

**DE TOUR VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
April 1, 2019**

The regular meeting of the De Tour Village Council was held on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 5:00pm in the De Tour Village Memorial Hall. Board members present were President Lindsey Fountain, Ron Lamere, Tim Loehr, Marilyn McGuire, Gordon Usher, Jen Postula, and Jeremy Vredenburg. Members absent were Josh Adams and Shirley VanAlstine. Bob Trudo, Johnny Fountain Jr., Jeff Galarowic, Chuck Lanning and Candy Postula were also in attendance.

President Fountain called the meeting to order at 5:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance immediately following.

A motion was made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Ron Lamere to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing – Budget meeting held on March 26, 2019.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

A motion was made by Gordon Usher and supported by Tim Loehr to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting held on April 1, 2019 as presented

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

A motion was made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Tim Loehr to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of April as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

On a motion made by Ron Lamere and supported by Jeremy Vredenburg, the bills for April were approved to be paid in the amount of \$7598.05.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ambulance: Corp Captain Candy Postula informed Council ambulance service has been very busy.

Economic Development: Job Fair scheduled for April 26th is cancelled. Reschedule with second marijuana grower's business is operational.

Festivals: Per Susie Baker, the Memorial Day celebration will be held on Sunday, May 27th. Information placed on LED and flyers posted. Currently the Festival Committee is working on Independence Day celebration. Summer Concert Series is will underway with bookings. Petoskey Steel Drum is not returning this year, as the group does not schedule concerts on weekends. Amy Church discussed with Council the need for fundraising for festivals and will sell calendars for profit. There will be a contest for photos for the calendar. Residents will vote on the photos at the Library. Council was asked if the \$1100 up front printing cost could be paid by General Fund. The \$1100 will be paid back from sales.

A motion was made by Gordon Usher and supported by Ron Lamere to pay for the up-front printing cost for calendar fundraiser in the amount of \$1100.00 with payment return from sales.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

Finance: No new business

Fire Department: Fire Chief Lanning stated the Fire Department had three (3) active runs to Raber and Drummond Island in the month of March. Fire Department volunteers completed an update in first aid, and all are certified.

Parks and Recreation: Per Susie Baker, MDNR grant was submitted for the Pickellball project. October 2019 matching funds in the amount of \$42K need to be raised. To date the committee has raised \$16K.

Botanical Gardens, Malette Park and EUPTA Park pending updates when weather breaks by the committee members and volunteers.

Planning and Commission: No new business

Public Works: Public Works Director, Bob Trudo, discussed quote from Rowe Professional Services Company for the sanitary sewer system evaluation and the need to complete this evaluation. The cost is \$8850 and would be paid out of the sewer fund.

A motion was made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Tim Loehr to approve the terms of the agreement with Rowe Professional Service and contract the work to be completed when weather permits at a cost to the Village of \$8850.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

Water & Sewer: No new business

Zoning: No new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Susie Baker with the assistance of Johnny Fountain Jr. and Marilyn McGuire informed Council on the Grant for Transportation Economic Development Fund Category B which is being submitted on or before April 5th. This grant will help in the funding of the match due by Village for the 2020 Rural Task Force road project (Ontario Street to Spring Bay). The grant requires a resolution to establish a request for funding, designated agent and attest to the funds and commitment to the project.

A motion was made by Ron Lamere and supported by Gordon Usher to approve a resolution for grant funding by Transportation Economic Development Fund Category B Program to include the request for \$250K, designated agent and attest to the funds and commitment to the 2020 improvement road project from Ontario Street and Elizabeth Street to Spring Bay Road.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-5 No-0 Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Increase in Ambulance run fee from \$30 to \$50 with onsite calls increasing from \$10 to \$15 was recommend by Council for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.

A motion was made by Tim Loehr and supported by Ron Lamere to increase the ambulance fees to the recommend rate of \$50 for ambulance run and \$15 for onsite calls.

Recommendation for employee 3% merit raise and increase for DPW Director Bob Trudo.

A motion was made by Ron Lamere and supported by Gordon Usher to approve the 3% merit increase and increase DPW Director wages.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-0 NO-0 Motion Carried

Clerk discussed with Council the need for Village property surveys. Clerk will work with Treasurer, Jen Postula, Bob Trudo and Susie Baker to create a binder of all surveys and pursue surveys where needed.

President Fountain informed Council she was approached by high school students regarding building two boxes as a shop project to be placed in the Village for a free library program. President Fountain will request the information in detail and bring to Council for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Village Resident Dale Carlson addressed Council and public regarding the need for an area resident to be on the Cloverland Board. Mr. Carlson is running for a seat and will be on the May ballot and asked for everyone's support and to inform Village/Township neighbors and friends. Mr. Carlson has Dick Newland's full support, as both gentlemen have served on the Cloverland board in the past for many years.

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, on a motion made by Jeremy Vredenburg, to adjourn the meeting at 5:35pm. The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2019 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn McGuire, Village Clerk