Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, January 8, 2018

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday January 8, 2018 convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

Meeting Convened

2. Present: President Roman Plaszczak, President Pro-Tem Eric Larcinese and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Donna Rohr. Also, present: Village Manager, Sarah Moyer-Cale, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Chief of Police, Eric Marshall.

Members Present

3. Motion by Larcinese with support of Craddock to approve the Agenda for Monday, January 8, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of Flores to approve the regular session meeting minutes of December 11, 2017. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approved Minutes

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $917,257.29. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and McIntosh.

Accounts Payable

6. Keith Buckmaster was in attendance to ask Council for direction regarding a parking concern he was having at his property at 316 St. Joseph Street. Buckmaster commented his property has a garage that is currently a non-conforming use due to setback requirements, which is causing the parking concerns. The Council asked staff to review the location and report back with a solution.

Public Comment  
Keith Buckmaster

7. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve and authorize the request from McKinley-Wilson VFW Post 2532 for use of Village Streets and Sidewalks for their annual Poppy Sales May 10th through May 13th 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

New Business  
McKinley-Wilson Post 2532

8. Motion by Flores with support from Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission and grant the rezoning request of 604 South Gremps Street to Single & Two Family Residential zoning district. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Rezoning request  
604 S Gremps Street

9. Motion by Flores with support from Larcinese to approve and accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission and grant amended site plan approval for Performance Fieldhouse at 1027 E Michigan with the following conditions;
A) Substantial landscaping shall be established near the building entry to assist in rendering it prominent as required by Section 42-225, and shall be shown on the required landscape plan.
B) Construction of Phase 2 shall begin within 1 year of occupancy of Phase 1 or

Site Plan  
Performance Fieldhouse 1027 E MI
the site plan shall be deemed expired.
C) Compliance with the conditions of site plan approval granted on January 9, 2017
D) The provision of required parking lot screening along the east boundary.
E) Compliance with outdoor lighting requirements set forth in Section 42-405
F) Compliance with applicable building design requirements
G) Submission of a final landscape plan that meets applicable landscape
requirements.
H) Fire Department review/approval
I) Village Department of Public Works review/approval of utility
extension/connections and the proposed method of storm water disposal
J) Proposed signage shall comply with the applicable provision of Article VI and
shall be reviewed/approved through the permit process
K) Compliance with all applicable Federal, State and Local codes/ordinances.
All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve the 2018 meeting dates
with the amendment of the second meeting in May 2018. All members present
voting yes, motion carried.

11. Moyer-Cale indicated, Micky Bittner, Wightman & Associates was due to attend this
evening’s meeting. Bittner was currently on his way from another meeting and would
be in shortly. Moyer-Cale provided to Council an update regarding the Briggs Pond
Spillway Repairs from Lounsbury Excavating. Moyer-Cale indicated the updates and
changes were due to the MDEQ review of the Village open permit application
regarding the original option number four the Village Council approved back in
November. The cost changes were a substantial increase from the original cost.

12. A general discussion ensued regarding the spillway repairs revision and updates.
Several Council members were concerned with the changes due to the cost and
desiring to review other options. The overall concerns are due to the continued cost
increases and the MDEQ revisions.

13. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed
included; Briggs Mill Dam repair cost, next fiscal year budget, Electric Department
Lineman employee needs, along with a replacement for the Police Department
officer. Rohr noted the PD was looking into a replacement officer, not a new
position.

14. No report

15. No report

16. No report
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17. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met. Items discussed included; Phase II study review, building expansion needs, next meeting schedule for January 15, 2018 and next year budget was discussed.

18. No report

19. No report

20. No report

21. Jarvis reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed; agenda items from this evening, old business, along with reviewing other text amendments.

22. No report

23. No report

24. No report

25. Bittner thanked the Council for his opportunity to attend and report on the Briggs Pond Spillway Repair. Bittner took questions from the Council regarding the options offered back in November, their concerns regarding the MDEQ revisions, the timeline the Village has to repair, other repairs that still needed to be done.

26. A general discussion ensued regarding Bittner’s report and what direction the Council needs to proceed. Several Council members are still concerned regarding the agreement of option four due to the continued revisions from MDEQ.

27. Larcinese commented regarding the continued efforts for snow removal in pathway, sidewalks and parking lots in the municipal lots.

28. McIntosh commented of the dumpsters in the municipal lots. The waste haulers need to be informed to please place the dumpsters back into the enclosures.

29. Rohr asked for an update regarding the street light replacement behind, Sportsman’s and 120 Taphouse. Small commented the company did finally get back with him and a solution should be forthcoming.

30. Jarvis thanked the Council for their continued efforts to work together.

31. Moyer-Cale reported the MDEQ draw down permit case involving third parties had been completed and the findings were all positive for the Village to validate its draw downs permit.
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32. Motion by Flores with support by Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak  

Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, January 22, 2018

1. The Regular Meeting Village Council meeting of Monday January 22, 2018, convened at 6:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, (Nadine Jarvis, excused) and Donne Rohr. Also, present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper. Also, present Director of Department of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Micky Bittner, Whitman & Associates.

3. Motion by Rohr with support Craddock to approve agenda dated Monday, January 22, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried

4. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve the regular meeting minutes of January, 8, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to approve claims for Monday, January 22, 2018 in the amount of $544,869.00. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Ted Major was in attendance to discuss options for the repairs for Briggs Dam. Major made suggestions for a sledding hill.

7. Kenneth Nesbitt was in attendance to discuss option for the repairs for Briggs Dam.

8. Motion by McIntosh with support by Flores to approve the recommendation of the Downtown Development Authority Bylaws adopted January 15, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by McIntosh with support by Rohr to approve the Village President recommendation and appoint Kim Otten to replace Mark Bahnson on the Downtown Development Authority Board. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. President Plaszczak review the two options discussed from the Special Meeting held earlier in the evening. Per the request from Council, two plans for the dam repair are included in the agenda packet this evening. Option A is the rebuilding of the earthen dam and emergency spillway. This option also includes the construction of a concrete weir to self-regulate the water moving through the culvert during heavy rain events. Option B is the steel sheeting option. This plan includes sheet pile piers for a future pedestrian bridge. The plan has been drawn such that each contains all the necessary elements.

Respectfully submitted
Village President, Roman Plaszczak & Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper
11. A general discussion ensued in the direction the Council wanted to take. An intense discussion ensued regarding the funding processes. Moyer-Cale noted of the funds available through the General Fund and the Natural Resource Fund. Moyer-Cale noted the USDA has loans available for this type of project for repairs. More discussion ensued regarding the timeline and timetable of starting one of the options and completing before more sediment. Several Council members expressed concerns regarding next fiscal year’s budget and how funds will be short for other projects. Several Council were wanting to start the entire process over because of all the different choices having to delay with the funding of the repairs and what to do with the sediment in Briggs Ponds and flowing into Maple Lake.

