

MUIR VILLAGE COUNCIL

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July 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Muir Village Council met Tuesday, July 13, 2021. Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. by President Doug Hyland.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- III. **ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:** Roll was called and a quorum reported.
PRESENT: President Doug Hyland, Trustees: Brent Piselli, Jacob Garber, Derek Kacos, Ron Vander Werff, Laura Stewart, Brian Nelson
ABSENT: none
VILLAGE PERSONNEL PRESENT: Clerk Susan Craft, DPW Jerrett Loomis
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** **BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Stewart, supported by Trustee Garber, to approve the agenda
MOTION CARRIED
- V. **GUEST SPEAKER:** none
- VI. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** **BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Stewart, supported by Trustee Vander Werff to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021 regular meeting, the June 8, 2021 Public Hearing, the June 23, 2021 Special Meeting and the June 23, 2021 Public Hearing.
MOTION CARRIED.
- VII. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNT PAYABLE/BILLS:** **BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Kacos, supported by Trustee Stewart to approve the bills in the amount of \$56,041.35.
MOTION CARRIED.
- VIII. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** One CD will mature at the end of July. Interest remains low. The village taxes are being received.
- IX. **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:** Lorraine Schmitz, Patty Priest, and Tom Bennett
- X. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Patty updated the council on events coming up. July 27, 2021 from 5-8 PM, Culver's of Ionia will be donating 10% of the proceeds of sales to the events committee. The committee has received six bikes for prizes at their Day of Music Event on August 7, 2021, which will run from noon to midnight. Super Heroes will be there for the kids from 2 to 4 PM.
- XI. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 1. **Street/Water/Sewer Committee:** none
 2. **Cemetery Committee:** New brochure was submitted to the council for comment
 3. **Fire & Safety Committee:** Tom Bennett, representing the Lyons/Muir Fire Department answered questions regarding the department. The Fire Chief, Lyndon Randall, is currently in the hospital. The department has

had no large projects in the last 18 months. Trainings have been limited to small groups because of COVID. Lyons/Muir has 21 members on their roster, 14 members in Pewamo. No new applications have been received in five years. Average is 160 calls per year with 85% being medical. In the last quarter there were 23 medical runs in Muir alone. The second and fourth Thursdays are training and the first Sunday of the month is the Regular meeting.

4. **Finance/Personnel Committee:** The final grant submittal for the Energy Grant was sent in. The ARPA money was applied for.
5. **Ordinance Committee:** Trustee Vander Werff reported that the committee is continuing to send out letters, some have complied, others are not communicating.
6. **Parks & Recreation Committee:** none

XII. BUSINESS TO DISCUSS:

1. **Website update proposal:**

BOARD ACTION: Motion by Trustee Vander Werff, supported by Trustee Piselli to approve the proposal from STG for the Gold Package website upgrade for \$2,250 and the Fully Supported program for \$750 per year.

MOTION CARRIED

2. **Community Room Rental and Brochure:** Trustee Garber presented a draft brochure. Council is to send comments to Trustee Garber and Stewart for a final draft at the next meeting.

XIII. TABLED ITEMS: none

XIV. DPW REPORT: DPW Loomis presented council with the cost of removing trees behind the new proposed open storage at the DPW garage. Building is slated to be installed in the next 2 to 4 weeks. Triple J gave a bid of \$2,882 for a pad but DPW wants to do the pad themselves to save part of the cost.

BOARD ACTION: Motion by Trustee Kacos, supported by Trustee Vander Werff to have Rick White take down trees and trim trees at the DPW garage for a bid of \$2,100, work to start Saturday, July 17, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED

XV. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. CIS Trail email- The Trail Board is hoping for money from the State to improve the Trail
2. MML Conference- no delegates are attending
3. Village Wide Garage Sales- Agreed upon dates of August 12-14th

BOARD ACTION: Motion by Trustee Vander Werff, supported by Trustee Stewart to advertise for the Lyons/Muir Community yard sales if Lyons agrees, at a cost to Muir not to exceed \$50.

MOTION CARRIED

XVI. MEMBER COMMENTS:

Piselli: none

Garber: none

Nelson: Asked about mosquito abatement

Kacos: Complaints about the resident at 114 E Prospect. Sheriff to be contacted. Thanked Tom Bennett for his work on the building.

Stewart: none

VanderWerff: Asked about the start date of the Animal Ordinance.

Craft: none

Newman: absent

Hyland: Complaints about a homeless person wandering the village. Sheriff's Department was contacted.

Loomis: none

XVII. ADJOURNMENT:

BOARD ACTION: Motion by Trustee Stewart supported by Trustee Kacos to adjourn at 7:55 PM

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted by: Susan Craft Muir Village Clerk