

# MUIR VILLAGE COUNCIL

## President

Douglas Hyland

## President Pro-Tem

Laura Stewart

## Trustees

Brent Piselli

Jacob Garber

Derek Kacos

Brian Nelson

Ron Vanderwerff

## Treasurer

Jim Newman

## Clerk

Susan Craft

## DPW Employees

Jerrett Loomis

Dan Heckman

## October 8, 2024 Regular Meeting

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Muir Village Council met Tuesday, October 8, 2024. Regular meeting called to order at 7:02 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:**  
**PRESENT:** President Doug Hyland, Trustees: Jacob Garber, Derek Kacos, Laura Stewart, Ron Vanderwerff  
**ABSENT:** Brent Piselli, Brian Nelson  
**VILLAGE PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Susan Craft, Jerrett Loomis
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**  
**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Stewart, supported by Trustee Garber to approve the agenda with the addition of Guest Speaker, Danell Diakow, Fleis and Vandenbrink.  
**MOTION CARRIED**
- V. **GUEST SPEAKER:** Danell Diakow, Fleis and Vandenbrink- Discussion on the offer from EGLE CWSRF of a Sewer Loan to replace the lift station, force main, repair the lagoons and discharge, plus collection system.  
**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Vanderwerff, supported by Trustee Stewart to go ahead with CWSRF Funding for the Sewer Project with a 1% loan over 30 years and 20% loan forgiveness as offered by CWSRF and use the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2025 as the closing date.  
**Roll Call Vote:**  
Ayes: Trustees Garber, Kacos, Stewart, Vanderwerff and President Hyland  
Nays: none  
Absent Trustees Nelson, Piselli  
**MOTION CARRIED**
- VI. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Kacos, supported by Trustee Vanderwerff to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2024 regular meeting.  
**MOTION CARRIED**
- VII. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/BILLS:**  
**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Garber, supported by Trustee Vanderwerff to pay the bills in the amount of \$65,696.09.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Taxes are complete with 131,918.54 of 155,997.02 being received as of September 16, 2024.

**IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Street/Water/Sewer Committee:
2. Cemetery Committee: none
3. Fire & Safety Committee: none
4. Finance/Personnel Committee: none
5. Ordinance Committee: none
6. Parks & Recreation/Rail Trail Committee: Bid Opening for the new park is October 17, 2024

**X. BUSINESS TO DISCUSS:**

1. Bridge Inspection: outline of future repairs
2. BS&A payment plan and addendum:  
**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Stewart, supported by Trustee Kacos to accept the addendum from BS&A for the new online payment portal supported by BS&A at no cost to the village and to allow Susan Craft, Clerk, to sign for the village.  
**MOTION CARRIED**
3. CWSRF funding for sewer improvements: Completed earlier in meeting
4. Rate Study, November 12, 2024 at 9 am- council invited to attend
5. Task Force Meeting for Villages, October 15, 2024: Village has a project for mill and fill of Ionia Street from M21 to the Village limits in 2026.

**XI. TABLED ITEMS:** None

**XII. DPW REPORT:** East Street crush and shape is done. Base coat asphalt is slated for Friday and top coat the following week. Lagoon discharge and hydrant flushing slated for next week. Chip and fog seal is complete. Trees are down from Rick White and stumps to be started this week. Truck trade deal presented.

**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Kacos, supported by Trustee Vanderwerff to sell the 2022 pickup and purchase a 2025 pickup under the MiDeal program at a cost of \$56,161.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BOARD ACTION:** Motion by Trustee Kacos, supported by Trustee Stewart to advertise the 2022 pickup for \$45,000 with \$43,000 as the bottom cash offer accepted.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** none

**XIV. CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Email from Beth Mowatt regarding the M21 speed limit. Discussion on President Hylands interaction with the state representative and MDOT with further correspondence from MDOT expected through the senator's office

**XV. MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Garber: wheelchair signs  
Kacos: none

Nelson: absent

Piselli: absent

Stewart: Rate study question and need for more volunteers for caps

Vanderwerff: none

Newman: absent

Loomis: Notification of lagoon work to Lyons

Craft: Fire Dept. confirmed Halloween help. Need LTDL board member still, no response from Newsletter.

Hyland: Gave an update on the MDOT issue with the school zone. Attended the Webber Dam meeting with Consumers again. Three options, Relicense, Sell, Remove. Recycle meeting on October 23, 2024

**XVI. MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Motion by Trustee Kacos, second by Trustee Vanderwerff at 8:18 PM.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM

Respectfully submitted by: Susan Craft, Village Clerk