12. Motion by Craddock with support from Larcinese to approve option A the rebuilding of the earthen dam and emergency spillway submitting by Lounsbury Excavating in an amount not to exceed $470,000.00 and for staff to bring further funding options back to Council. Roll call vote; Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Flores and Craddock All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Rohr with support from Larcinese to approve and accept the Paw Paw Quick Response Contract for 2018 for a price not to exceed $6000.00. Rohr noted to request a copy of the PPQRT annual budget to Council. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support of Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation from the Red Arrow Ministries request to use Kids Paradise on Saturday, March 31, 2018 from 10:30 to 11:30, for annual Easter Egg Hunt. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion by McIntosh with of Craddock to approve and accept the recommendation from The Paw Paw Area Chamber of Commerce for the annual Paw Paw Days event July 20th through 21st, 2018 with the street closures listed in the agenda memo dated January 22, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Motion by Rohr with of McIntosh to approve and accept the recommendation of the Wine & Harvest Festival, Director, Marilyn Clear the events of the 2018 Festival outlined in the agenda memo dated January 18, 2018 for activates involving the Wine & Harvest Events. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

17. No reports giving; Finance & Administration Committee, Public Services Committee, Parks & Recreation, Economic Development, Farmers Market, Fire District Board, Historical Commission, Planning Commission, Wellhead Protection Committee and Wine & Harvest Board.

18. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed; swearing in officers, appointment of Kim Otten and approval of

Lounsbury
Briggs Pond
Dam Repairs

PPQRT 2018

Easter Egg
Hunt 2018

Paw Paw
Days 2018 -
PPCC

WHF 2018

Committee
Reports

DDA

Respectfully submitted
Village President, Roman Plaszczak & Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper
updated bylaws.

19. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed; rehab of south building going well, need to set a date for the new Director to provide presentation to Council.

20. Plaszczak reported the Maple Lake Preservation & Improvement Committee met. Items discussed included; weed study report.

21. Plaszczak commented from the last Fire Board meeting he and Moyer-Cale attended. The meeting outlined the concerned from several Townships regarding the future of the Fire Board.

22. Flores asked if staff was able to find a resolution regarding the winter parking concerns of the resident on St. Joseph Street. Moyer-Cale report staff was able to find a compromise for this year.

23. Rohr asked if staff was able to find a resolution regarding the street lighting concerns behind Sportsman’s and Taphouse 120. Small reported he was talking with the company daily to find a resolution.

24. Motion by McIntosh with support by Flores to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Workshop Meeting, January 22, 2018

1. The Workshop Meeting Village Council meeting of Monday January 22, 2018, convened at 6:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, (Nadine Jarvis, excused) and Donnie Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper. Also present Director of Department of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Micky Bittner, Whitman & Associates.

3. Micky Bittner, Wightman & Associates provided new information from Lounsbury Excavating for the updated pricing for the earthen dam repair and emergency spillway construction per DEQ Permit WRP009711 v.1 Also being review was pricing for Option 1 (B) steel sheeting spillway construction per the DEQ. Bittner also provided the revisions per the DEQ request. Some concern addressed by Council were the long term maintenance expense the revisions DEQ is requesting.

4. Cost comparison between the two options $470,200.00 for the updated pricing for the earthen dam repair and emergency spillway. Option #1 (B) steel sheeting spillway construction would be $483,970.00. Larcinese had several questions regarding the cost of revisions DEQ outlined. Several other Council members were concerned with the cost of the additional revision. Bittner took several questions of why the DEQ is requiring the revision, Bittner did a wonderful job answering the questions. Bittner did comment he did not work for the DEQ and why some the revisions were being added to the repairs, but the DEQ is the governmental body we are needing to work with.

5. A general discussion also ensued regarding the repairs of the part of Briggs Dam that is still in place. Craddock asked several questions about a timeline of repairs of the bridge that is still in place. Bittner noted he did not have the cost information available tonight but would be happy to gather the information. Moyer-Cale updated the Council regarding were the Village would be able to pay for the expenses. Moyer-Cale outline the cash balances for the Natural Resources Fund and the General Fund, because this would be the available sources of funds. Moyer-Cale noted the option of the USDA loan was still available, but did have any new information due to the Government Shutdown.

6. Bittner and Moyer-Cale finished the discussion with the timeline and timetable of what was needed to be done next. Bittner noted he has turned in plans for the emergency permit along with engineering cost.

7. Motion by McIntosh with support by Rohr to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.
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Respectfully submitted:

Village President,
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk,
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Special Meeting, January 29, 2018

1. The Special Meeting Village Council meeting of Monday January 29, 2018, convened at 7:00 p.m. at the Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority, 129 S Kalamazoo Street Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, (President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese, excused) and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, (Nadine Jarvis, excused) and Donnie Rohr. Also, present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper. Also, present Director of Department of Public Services, John Small.

3. Motion by Flores with support Rohr to approve agenda dated Monday, January 29, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Let the record show not public comment was offered.

5. Moyer-Cale present to the Council updated information from Lounsbury Excavating; earthen dam repair & emergency spillway construction per DEQ Permit WRP009711 v. 1 Option#4 (A) and also updated pricing for option 1 (B) steel sheeting spillway construction per DEQ Permit WRP009711 v. 1. Moyer-Cale also provided to the Council Resolution 18-01 considerations to purchase, acquire and construct capital improvement and the notice of intent to issue Municipal Securities. Along with other financing options from the USDA and other bonding pricing.

6. A general discussion ensued regarding the information provided to Council. Plaszczak indicated he spoke to Trustee Larcinese via telephone. Larcinese comments via Plaszczak included; concerns of continued additional cost, continued unknown factors that keep changing cost and detail expenses continuing to change the overall cost to the Village.

7. The continued discussion from other Council members. McIntosh commented she was very concern about the reports and suggestions from the engineers. McIntosh indicated she believed the engineers encouraged the Council to choose a restructure option that was not in the best interest of the Village. McIntosh found in researching earthen dam projects that the engineers do not have any experiences or references with this type of restructure. McIntosh stated she was very concerned of the long-term maintenance of the earthen dam option.

8. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the recommendation from Lounsbury Excavating Option #4(A) with an amount not to exceed $530,000. Roll Call vote; Plaszczak McIntosh, Flores, Craddock and Rohr voting yes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Village President, Roman Plaszczak & Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper
9. Motion by Flores with support from Craddock to approve the publishing of Resolution 18-01 the intent to Purchase, Acquire and Construct Capital Improvement and to issue Municipal Securities in the amount not to exceed $1,250,000.00. Roll call vote; Craddock, Rohr, Plaszczak, McIntosh and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

10. Motion by Craddock with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, February 12, 2018

1. The Regular Meeting Village Council meeting of Monday February 12, 2018, convened at 6:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

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

3. Motion by Craddock with support Jarvis to approve amended agenda dated Monday, February 12, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the workshop meeting minutes of January 22, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores with support of Rohr to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 22, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 29, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Craddock with support of Rohr to approve claims for Monday, February 12, 2018 in the amount of $583,926.23. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. No public comment was received.

