

Village of Stevensville
Regular Council Meeting
Minutes
Wednesday, August 10, 2016
6:00pm

Meeting called to order by President Slavicek at 6:00P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Trustees: Ken Hansen, Brian Liggett, Amanda Pohyba, Carl Steinberger, Larry Wozniak, Pat Arter, President Steve Slavicek

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk: Tiffany Moore, Treasurer: Barbi Hammond

Motion by Wozniak to approve the agenda. 2nd by Pohyba. Motion carried.

Motion by Arter to pull the August Bills for review and approve the rest of the Consent Agenda, including the Regular meeting minutes of July 13, 2016 and Bank Balances ending August 3, 2016. 2nd by Hansen. President Slavicek asked for a Roll Call Vote:

Ken Hansen – Yes

Brian Liggett – Yes

Amanda Pohyba – Yes

Carl Steinberger – Yes

Larry Wozniak – Yes

Pat Arter – Yes

Steve Slavicek – Yes

Motion Carried.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

a. Application from Stevensville Chiropractic Center for a Commercial Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate

A public hearing is set for Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 5:45pm with the Regular meeting immediately following.

b. Request from Patriot Agency (Charlie Batizy) to hand out flyers to veterans for the Michiana Patriots Walk 2016

Motion by Arter to allow Charlie Batizy to hand out flyers for the Michiana Patriots Walk 2016. 2nd by Steinberger. Motion Carried.

c. Request from Harvest Bible Chapel (Susan Cairns) to distribute door hanger literature about church at YMCA in St Joseph

Motion by Hansen to allow Harvest Bible Chapel to distribute door hanger literature in the Village advertising the new church at the YMCA in St Joseph. 2nd by Wozniak. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report

Tax collection has been slow. The Audit will be presented at the September meeting.

Code Enforcement Report

There were 2 grass violations total for July, one of which the DPW had to mow, and 3 so far for August. Several notices were mailed out concerning unsafe trees, including Competitive Edge, which was removed, the property located next to TNT detailing, one of Fairview, and a neighbor dispute on John Beers, that was not found to be in Violation.

A letter was sent to the owner of the building by the Hickory Creek park inquiring about a possible donation of the property to the Village.

Noise complaints have been heard concerning both Watermark and First Church of God.

Committee Reports:

Finance – Given by Chair Arter

Darren from DMPE looked at the Noon Siren and quoted \$1271 for parts with free labor. An upgrade to three phase electric will need to be done, President Slavicek will get a quote for that.

Motion by Arter to allow the Clerk and Treasurer to continue with online bill pay as the six month trial period went well. 2nd by Steinberger. Motion Carried.

Motion by Arter to approve August bills totaling \$64,794.30 (General \$62,033.33, Major \$2,634.36, Local \$126.61). 2nd by Steinberger. Motion Carried.

Policy & Procedures – Given by Chair Liggett

Discussed the location of the two benches and water fountain that were in the sitting park. President Slavicek will ask the DDC for ideas.

Motion by Liggett to allow the DPW to remove the sign box in front of the hall. 2nd by Arter. Motion Carried.

Planning/Parks – Given by Trustee Steinberger

Ryan Fellows of Southwest Michigan Planning Commission presented a survey. Motion by Steinberger to accept the survey mail out postcards with survey information. 2nd by Wozniak. Motion Carried.

A request from Mobilitie to place a cell tower was denied based on ordinance 30-45 (3) stating wireless communication must be located in an Industrial Park.

DPW – Given by Trustee Liggett

Motion by Liggett to give DPW employee Ken Alexander a 2% raise retroactive to his anniversary date. 2nd by Steinberger. Motion Carried.

DPW employee Daniel Kruck was given an extension to his probationary period until he obtains his CDL.

Motion by Liggett to purchase reflective signs for around the guard rails for \$332.70. 2nd by Hansen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hansen to hire Wightman and Assoc. to conduct the 2016 Biennial Bridge Inspection for \$1550. 2nd by Wozniak. Motion Carried.

DDC – Looking into a location for the bike racks and benches.

Working on Christmas in the Village, December 3rd.

Public Comment: Inquiries about turning the alley into a one-way street, purchasing signs for pedestrian crossing and all day parking. The DPW committee will review these.

Correspondence: None

Announcements:

September Dates:

Thursday 1st – Planning – 6pm

Monday 5th - Office Closed – Labor Day

Friday 9th – Movie Night - Pan

Monday 12th – Finance – 5pm

Monday 12th – Policy & Procedures – immediately following Finance

Monday 12th – DPW – immediately following Policy & Procedures

Tuesday 13th – DDC – 5:30pm

Wednesday 14th – Public Hearing – 5:45pm, Council immediately following

Council Comments:

None

Motion to adjourn by Hansen. 2nd by Liggett. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by President Slavicek at 7:16pm

Submitted by: Tiffany Moore, Clerk