

**VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

MARCH 27, 2017

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 7:00
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ATTENDANCE: **Beck, Cole, DeRuyscher, Libbrecht, Markle, Rossman**
4. WELCOME TO PUBLIC
5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING BEING RECORDED
6. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
Remove New Business D and E from the agenda. President Markle moved the Honorable judge McKay to the beginning of meeting.
7. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion by Rossman, supported by DeRuyscher to approve the agenda. All members in favor. Motion carried.
8. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2017
Motion by Beck, supported by Rossman. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
9. BILLS TO BE APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ **19,433.46**
Motion by DeRuyscher, supported by Rossman. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.
10. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEM **NONE**
11. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. DPW Meeting March 27th- **Cole made a verbal report minutes will be in the next packet.**
12. STAFF REPORTS
 - B. POLICE DEPARTMENT-*Chief Herbert*
Chief Herbert reported, 121 complaints
And 60 citations

- C. ATTORNEY'S REPORT- *Attorney Graham stated they may still settle their water bill. Mr. Graham has a court hearing on this matter Tuesday, Attorney Scott Graham was advised that White Pines are to cease business and close park. He stated he was hopeful to get permission to shut off water. He stated he had a court hearing on Tuesday, March 28th on this matter.*

Attorney Scott Graham also stated: Regarding the Teamsters, packets will be mailed out on March 30th, 2017 and due back on April 18th. The votes will be counted on April 19th. Mr. Graham also stated that Chief Herbert has done everything correctly.

- D. ENGINEER'S REPORT - *DDA meeting: Tim stated they are having problems finding an artist to build a sculpture, or they are too expensive. The idea of a clock would look nice on a pedestal and we already have the base. Tim will speak with DDA about it.*

Tim did more research on obtaining a Grant. He stated we may be Eligible for an income survey. The Historic District might qualify, and may make us eligible for certain types of grants.

Survey on 60th and Main St. has current speed limits with not enough sight distance. Needs a center line survey and rate of curvature. Three driveway permits are on hold. Tim will have a cost at the next meeting.

MDOT job: In the application process. Main St. and Freedom Lane construction. Tim is working with Matt. Total construction cost is approximately \$350,000 with \$160,000 coming out of the Village fund.

MDOT job: Still working on paperwork. Julie is talking to contractor once a week and hopeful to close in May.

13. OLD BUSINESS –

A. NONE

14. NEW BUSINESS

- A. *DISRICT COURT JUDGE MIKE MCKAY - Judge Mike McKay informed the council of a May 2, 2017 millage vote that would improve County Courthouse, Jail and Administration Facilities. He informed the council on many helpful treatment programs that are available. He was very adamant that he was not advocating one way or the other on the proposed upcoming May 2, 2017 vote.*

B. APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE TREASURER

-Accept nomination

-Vote

-Declare Treasurer

Motion by Beck, supported by Markle. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Joann Rossman was declared Treasurer

C. COUNCIL E-MAIL ADDRESSES-

Motion by Rossman, supported by DeRuyscher. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

15. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Discussion of Newsletter to go out in May

B. John asked if Terri could set up new emails for all council members. John stated the council would like to have email of: ex: jbeck@Mattawan.gov

C. Tim would like a DDA meeting set up at Terri's convenience.

16. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

- *Chris Ballingall informed the council: There would be a caravan of 10 semi's leaving from Lawrence on Friday, March 31, 2017. The campaign is called: Farmers No food for Cattle. Donations were being excepted until Wed. March 29, 2017 at the feed Mill in Lawrence.*
- *Chris Ballingall also stated that Senior Services donated money to Mattawan School Food Program to pay unpaid balances of students/ families unpaid debt.*
- *Tim would like a DDA meeting set up at Terri's convenience.*

17. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

- **Discussion of Newsletter to go out in May**
- **Beck asked if Terri could set up new emails for all council members. John stated the council would like to have email of: ex: jbeck@Mattawan.gov and add Mattawan.gov for our web site address.**
- **Congratulations to Joe**
- **Beck is working on training, and networking with other communities.**
- **Superintendent Anthony was voted in as the Michigan Rural Water President at their annual conference.**

18. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:36 P.M.