9. Tim McGee, Director, Van Buren County 911 was in attendance to ask Council for direction on the possible lease of space of the Village of Paw Paw Water Tower. The Consensus of the Council was to allow staff to continue discussion on the possible lease agreement between the Village and Van Buren County. Moyer-Cale to bring back to Council a final proposal.

10. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to schedule a budget public hearing for Monday, February 26, 2018 to take public comment on the Village of Paw Paw amending FY 2017-2018 budget also to review proposed budget for FY 2018-2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Flores with support from Rohr to adopt and approve Resolution 18-02 Adjustment to Utility Customer Deposits to allow for an affidavit to be filed making the tenant responsible for utility bills such that a lien for unpaid accounts. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
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12. Motion by Flores with support from Craddock to approve a fee of $8,000 for the water and sewer connections related to the Van Buren County Jail addition project. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Flores with support from Rohr to schedule a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments and information on a proposed Commercial Rehabilitation District at 1027 East Michigan Ave (Performance Fieldhouse). All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. A general discussion ensued regarding the Farmer’s Market 2018. The Farmers Market Board is concerned with the overnight parking with the allowable lot. Motion by Flores with support from Craddock to approve the schedule events for the Farmers Market for 2018 as submitted in the agenda memo. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion by Flores with support from Rohr to approve the lease agreement between the Village of Paw Paw and John Owainy for a continued five years mowing the wastewater treatment location. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. A general discussion ensued regarding the Wine and Harvest Festival 2018. Presentation included; Amy Craddock, Treasurer, Marilyn Clear, Director. Craddock and Clear presented the Council with next year’s budget along with some Festival Statistics.

17. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve the Village President recommendation and appoint Marty Deming Mayntner, Bailey North and Cody Higley to the Historical Commission. All members present voting yes, motion carried.


19. President Plaszczyzak noted the following committee did not meet and had no report; Department of Public Services, Downtown Development Authority, Economic Development, Farmers Market, Historical Commission, Housing Commission, Maple Lake Preservation & Improvement, Wellhead Protection and Wine & Harvest Festival Committee.

20. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Topics discussed included; FY 2018-2019 budget.

21. Rohr reported the Fire Board met. Topics discussed included; FY 2018-2019 budget and phase II needs assessment.
22. Moyer-Cale reported the Planning Commission met. Topics discussed; chicken and bee ordinance and future work plan schedule.

23. Moyer-Cale reported Lounsbury Excavating would be starting this week with the Briggs Dam repairs. Schedule is showing the repairs should be completed sometime in March. The new Dollar General location would be opening soon, please note of the ribbon cutting happening in the next few weeks.

24. Motion by Flores with support by Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,
Roman Plaszcak

Village Clerk,
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, February 26, 2018

1. The Regular Meeting Village Council meeting of Monday February 26, 2018, convened at 6:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

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

3. Motion by Flores with support Jarvis to approve agenda dated Monday, February 26, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve the workshop meeting minutes of February 12, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve claims for Monday, February 12, 2018 in the amount of $371,502.77. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. No public comment was received.

7. Leonard Lux, Community Development Coordinator, provided a report regarding last year’s inspections. Lux reported on the total number of inspections completed. Also reported on some of the new development in commercial district and resident district.

8. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr, to close the regular session at 8:04 and enter into a public hearing to take comments regarding proposed budget for fiscal year 2019 along with amendments to fiscal year 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

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

10. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to close the public hearing at 8:11 and re-enter regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve and accept Resolution 18-03 Recreation Passport Grant. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve and accept Resolution 18-04 Capital Asset Policy. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve and accept Resolution 18-05 amending fiscal year 2018 budget and adopting fiscal year budget 2019.
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Roll call vote; Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Jarvis and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve the contract between the Village of Paw Paw and Night Magic for a price not to exceed $7,000.00 for the annual fireworks display during the 2018 Wine and Harvest Festival. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. President Plaszczak noted the following committees did not have reports; Parks & Recreation, Downtown Development Authority, Economic Development, Farmers Market, Fire District Board, Historical Commission, Housing Commission, Maple Lake Preservation & Improvement, Planning Commission, Wellhead Protection and Wine & Harvest Board.

16. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Topics discussed included; budget. Larcinese noted his concerns with General Fund Revenues.


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

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper

2018 WHF Fire works

Committee Reports

Finance & Administration

Adjournment
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, March 12, 2018

1. The Regular Meeting Village Council meeting of Monday February 26, 2018, convened at 7:33 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese and Trustees Douglas Craddock, Marcos Flores, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper. Also, present Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Planning Consultant, Rebecca Harvey.

3. Motion by Rohr with support Craddock to approve agenda dated Monday, March 12, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve the correct regular meeting minutes of February 26, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Rohr to approve claims for Monday, March 12, 2018 in the amount of $686,9990.39. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Mark Smith from PM Growers was in attendance to ask the Council about the Village of Paw Paw’s direction with the new medical marijuana laws. Smith has an operation in the City of Bangor. Smith provided some information to the Council.

7. Pat Winston, former director of the Paw Paw Housing Commission was honored with her years of service and dedication to the Miller Court Senior Center. The Commission has hired Charles (Chuck) Blackwell who was in attendance as well thanked the Council for the vote of confidence with the roll as Director.

8. Kevin Haught presented to the Council an update of the Paw Paw River Water Trail. Haught’s presentation included; accomplishments from the past year, work to be schedule for this year, unique challenges & opportunities specific to the Village of Paw Paw segment of the trail.

9. Motion by Flores with support from Larcinese to close the regular session at 8:26 and open a public hearing to take comments regarding Resolution 18-06 Establishment of Commercial Rehabilitation District for parcels located at 1027 East Michigan Ave. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. Zach Morris, Economic Developer with Kinexus along with Mark Lipson, Performance Field House presented to the Council information of establish a Commercial Rehabilitation District at 1027 East Michigan Ave. The Commercial Rehabilitation Act allows a property tax abatement for up to 10 years for
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qualifying rehabilitation projects. Morris noted Van Buren County must also give
final approval if the Village Council acts on Resolution 18-06.

11. Mike Pioch was in attendance and asked several questions regarding Resolution
18-06 and thanked the Council for the opportunity.

12. Motion by McIntosh with support from Larcinese to close the public hearing at
8:44 and re open regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to approve and accept Resolution
18-06 To Establish the Gateway Commercial Rehabilitation District at 1027 East
Michigan. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh,
Jarvis and Flores present voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve and accept Ordinance 463
Definition & Regulations Relating to Restaurants. Roll Call vote; Craddock,
Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Jarvis and Flores present voting yes,
motion carried.

