

**DE TOUR VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 4, 2021**

The regular meeting of the De Tour Village Council was held on January 4, 2021 at 6:02pm via in-person and Zoom per Act No. 254 Public Acts of 2020 due to the pandemic. Board members present were President Lindsey McGuire, Josh Adams, Ron LaMere, Gordon Usher, Jeremy Vredenburg, Tim Loehr and Shirley VanAlstine, and Jen Postula.

A motion was made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Ron LaMere to approve minutes of the regular monthly meeting held on December 7, 2020 as presented.

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

A motion was made by Josh Adams and supported by Shirley VanAlstine to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of January 2021 as presented.

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

On a motion made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Gordon Usher, the bills for January were approved to be paid as presented in the amount of \$39,983.30.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ambulance: No new business.

Economic Development: No new business.

Festivals: No new Business.

Finance:

Jen presented resolution 20210104-1 to combine the Clerk/Treasurer positions.

The motion to approve was made by Ron LaMere, seconded by Gordon Usher.

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

Jen asked that the council appoint Marilyn McGuire as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer. Ron LaMere made motion to appoint Marilyn, Gordon Usher seconded.

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

Jeremy Vredenburg made motion to appoint Mayor Lindsey McGuire as Overseer of the Clerk/Treasurer, Gordon Usher seconded this motion.

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

Resolution 202104-3 to appoint Jen Postula as authorized agent for the Sault Tribe 2% grant funding was next on the agenda. Ron LaMere made the motion to approve this resolution, Gordon Usher seconded this motion.

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

Jen presented the MERS Defined Benefit Agreement Amendment for approval; this will retroactively amend the Service Credit Qualification for the cleaning staff to align with the Village past practice of offering MERS to all part time and full time employees, excepting seasonal. A motion was made by Jeremy Vredenburg and supported by Ron LaMere to approve the MERS Agreement amendment.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Abstain-Tim Loehr Motion Carried

Jen presented the MERS Defined Benefit Agreement Addendum for approval; this will update the Service Credit Qualification to eight hours for the staff to align with the Village past practice of offering MERS to

all part time and full time employees, excepting seasonal. A motion was made by Ron LaMere and supported by Gordon Usher to approve the MERS Agreement addendum.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-6 No-0 Abstain-Tim Loehr Motion Carried

Fire Department: No new business.

Parks and Recreation: Dianne Karsh has volunteered as the Treasurer for the Botanical Gardens, with Mary Hayes taking on the Secretary position. Ron LaMere made a motion to replace Kris Kelly with Dianne Karsh on the Botanical Gardens accounts. Gordon Usher seconded this motion.

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

Resolution 20210104-2 was presented-this will officially accept the DNR Grant funds for the Veterans Park Project. Josh Adams motioned to approve this resolution, Jeremy Vredenburg supported.

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

Planning Commission: Following the third reading of the 20201207-1 Resolution to rezone a portion of the block as follows: Dawson Subdivision, block 19, lots 2-6 from R1 to Village Core, the council reviewed the situation, offered time for public opposition, and then approved the resolution. Jeremy Vredenburg made the motion to approve, supported by Ron LaMere.

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

Following the third reading of the 20201207-2 Resolution to vacate the following alley in Dawson Subdivision, block 19, the council reviewed the situation, offered time for public opposition, and then approved the resolution. Jeremy Vredenburg made the motion to approve, supported by Tim Loehr.

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

Public Works: No new business.

Water and Sewer: Both potential applicants have withdrawn their applications, so council directed the clerk to keep the application search open.

Zoning: No new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Chippewa County Building Inspector update: Jen read the email response received from Frank Sims, Building Inspector. He sent a certified letter to the owner and the owner advised that he is working on getting the wall demolished.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment.

Next meeting has been scheduled for 6:00 PM for February 1, 2021.
Motion made by Josh Adams to adjourn meeting at 6:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Jen Postula, Clerk/Treasurer

Village of De Tour