facility type allowed in each zoning district. Further discussion will take place at a future meeting.

Medical Marijuana

No Report.

**Committee Meetings
and Reports
Finance and Admin**

No Report.

Public Services

No Report.

Area Parks & Rec

No Report.

DDA

No Report.

Economic Develop

No Report.

Farmers Market

No Report.

Fire Board

No Report.

Historical Committee

Rohr invited Council to the Housing Commission's annual Christmas dinner, December, 16th at 5:30 pm.

Housing Commission

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No Report.

**Maple Lake
Preservation**

No Report.

Planning Commission

No Report.

Wellhead Protection

No Report.

Wine & Harvest

Moyer-Cale reported she spoke with Don Stull regarding utilizing the Township's Michigan Ave/Gremps St parking lot for the Farmers Market. Supervisor Stull thinks this is a good idea but is unsure of when reconstruction of the lot will be complete. Asbestos abatement is scheduled to take place January 6th with demo shortly thereafter.

**Manager Comments
Moyer-Cale**

Motion by Bartlett with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Karla Tacy
Village Clerk

Roman Plaszcak
Village President