15. Village Planning Consultant, Rebecca Harvey discussed with the Council the
direction of the Planning Commission with creation of drafted Ordinance 464
Chickens & Honeybees. A general discussion ensued regarding the draft.
McIntosh and Larcinese were both concerned with the notification processed
outline in the draft along with other concerns. It was the consensus of the Council
for staff to review the questions Council had and report back after review.

16. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve and accept staff’s
recommendation and set a voluntary green pricing rate for Village of Paw Paw
Electric Customers at $0.012. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

17. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approval and accept the request
the use of public right of ways for the Eastern Van Buren County Crop Walk on
April 29, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

18. Moyer-Cale asked the Council to provide staff some direction with the future
potential of the Dog Park located on South Gremps Street. A general discussion
ensued regarding last year’s approvals and comments. Moyer-Cale noted there
has been no forward motion in regards to the development of the rail right of way
into a trail to interconnect Paw Paw, Lawrence and Hartford. Moyer-Cale
provided rendering of the potential park as well as cost estimates from last year.
The consensus of the Council was to allow staff more time to research and
provide more information for what the residents of Paw Paw might want to see at
the location along with more information regarding the PUD zoning information.
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19. Plaszczak reported the following committees did not meet and no report was provided. Those committees included; Department of Public Services, Downtown Development Authority, Economic Development, Farmers Market, Historical Commission, Housing Commission, Maple Lake Preservation, Wellhead Protection.

20. Rohr reported the Finance and Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; General Fund Revenue concerns, Village Assessor to meet with Committee and Council in April and staff projects.

21. Jarvis reported the Parks & Recreation Committee met. Items discussed included; trailhead park sign, spring cleanup, hydroelectric plant repairs, weed boat volunteers and Tyler Field restrooms.

22. Larcineese reported the Fire District Board met. Items discussed included; Almena Township has officially provided written notice to withdrawal for the Fire District Board, more updating regarding the Phase II Study.

23. Jarvis reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; Ordinance 463 Restaurants and Ordinance 464 Chickens & Honeybees

24. Plaszczak commented on the Rising Tide meeting with Governor Rick Snyder. Plaszczak thanked those who attended the meeting and was thankful for the opportunity to promote the projects happening in Paw Paw.

25. Craddock asked the Council to consider moving the regular Council meeting location. Craddock noted if the Council is asking staff and departments to do their best and look at ways to save on expenses, why is the Council paying to hold meetings at the Library. Council and staff to work together on the possibility of finding a different meeting location.

26. Moyer-Cale noted Lounsbery’s was on schedule regarding Briggs Pond Dam repairs. Moyer-Cale also commented on the Rising Tide meeting from last week.

27. Motion by Flores with support by Larcineese to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                     Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                       Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, March 26, 2018

1. The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday March 26, 2018, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

Meeting Convened

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

Members Present

3. Motion by Rohr with support Jarvis to approve agenda dated Monday, March 26, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the corrected regular meeting minutes of March 12, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

5. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve claims for Monday, March 26, 2018 in the amount of $382,540.01. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

6. Mack Roderick was in attendance to ask the Council about the Village of Paw Paw’s direction with the new medical marihuana laws. Roderick has a business in the Village of Paw Paw. Roderick provided some information to the Council.

Audience Comments
Mack Roderick

7. Kenneth Nesbitt was in attendance to ask the Council about the future plans regarding the Trail Head project in the PUD district. Nesbitt expressed the importance of recreational actives in the Village. Nesbitt also expressed the importance of the current meeting location at the Paw Paw District Library. The library is a very easily accessible location for the public.

Kenneth Nesbitt

8. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to approve and accept the Village President’s recommendation and appointment of the revised list of Board, Committee and Commission members for 2018-2019. Rohr noted the recommendation was included in the agenda packet dated March 23, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Ongoing Business
Annual Appointment 2018-2019

9. Moyer-Cale provided to the Council an informational background regarding the annual services between the Village of Paw Paw and Lake Savers, LLC. Moyer-Cale included the invoices for services, cost is $15,800. The Maple Lake Association contributes $5,000 towards the service agreement annually with an out of pocket cost to the Village being $10,800. Moyer-Cale also included a summary of the last report provided by Lake Restorative Sciences with points of interest, Laminar Flow Aeration System Continuation.

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10. Discussion followed. Council comments included; historical information of how and why Lake Savers was involved with the Village dating back to the prior Maple Lake Natural Resources & Environment Committee.

11. Several Council members expressed their concerns regarding the aeration system and annual contract. Others expressed that they think the focus to be addressed should be the south basin of Maple Lake since the Briggs Pond Dam breach. Several Council members were concerned with the data collected in the report provided, due to the fact the report was several years old and dated April 29, 2015.

12. Continued comments included; Council members believing the Aeration System is working and not wanting to remove the system and having to start the project over, the Maple Lake Association is in favor of the system, has the Village approached Paw Paw Township for collaboration, can the Village purchase the equipment and not have to pay Lake Savers the annual fee.

13. It was the consensus of the Council to hold off on the approval of payment and service agreement and allow staff to gather more information from Lake Savers and Restorative Lake Sciences.

14. Moyer-Cale reported from the last Council meeting, Council requested there be a review of the focus groups involved in the planning of the Village’s PUD Zoning District. Moyer-Cale provided to the Council the report from the focus groups along with charts and maps of the visualization the focus group designed.

15. A general discussion ensued regarding the result from the focus groups. Several Council members were concerned if the placement of a dog park would fit the focus group’s suggestions. Council members also agreed the focus should be on the use of the green space in the PUD district. Trail Head Park use was discussed as an option. What are the public demands of a dog park? Council was also concerned about developing the District before a real use and developer came into the PUD District. Staff to continue researching options for the best future use of the area and refer the matter to the Park and Rec Board.

16. It was the consensus of the Council not to proceed with the proposed ordinance, recommendations from the Planning Commission regarding Chickens & Honeybees.

17. Plaszczak reported the following committees did not meet and no report was provided. Those committees included; Finance & Administration, Area Parks & Recreation Board, Economic Development, Farmer’s Market, Historical Commission, Fire Board, Maple Lake Preservation, Wellhead Protection, Planning Commission and Wine & Harvest Board.
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18. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; updates on the Hydrodam repairs and maintenance, local street paving projects, fire hydrant repairs and maintenance schedule, Michigan Rural Water Association Annual Conference update.

19. Plaszczak report the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed included; approved grant for 217 East Michigan, committee and staff reports, the job fair scheduled for May 15, 2018 at the Paw Paw Library.

20. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed included; East Building almost complete, and the South Building is scheduled next for repairs and maintenance.

21. Plaszczak commented on this week’s past events with the Paw Paw Police Department. Plaszczak wanted to thank the Chief and all the department’s hard work regarding the threat to Paw Paw Schools last Sunday. Plaszczak also noted the award received from the Michigan Rural Water Association.

