

**DE TOUR VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 5, 2018**

The regular meeting of the De Tour Village Council was held on Monday, February 05, 2018 at 5:00pm in the De Tour Village Memorial Hall. Board members present were Murray Fountain, Joe Hudak, Fred Payment, Gordon Usher, Jeremy Vredenburg and David Rhinard. Jen Postula, Johnny Fountain, Jeff Galarowic, Bob Trudo were also in attendance. Josh Adams and Marilyn McGuire were absent.

A motion was made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Fred Payment to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 8, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Motion Carried

A motion was made by Fred Payment and supported by Jeremy Vredenburg to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of February as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Motion Carried.

On a motion made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Fred Payment, the bills for February were approved to be paid in the amount of \$3,945.88 as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ambulance – Council discussed the purchase of a cot for the ambulance. Rob Bloch presented one option of not purchasing, and two options for financing the needed equipment. Jeremy Vredenburg made a motion to move forward with option #3 which involves Tribal grant money, as well as funds from our ambulance account and budget and possible financing through the vendor; a stipulation of the motion is to ensure a cushion remains in our ambulance donation fund for emergencies. Gordon seconded the motion. Council will readjust the funds allocation after finding out if the Tribe will grant some funds toward the purchase.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Motion Carried.

Economic Development – EDC plans for the Job Fair are underway. It is planned for late April, with a date to be announced.

Festivals – No new business.

Finance – no new business

Fire Department – Chief Chuck Lanning was able to procure the fire truck for free Wyoming, MI. With this generous donation, we will be able to afford to outfit the truck as needed. Chuck is in the process of organizing the work to be done.

Parks and Recreation – no new business

Planning Commission – no new business

Public Works – DPW Director Bob Trudo reported everything is running smoothly.

Water & Sewer – No new business.

Zoning – no new business

OLD BUSINESS

Rob Bloch has discussed the LED street lights with Craig Luplow at length and is recommending the council ask Cloverland Electric Supervisor, Mark Merchberger to paint all the lenses as the new lights are being installed so they will all match, rather than wait to handle them each on a case by case basis. The council agreed.

Council discussed the Sunrise Communication equipment that is still around the Village, but in great disrepair. They would like Sunrise to remove their old equipment.

NEW BUSINESS

Lighthouse.net has sold. The Village has received communication from Manager, Steve Mason regarding the new upgrades in store and the possibility of an updated contract between Lighthouse and Village of DeTour wherein Lighthouse can keep their internet equipment on the Village water tower in exchange for internet services for the Village. The old contract is no longer valid. Council will wait until the new contract is available for their review and proceed with a decision at that time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Murray Fountain presented a letter he received from the EUP Regional Planning & Development Commission inviting the Village to send any members of Planning Commission and/or elected officials to a training. Rob Bloch expanded on this message, stating the importance of a Planning Commission and Strategic Plan for the Village.

Joe Hudak asked about the progress with any new marijuana businesses. Rob Bloch reported that he has some verbal commitments and that they are now in the process of meeting the licensing requirements with LARA.

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, on a motion made by Joe Hudak and supported by Fred Payment, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm. The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2018 at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Postula, Treasurer