

**VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

JANUARY 23, 2017

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 7:00
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ATTENDANCE *Beck, Cole, DeRuyscher, Kirklin, Markle, Rossman, Smith*
4. WELCOME TO PUBLIC
5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING BEING RECORDED
6. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENT ON AN IFT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY WESTERN DIVERSIFIED PLASTICS
Motion by Beck, supported by Smith to open the Public Hearing. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sara Dana from WDP explained that they currently employ approximately 800 currently. They have been in Mattawan since the early 80's and glad to be a part of the community. She explained a little bit about what WDP does and the company's history.

Joe Agostinelli from South West Michigan First added that any community would be fortunate to have a company like WDP that is committed to creating jobs.
8. CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING
Motion by Beck, supported by Cole to close the Public Hearing. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
9. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA *President Markle added New Business G, Request for Water Abatement*
10. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion by Beck, supported by Rossman to approve the agenda as amended. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
11. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2017
Motion by Rossman, supported by DeRuyscher to approve the minutes of January 9, 2017. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
12. BILLS TO BE APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$38,985.69**

Motion by Smith, supported by Rossman to approve the bills in the amount of \$38,985.69. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

13. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM NONE

14. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. PLANNING COMMISSION- *Liaison Rossman reported there was no Old Business or New Business*

B. POLICY & PERSONNEL- *Chair Beck the committee looked at the Job Description for the Administrative Assistant and would like the entire Board to review and make any suggestions. They will look at it again in two weeks. John also would like Council to give authorization for Committees to meet for Budget.*

Motion by Beck, supported by Smith to authorize Committees to meet and begin work on budgets. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

15. STAFF REPORTS

A. POLICE DEPARTMENT- *Chief Herbert reported that there were 128 calls for service, nothing at the school, and 67 citations written.*

B. ATTORNEY'S REPORT- *Attorney Graham reported that White Pine Estates should be getting their inspection by the State this week.*

C. ENGINEER'S REPORT- *No Report*

16. OLD BUSINESS NONE

17. NEW BUSINESS

A. ***DISCUSSION & DECISION ON IFT APPLICATION RECEIVED FROM WESTERN DIVERSIFIED PLASTICS***

Motion by Beck, supported by Rossman to approve the IFT Application from WDP as presented for 12 years. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

B. ***INSTALLATION OF HEATERS AT THE DPW- With the replacement heaters at the Water Treatment Plants we removed one heater at each plant with the thought of having them installed at the DPW Building as a backup systems in case of issues with the boiler. Total cost of \$5,930 \$4,000 was budgeted, there is money in the DPW Building Repair and Maintenance to cover the remaining \$1,930***

C. ***SPRING CLEAN UP- We received 2 bids for curbside clean up:***

Best Way \$227/ton
Republic \$206.50/ton

Motion by Smith, supported by Beck to approve the contract with Republic for an amount not to exceed \$206.50/ton. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

D. VALVE REPLACEMENT AT TREATMENT PLANTS- Several valves need to be replaced at the treatment plants. Total cost \$6,627.54 Funds will come from the water budget under operating supplies.

Motion by Smith, supported by Cole to approve the purchase of the valves for an amount not to exceed \$6,627.54. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

E. ELECTRONIC SIGNS- the Village has received several inquiries and requests for electronic signs. The Sign Ordinance does not give any direction for them. Would like Zoning & Ordinance Committee to review the Ordinance and make recommendation for changes.

Motion by Beck, supported by Smith to send to Zoning & Ordinance. Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

F. QUESTION OF COUNCL MEMBER MISCONDUCT- The charge of Council Member Misconduct is that Council Member Smith, failed to act in an orderly manner at the Council meeting of January 9, 2017, when he threw items in the air. Striking Council Member Brenda DeRuyscher, in violation of Section 6.6 of the Village charter.

Motion by Beck, supported by Rossman that this charge be considered by the Village Council at a hearing conducted pursuant to Section 5.4 of the Charter at the Council Meeting of February 13, 2017 and that the Council consider whether Mr. Smith's action constitute misconduct in office, and whether removal from the Council is appropriate. Roll call vote take. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

- 18. COMMUNICATIONS NONE
- 19. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS NONE
- 20. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL NONE
- 21. ADJOURNMENT @ 7:41