22. McIntosh and Jarvis echoed Plaszczak’s positive remarks regarding the Police Department.

23. Moyer-Cale updated the Council regarding the repair and maintenance needed to some of the village street lights, Patti Sampley, Paw Paw Township Assessor is scheduled to attend the next Village Council meeting, and the submittal of the Village’s first quarterly report for the Redevelopment Ready Communities program is due this week.

24. Small updated the Council regarding the schedule of repairs at Briggs Mill Dam.

25. Chief Marshall thanked the Council for the positive support.

26. Motion by Flores with support by Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  Village Clerk,  
Roman Plaszczak  Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, April 9, 2018

1. The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday April 9, 2018, 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 Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Eric Larcinese and Trustees Douglas Craddock, (Marcos Flores, excused) Mary McIntosh, Nadine Jarvis and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager Sarah Moyer-Cale, Village Clerk Christopher Tapper, Chief of Police Eric Marshall and Department of Public Services Director John Small.

3. Motion by McIntosh with support Rohr to approve agenda dated Monday, April 9, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of Rohr to approve the corrected regular meeting minutes of March 26, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Craddock with support of Rohr to approve claims for Monday, March 26, 2018 in the amount of $422,360.77. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Anna Smith was in attendance to ask questions regarding Maple Lake and the water quality. Smith was also present to listen to the presentation from Patti, Sampley, Paw Paw Township Assessor.

7. Stephanie Reed was in attendance to ask questions regarding the Village Ordinance referencing “selling vehicles” on residential property.

8. Shirley Lund was in attendance to thank the Village for its continued efforts to improve the water quality in and around Maple Lake.

9. Patti Sampley presented information to the Council regarding the understanding of property taxes and the balancing system Township Assessor uses when determining true cash value and taxable value of property within the Village. Sampley provided several hand outs and reports with Village tax values and assessing data. Sampley described the projects she was currently working on from the Village Manager’s recommendations. A general discussion ensued regarding Sampley presentation with several questions from the Council regarding the current projects.

10. Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to approve and accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission and approve the site plan for TNT Fireworks to operate outdoor sales at 1013 South Kalamazoo. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
11. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to set a public hearing for CRE from 1027 East Michigan, Lipson Holdings LLC to take public comments regarding commercial rehabilitation exemption certificates. All members present voting yes, motion carried

12. Motion by Craddock with support from Larcinese to approve and accept Resolution 18-07 updating the Village of Paw Paw’s Rates and Fees as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve and accept Resolution 18-08 Establishing an Escrow Policy for Planning and Zoning Fees. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. Moyer-Cale provided to the Council some legal discussion regarding the Medical Marijuana Laws and Licensing Act, referencing Public Act 281. The legal briefing included: definitions, licenses, processing, transporting, provision centers, safety compliances and local governmental regulations. A general discussion ensued regarding the information provided. The Council thanked Moyer-Cale for the information and followed up asking Chief Marshall to provide his insights at a future meeting.

15. A general discussion ensued regarding the annual contract with Lake Savers LLC. The Council was still split on the discussion and asked staff to continue researching the topic.

16. Plaszczak reported the following committees did not meet and no reports were provided. Those committees included; Department of Public Services, Area Parks & Recreation Board, Downtown Development Authority, Economic Development, Farmer’s Market, Historical Commission, Maple Lake Preservation, Wellhead Protection, Planning Commission and Wine & Harvest Board.

17. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed included staff reports and other projects assigned to the Village Manager.

18. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met.

19. Jarvis reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; Site Plan for temporary fireworks sale and follow-up discussion regarding the Chicken and Bee Ordinance.

20. McIntosh commented she hoped the Council as whole would be able to hear about the activities from the Finance & Administration committee. Rohr indicated the Council would be getting the reports and information once staff was able to
answer the question the committee had regarding budget topics.

21. Jarvis indicated she was happy to hear about the Historical Commission upcoming projects.

    Jarvis

22. Larcinese asked for an update regarding Briggs Dam repairs and maintenance.

    Larcinese

23. Moyer-Cale noted of the WMU Planning Studio presentation for Paw Paw Community Gateway; The Gateway PUD District on April 17, 2018 at Paw Paw Township Hall at 7:00 pm.

    Moyer-Cale

24. Motion by Jarvis with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

    Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,           Village Clerk,                 
Roman Plaszczyk             Christopher Tapper
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Regular Meeting, April 23, 2018

1. The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday April 23, 2018, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczyk presiding.

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

3. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to approve the amended agenda dated Monday, April 23, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve the corrected regular meeting minutes of April 9, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to approve claims for Monday, April 23, 2018 in the amount of $265,449.14. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Kim Jones, Paw Paw Rocket Football, was in attendance to address the Council regarding the bathrooms at Tyler Field. Jones indicated she was working with several community leaders about fundraising to improve the bathrooms at Tyler Field. Jones asked the Council to review the Village’s budget for financial support with the project.

7. Small introduced to the Council, Mark Thar. Thar is one of the Village of Paw Paw’s new Electric Department Employees. Thar has worked as a lineman for many years. Small indicated staff was very happy to have Thar on staff.

8. Small presented to the Council a report of the Department of Public Services’ achievements from 2017. Highlights included; street projects, parks, SRF construction with sewer and water improvements. Small also reported on the department’s achievements, school activities with the Wellhead Protection Program.

9. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to close the regular session at 8:09 and open a Public Hearing to take public comments regarding the application for Commercial Rehabilitation Certificate for Lipson Holdings, LLC at 1027 East Michigan Ave. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. Moyer-Cale reported an application from Lipson Holdings, LLC at 1027 East Michigan Ave is requesting a 5-year tax exemption for his business presently under construction, Performance Fieldhouse. The exemption does not apply to
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school operating tax and state education tax. The estimated total tax exemption be approximately $69,300 annually. The Performance Fieldhouse is located within the Village’s DDA district. Mark Lipson, from Lipson Holdings LLC along with Zach Morris, Kinexus were both present to take comments and questions.

