

**DE TOUR VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 3, 2017**

The regular meeting of the De Tour Village Council was held on Monday, April 3, 2017, at 5:00pm in the De Tour Village Memorial Hall. Board Members present were Josh Adams, Susie Baker, Murray Fountain, Joe Hudak, Marilyn McGuire, Fred Payment, Jen Postula and Jeremy Vredenbrug. Dane Kuusinen arrived at 5:13pm. Jeff Galarowic, Chuck Lanning, Marc Neslon and Bob Trudo were in attendance.

A motion as made by Joe Hudak and supported by Fred Payment to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 6, 2017.

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

A motion was made by Susie Baker and supported by Joe Hudak to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April as presented.

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

On a motion made by Joe Hudak and supported by Susie Baker, the bills for April were approved for payment as presented.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ambulance – no new business.

Economic Development – Rob Bloch reported to Council the EDC will pursue potential investors for a new motel. Mr. Bloch received a call from a person regarding a potential new business venture in the Village or Township. Research will be completed by a committee including Rob Bloch, Jeremy Vredenbrug, and Dave Henderson. The committee will report back to Council at the May meeting. Public Hearing date April 10th for establishment of ORV routes for North Huron Scenic Byways.

Finance – Treasurer reported to Council that the CSB water loan is not in compliance with USDA Bond Ordinance, per Brenda Stevenson of USDA Rural Development. To comply, the CSB water loan should be paid off using Water General Funds and Reserve, Replacement and Improvement Water Funds.

A motion made by Susie Baker and supported by Joe Hudak, to approve the CSB water loan payoff and clear the debt with payment from Water General and Water RRIF.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-7 No-0 Motion Carried

Fire Department – Chief Lanning reported to Council that a high pressure pump is needed. 2017-2018 FY budgets do not reflect funding. Chief Lanning will research out cost and possible grant funds. Lanning reported he purchased fire gear for the firefighters with a \$2000 grant received last year. Chuck Lanning brought the old ambulance that was donated to the Fire Department to the meeting for Council and the public to see the improvements made such as repainting of vehicle by Brandon Rairigh and new lettering donated by Matt and Susie Schultz. Clerk was asked to send out donation thank you letters to both parties.

Parks – Recreation – Beautification – Susie Baker reported the wind damage to Pavilion is covered by insurance and JB Custom Homes will complete the repairs. JB Customs Homes was asked to give an estimate on completing work on North Side of Pavilion not covered by insurance at an approximately cost of \$6200. . Susie Baker asked Council if private donations are obtained, could this work be completed at the time insurance work is done. Also, De Tour Area Schools will donate to the Village commercial kitchen equipment for the Pavilion. JB Custom Homes donated a drawing of the kitchen with the equipment for Council’s review. Bob Trudo with the help of Village employees, Mark Nelson and Jeff Galarowic, and Fountain Excavating owner Jason Fountain will work on completing water/sewer hookup at the Pavilion

A motion was made by Fred Payment and supported by Joe Hudak to complete the Pavilion upgrades by JB Custom Homes with private donations, and to accept the donated kitchen equipment from De Tour Area Schools.

Roll Call Vote: Yes=7 No-0 Motion Carried

MDNR has been contacted regarding the geese problem along the waterfront and in the Village Community. This problem was addressed last year, along with the over grown along the marina waterfront. Cory Butcher, MDNR, will be in contact with Village Officials, as well, land owners to address and remedy this situation.

Per Kris Kelley, Christmas lights will be removed from the Botanical Gardens as soon as weather allows.

Planning Commission - Dane Kuusinen is in contact with Mary Ann Noah and will continue to research the Village zoning issues.

Public Works – Per Bob Trudo, the Peterbilt is experiencing transmissions problems. Work will be completed to correct leaking issues; however, in the near future replacement will be needed. 2% funding was received last fall in the amount of \$5000 towards the repair and replacement of ambulance doors, block repair and re-painting of building. Spring 2% application was completed to add to this cost as well monies budgeted in building improvement for the 2017-2018 FY. JB Custom Homes completed this estimate and Bob Trudo asked for Council’s approval to award this work.

A motion was made by Joe Hudak and supported by Susie Baker to award contract to JB Custom Homes and have contractor begin work as soon as weather permits.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-7 No-0 Motion Carried

Zoning – No new business. Dane Kuusinen asked Clerk to remove zoning from agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

Dave Henderson along with members of the HVAL board attended the meeting to update the progress. HVAL progress is moving forward. All involved are communicating via email, and phone conferences. In the near future, HVAL will hold a public hearing to unveil the plans for the assisted living. HVAL appreciates all the support.

Rural Task Force – President Fountain and Susie Baker attended the Rural Task Force meeting last week and report the Village road project North Caribou Lake Road (village limit at Spring Bay Road) to

Elizabeth Street is on the RTF project list. President Fountain and Susie Baker will be attending the April 6th meeting held in SSM on behalf of the Village.

NEW BUSINESS

The Village is seeking to retain a new attorney, as Stuart Spencer, is retiring. Council asked Clerk to research other municipalities for attorney recommendation.

Susie Baker asked that Festivals be placed on the agenda under committee reports. There will be a festival committee meeting Wednesday, April 5th, at 6pm at the Village Hall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, on a motion made by Josh Adams the meeting adjourned at 6:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn McGuire, Clerk
Village of De Tour
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