11. Let the record show no public comment was received. Comments and questions from Council and staff for the applicant. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis is to closed the public hearing at 8:28 and re-open regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to approve the request dated April 17, 2018 from Thomas Elsman, Sporty’s Pub Veranda Grille and grant the used of the public right away for outdoor seating at his business of the next two years, with the following contingencies;

A) Mr. Elsman shall provide the Village with a certificate of insurance indicating the Village is an additional insured party for any injuries or damages to persons or properties because of the use of the street and sidewalk as an extension of the business at 126 East Michigan Avenue in the Village of Paw Paw,

B) The said certificate of insurance shall also indicated the Village of Paw Paw as an additional insured party for injuries or damages to persons or properties due to the placement of deck, tables, chairs, umbrellas or other items in the Village right-of-way commonly the sidewalk and parking lane in front of the business at 126 East Michigan Avenue in the Village of Paw Paw

C) For all purpose and intentions the area extending from the building to the outside edge of the placed deck; including the sidewalk, deck and parking lane shall be considered part of the restaurant and bar subject to all local and state ordinances and regulation as is the indoor business known as Sporty’s Pub and Veranda Grill. Mr. Elsman agrees the conduct and behavior of customers using the outdoor area is responsibility of the establishment. Accordingly, Mr. Elsman agrees to abide by all requirements and regulation of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) and applicable Village Ordinances. Should any MLCC violations occur during the period between May 11, 2018 and October 15, 2018 on the outdoor deck any further entertainment, services and use of the deck shall cease and the deck shall be removed.

D) The Village retains the right to remove the deck or any portions of the deck at any time to access utilities which are located in the sidewalk and street in front of the establishment. Notice will be attempted. However, the need to access utilities may be an emergency situation requiring immediate action. Such notice in this case may not allow time for the owner to remove the deck or portion of the deck prior to the needed utility work. This approval is granted on 60-day trial basis beginning with the first day of placement of the deck.
E) This approval does not grant use of the lower sidewalk or a portion of the parking area without the placement of a deck. Mr. Elsman agrees not to use the area without a deck. Nor does this agreement allow placement of any deck, seating, cooking apparatus, or other items and material in front of neighboring businesses.

F) This approval is conditioned on the deck being placed so the deck surface is level with the upper sidewalk portion, is secured with side railing as shown in the drawing provided by Mr. Elsman, does not extend further than 40” into the parking area, and does not extend beyond his eat and west property lines.

G) This approval prohibits service to outdoor customers seating or standing in the café seating area Sunday through Thursday after 11:30 PM and Friday and Saturday after 1:30 AM.

H) Mr. Elsman, his agents, assigns and employees shall be responsible for all litter, trash, debris, stains, spills and other blighting factors which results from the use of the café seating. Such responsibility means daily, or multiple times a day, the area may need attention to remove litter, trash, debris, stains, spills or other blighting factors.

I) Approval is also conditioned on the establishment and Mr. Elsman remaining in good standing with the Village of Paw Paw.

J) Mr. Elsman agrees to be responsive to Village concerns that may arise and which may not have been covered in this letter of agreement.

K) Approval is also conditioned on the review and comments from Chief Marshall and staff.

L) Install and operating of the outdoor deck to begin May 11 and to be removed by October 15.

13. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

14. It was asked from the Council to pass the assignment to the Planning Commission to review current Village Ordinances and Policies regarding the use of Public Streets and right of a way for outdoor services and seating. The Council is asking the Planning Commission to come up with a stronger application process for outdoor services and seating type of activities, to streamline the process for staff and Council.

15. Motion by Larcinese with support from Craddock to approve and accept Resolution 18-09 Commercial Rehabilitations Exemption Certificate Application, PA 210 of 2005 as amended and grant the application for Lipson Holdings LLC, located at 1027 East Michigan and grant the Manager and Clerk to submit the applications on behalf of the Village of Paw Paw. All members present voting
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yes, motion carried.

16. Motion by Rohr with support from McIntosh to close the regular session at 9:30 and enter into a closed session to consult with the Village Attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Jarvis and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

17. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to exit closed session at 9:48 and re-enter regular session. Roll Call vote; Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak, McIntosh, Jarvis and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

18. Motion by Rohr with support from McIntosh to approve and accept the recommendation from the Village President and appoint Joe Romph to the Downtown Development Authority Board for a term ending March 31, 2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

19. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve and accept the request from the Paw Paw Fire Department for street closures related to the department’s 150th Anniversary celebration the weekend of August 4th 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

20. This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

21. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to ratify the legal services contract with Scott Smith, Dickinson Wright for assistance with the Village of Paw Paw USDA Application. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

22. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve the present contract arrangement with Lake Savers at a cost not to exceed $15,800, McIntosh noting of the Maple Lake Association’s contribution of $5,000 towards the contract, making the Village cost not to exceed $10,800. Roll call vote; Plaszczak, McIntosh and Jarvis voting yes, Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese and Flores voting no, motion defeated. The descending vote directed the Manager to contact Lake Savers to asked to have the contract for support services to end. The Manager will report back to the Council on the findings.

23. Plaszczak reported the following committees did not meet and no reports were provided. Those committees included; Finance & Administration Committee, Area Parks & Recreation Board, Fire Board, Economic Development, Farmer’s Market, Historical Commission, Maple Lake Preservation, Wellhead Protection, Planning Commission and Wine & Harvest Board.
24. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; repairs to the Hydro Plant, East Michigan Street repairs, fire hydrant replacement, sidewalk projects and reviewed broken street lights.

25. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed included; grant approvals for the Strand Theater, Keith Dorgan 148 East Michigan Ave, discussion about the flowers in the DDA, job fair taking place May 15, 2018 and banners in the DDA District.

26. McIntosh asked staff to follow up regarding the ordinance referencing residents selling vehicles at their homes. This was a topic at the last Council meeting, when a resident had a concern.

27. Motion by Jarvis with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, 
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk, 
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, May 14, 2018

1. The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, May 14, 2018, convened at 7:31 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

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

3. Motion by Larcinese with support from Craddock to approve the amended agenda dated Monday, May 14, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve the corrected regular meeting minutes of April 23, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Rohr to approve claims for Monday, April 23, 2018 in the amount of $737,184.06. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

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

7. Chief Marshall presented to the Council two new members to the Police Department. Officers Andrea Walker and Matthew Johnson. Both Officers are new to the area and the department. Chief Marshall expressed his appreciation to both officers for their willingness to join and serve the citizens and residents of the Village of Paw Paw.

8. Larry Hummel, Van Buren County Road Commission, presented to the Council a proposal for a new road millage in Van Buren County. Hummel addressed; how much the proposed levy is estimated to generate in one year, the primary roads, the length of the proposed millage request and other topics related to the State of Michigan and Federal Government with respect to road funding. A general discussion took place regarding the presentation. Hummel noted he is planning on providing more information as it becomes available.

9. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to approve the recommendation from the Village President and approve the appointment of Maria Diaz to the DDA Board for a term ending March 2019 and approve Suzy Glomski for a term ending March 2020. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

10. A general discussion ensued regarding proposed Resolution 18-10 record retention and email policy. The Council tabled the discussion to give it more
11. Moyer-Cale presented to the Council a status & projections report for the Village of Paw Paw’s General Fund. Moyer-Cale presented the trends, suggested possible actions to improve and took questions from the Council and staff regarding her assessments.

12. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to set a public hearing for Monday, June 11, 2018 to take public comments regarding the Truth in Taxation & Public Safety Millage Rates for the Village of Paw Paw. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. A general discussion ensued regarding Moyer-Cale’s proposed draft Ordinance for Outdoor Seating Ordinance. Moyer-Cale indicated it would be more appropriate to address this as a general ordinance (amending the Village’s right-of-way ordinance) rather than as a zoning ordinance amendment because it addresses use of public property rather than private property. The Council provided comments asked to have a revised draft at a later meeting.

14. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the recommendation of the Wine & Harvest Festival Committee and Director Marilyn Clear to allow the 1st Annual Grape Lake Kayak Race, Saturday, September 8, 2018 from 3-5pm with a rain date of Sunday, September 9, 2018 from 3-5pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion by Rohr with support from McIntosh to approve and accept the request from the Paw Paw American Legion Post Memorial Day parade ceremony dated in the April 18, 2018 request to the Village. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve and accept the request of Tyler Field/Kids Paradise from Valley Family Church on August 2, 2018 from 4-8 pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

17. Plaszcak reported the following committees did not meet and no reports were provided. Those committees included; Department of Public Services, Downtown Development Authority, Economic Development, Historical Commission, Housing Commission, Wellhead Protection and Wine & Harvest Board.

18. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; General Fund Presentation to Council, more policy stuff, USDA application and interest in the former Paw Paw Plating Property from a third party.
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19. Jarvis reported the Area Parks & Recreation Board met. Items discussed included; mowing schedule, weed boat training for volunteers.

20. Jarvis reported the Farmers Market Board met. Items discussed; upcoming dates

21. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the status of the Fire Board and the Paw Paw Fire Department. The current contract expires this December. The Council discussed the extent of involvement the village should have in the process. Following the supervisors meeting, more would be discussed by the Council.

22. Plaszczak reported the Maple Lake Preservation & Improvement Committee met. Items discussed included; planning and working towards possible grant opportunities.

23. Jarvis reported the Planning Commission held a Special Meeting Wednesday, May 9, 2018 regarding a project including a roof top deck. Jarvis noted a consensus was not met.

24. McIntosh noted of the agenda format changes. McIntosh asked if the staff recommendations could be written as motions. McIntosh noted it was sometimes difficult with the new format to understand what the motion should be.

25. Plaszczak noted of the in-kind letter sent to the Village from the Van Buren County Building Authority, thanking the Village for its cooperation during the construction progress with the new Van Buren County Jail.

26. Moyer-Cale noted the recommendation from Small regarding the replacement of the street lights in the parking lot at S. Gremp’s and Paw Paw St. Moyer-Cale indicated the lights need to be replaced. Moyer-Cale concluded with reminding the Council the final walk-through for the new Briggs Pond Dam was scheduled for tomorrow.

27. Motion by Jarvis with support by McIntosh to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, May 29, 2018

1. The Regular Village Council meeting of Tuesday, May 29, 2018, convened at 7:31 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

Meeting Convened

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

Members Present

3. Motion by Larcinese with support from Rohr to approve the agenda dated Tuesday, May 29, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 14, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

5. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve claims for Tuesday, May 29, 2018 in the amount of $199,581.49. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

6. Cathy Lipp, Resident, commented on the condition of Old Lane Road and inquired about future paving and noted her concerns. Director Small provided additional information about the project.

Audience Comments

7. Rick Mack and Kevin Piquett commented and provided documents for the council members relating to recent ballot and legislative proposals for the regulation of marijuana. Discussion ensued relating to the USDA’s requirement that the loan recipients comply with the Controlled Substances Act.

Presentations

8. There were no presentations.

9. There were no public hearings.

Public Hearing

10. Discussion was held regarding having a Planning Commission member who is not a Village resident. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to approve the recommendation from the Village President and approve the appointment of Tom Palenick to the Planning Commission to fill a vacant term ending March 2021. Voting yes: Plaszczak, Craddock, Flores, Jarvis, McIntosh, Rohr. Voting No: Larcinese. Motion carried.

Appointment of Tom Palenick to Planning Commission

11. It was the consensus of the council to have a public hearing and informational meeting regarding the USDA loan on June 11, 2018.

Schedule USDA Hearing
12. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to certify delinquent utility charges for inclusion on the Village tax bill in accordance with state law and chapter 38 of the Village code. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Moyer-Cale presented modifications to the draft Outdoor Seating Ordinance. Discussion was held regarding the ordinance in general as well as the continuance of allowing decks in the parking areas of Michigan Ave. The matter was tabled for discussion and review at a future meeting.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support from Flores to approve street closures associated with the 5K race on September 8, 2018 from 8am – 10am as requested. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Plaszczak reported the following committees did not meet and no reports were provided. Those committees included; Finance and Administration, Parks & Rec Board, Economic Development, Historical Commission, and Wine & Harvest Board.

16. Jarvis reported the Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; update on the dam, road projects, and electric easement.

17. Jarvis reported the Area Parks & Recreation Board met. Items discussed included; mowing schedule, weed boat training for volunteers.

18. Plaszczak reported the DDA Board met. No grants were approved and a guest from WWMT discussed a promotional program the news channel offers. Façade applications were also discussed.

19. Jarvis reported that the opening day of the market went very well and nine vendors participated. Channel 3 news interviewed people and had a news story about the event.

20. Larcinese noted that the supervisors met and had a productive meeting.

21. Rohr reported that the Housing Commission met.

22. McIntosh noted that a meeting has been scheduled for May 30th.

23. Plaszczak commented that the town and Veteran’s Park looked very nice for Memorial Day weekend.

24. McIntosh stated that the Veteran’s Park looked very good for the ceremony and that we are lucky to have such a quality park.

25. Jarvis noted that the Memorial Day parade was nicely done. She also commented that she appreciates that everyone can speak freely at meetings and can talk out
disagreements together, noting that our goal should be to make the town even more attractive and welcoming than it already is.

26. Moyer-Cale noted that the restoration work on the dam was complete and that she wanted to release the final payment to Lounsbury Excavating. It was the consensus of Council to release the payment and add it to next meeting’s claims list for formal approval.

27. Chief Marshall updated the Council on a series of larcenies from unlocked vehicles. He also noted that Officer Chris Orr led the Memorial Day parade. Officer Orr served in the Air Force and is currently in the Air Force Reserve.

28. President Plasczak allowed Mr. Piquette to make another comment at his request. He commented that there are businesses in town that sell CBD and he thinks the Village would be in violation of the USDA’s compliance regulations. Moyer-Cale expressed disagreement and offered to continue the discussion at another time.

29. Motion by Craddock with support by Rohr to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  
Roman Plasczak

Village Manager,  
Sarah Moyer-Cale
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, June 11, 2018

1. The Regular Village Council meeting of Monday, June 11, 2018, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library, 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszcak presiding.

Meeting Convened

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

Members Present

3. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the amended agenda dated Monday, June 11, 2018 with the addition of discussion of “food trucks” under new business as item number 6. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Jarvis with support from Rohr to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 29, 2018. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

5. Motion by Larcinese with support of Craddock to approve claims for Monday, June 11, 2018 in the amount of $543,533.51. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Claims

6. Stan Wolbers indicated that he is a resident of Lilac Street in the Village and he is concerned about the water level in Briggs Pond. He stated it is down about 2 feet. He also questioned the design for the new dam. Staff indicated that the construction is still in progress and the water level is still being adjusted.

Audience Comments

7. Dan Seibert introduced himself to council and noted he is running for state representative.

8. Marilyn Murphy spoke to the council about her intention to request approval for a marijuana dispensary in the Village. She also provided informational documents to the council.

9. Wayne Wilhelmi inquired about pavement restoration on a portion of Oak Street. He also asked if a rail was planned to be installed at the dam along the emergency spillway. He additionally commented that he hoped council was not supportive of the county road commission’s millage proposal. Council indicated they neither support nor oppose actions of boards and commissions outside the Village’s jurisdiction.

10. Cathy Lipp questioned the timeline for road paving on Old Lane Road. She also expressed concern over tall grass at McDonald Decorating Center.
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11. Mr. Don Wickstra spoke to council about his candidacy for state senate.

12. Motion by Rohr with support from Larcinese to close the regular session and open a public hearing at 8:22pm to receive public comment regarding the millage rate for fiscal year 2018-2019. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Moyer-Cale reported that the Village’s taxable value for 2018 is $84,744,758. At the time of the budget, revenue estimates were based on keeping millage rates the same as in the previous fiscal year. Recent discussion with council regarding the need to balance the budget while strategizing budget cuts led to the recommendation to modify the millage rates. No comments were received from members of the public.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to close the public hearing and reenter the regular session at 8:27pm.

15. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to close the regular session and open a public hearing at 8:27pm to receive public comment regarding the proposed Police Special Assessment. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Moyer-Cale explained that 1.5 mills had been levied for the police special assessment on the winter tax bill last year. As a part of a strategy to balance revenue and expenditures for an estimated three years while looking into budget cuts and revenue sources while maintaining the current level of service for residents, a 2 mill assessment was recommended. It was also recommended that the assessment be made in the summer instead of the winter for administrative purposes. No comments were received from members of the public.

17. Motion by McIntosh with support from Rohr to close the public hearing and reenter the regular session at 8:30pm.

18. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to close the regular session and open a public hearing at 8:31pm to receive public comment regarding the loan from the USDA for the construction of the Briggs Mill Dam. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

19. Moyer-Cale reported that this project is being accomplished in two parts: phase one to include the emergency repairs expected to total $605,200 and phase two to include repair to the downstream portion of the dam estimated at $320,000. Phase one is very near completion and phase two has not yet been authorized or bid out. Existing funds are not adequate to repair and maintain the dam. The USDA loan is a reasonable interest rate and would allow the village to have a 30-year term. Payments are achievable for the village to make without raising rates or fees to repay the loan.
20. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to close the public hearing and reenter the regular session at 8:36pm.

21. Discussion was held regarding Resolution 18-10 to approve a millage rate for fiscal year 2019. Motion by Jarvis with support from Larcinese to adopt Resolution 18-10 Adopting Millage Rates for Fiscal Year 2019. All members voting yes, Resolution 18-10 was adopted.

22. Discussion ensued regarding the police special assessment millage. Larcinese stated he thought council had not made the budget enough of a priority and would vote to increase the millage only as a last resort. There was discussion about the reason for the recommended increase. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to adopt Resolution 18-11 Police Special Assessment Millage for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Voting Yes: Flores, Jarvis, Plaszczak, Rohr. Voting No: McIntosh, Larcinese, Craddock. Requiring a 2/3 vote of the council, the motion was rejected.

23. General discussion was held about the USDA loan. McIntosh inquired into sources for repayment and if the Village could afford to pay back the loan sooner than 30 years. Motion by Flores with support from Jarvis to adopt Resolution 18-12 to accept a loan from the USDA for the Briggs Mill Dam Repair project. All members voting yes, motion carried.

24. Moyer-Cale identified that this resolution was necessary for the USDA loan. Motion by McIntosh with support from Jarvis to adopt Resolution 18-13 to authorize issuance of general obligation limited tax bonds. All members voting yes, motion carried.

25. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to approve the easement located at 706 S. Kalamazoo Street. All members voting yes, motion carried.

26. Discussion ensued regarding recent interest in food trucks within the Village including where they could be located and current regulations for them. It was the consensus of council for staff to research and report considerations for future regulations for food trucks within the village.

27. It was the consensus of council to further discuss the police special assessment millage. Discussion about the impact of the millage on the budget was held. Motion by Rohr with support from Craddock to amend Resolution 18-11 to become Resolution 18-14 and be set at 1.5 mills for an estimated $117,757 in revenue. All members voting yes, motion carried.

28. Rohr reported that the Finance and Administration committee met and discussed the millage rates and the budget.
29. Jarvis reported that the Parks and Recreation board discussed improvements to the Tyler Field restrooms and donations from Rocket Football as well as the shoreline project on Maple Island.

30. Larcinese noted that the new squad truck is now in use.

31. McIntosh noted that the wellhead protection committee met to select winners for the water bottle design contest.

32. Craddock indicated his support for Chief Marshall’s comments regarding the sentencing of the high school student who threatened the school.

33. Flores noted his concern about safety on the corner of Fairfield and Michigan Ave. It is difficult for drivers to see and there was an accident recently.

34. McIntosh questioned if stop signs could be removed from Gremps Street to allow for a truck route. Staff reported that research had been done in the past and they would follow up.

35. Plaszczyk noted that he attended the open house at Freshwater Church. It was very impressive and they did an excellent job rehabbing the building.

36. Flores noted that he is still impressed with the number of requests we receive for use of the Kids Paradise facility.

37. Moyer-Cale updated the council on repairs to Briggs Mill Dam.

38. Chief Marshall noted that the department is on track to respond to a record number of calls for service this year.

39. Motion by Flores with support by Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, 
Roman Plaszczyk

Village Manager, 
Sarah Moyer-Cale
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, June 18, 2018

1. The Special Village Council meeting of Monday, June 18, 2018, convened at 7:00 p.m. at the Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority Office, 129 S Kalamazoo Street, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Roman Plaszczak presiding.

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

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

4. Let the record show no public comment was submitted.

5. Moyer-Cale presented to the Council Resolution 18-15 which would revoke Resolution 18-10 and correct millage rate of 11.2697 for General Operation and 4.5077 for Street Operation. A brief discussion took place regarding the amendments.

6. Motion Craddock with support from Rohr to adopt Resolution 18-15. Roll call vote; Jarvis, Rohr, Flores, McIntosh, Plaszczak, Larcinese and Craddock all voting yes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Larcinese with support by Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak

Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper