

**DE TOUR VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 6, 2017**

The regular meeting of the De Tour village Council was held Monday, March 6, 2017 at 5:00pm in the De Tour Village Memorial Hall. Board Members present were Josh Adams, Susie Baker, Murray Fountain, Joe Hudak, Dane Kuusinen, Marilyn McGuire, Fred Payment, and Jeremy Vredenburg. Absent member Jen Postula. Jeff Galarowic, Marc Nelson and Bob Trudo were in attendance.

A motion was made by Josh Adams and supported by Susie Baker to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 6, 2017.

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

Councilman Hudak questioned the need for Fire Boat Saving Account as the boat was disbanded. Council will speak with Chef Lanning.

A motion was made by Joe Hudak and supported by Fred Payment to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of March as presented.

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

On a motion made by Susie Baker and supported by Fred Payment, the bills for March were approved for payment.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ambulance – no new business.

Beautification – will be eliminated and added to Parks and Recreation report. No new business.

Economic Development – no new business.

Finance – no new business.

Fire Department – no new business.

Parks and Recreation – A meeting was held on February 23rd to gather information and brain storm for future goals and projects. A meeting is planned for March to organize and go forward with plans, beautification of Village and Township, looking at possible grant opportunities. Also, seeking Chairperson(s) to oversee festivals. Susie Baker will bring updates to the April Council meeting.

Planning Commission – The Village Zoning and Zoning Boards such as the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Zoning Administrator need restructuring and updated to be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance. Direction is needed to accomplish. Dane Kuusinen will research. Bob Trudo will assist Council with these issues.

Streets – No new business.

Public Works – DPW Director Bob Trudo reported maintenance issues with Peterbilt that need to be addressed such as oil leaks etc. Maintenance will be completed as soon as possible.

Water and Sewer – Bob Trudo and Jeff Galarowic met with a representative of USDA Rural Water for a complete study and recommendations for positive cash flow. When the study is complete, Bob will meet with the Wastewater Committee along with informing Council at a regular monthly meeting. Lighthouse is working on equipment for internet service. Jeff Galarowic reported he will be on vacation March 22nd and return to work April 3rd.

Zoning – no new business.

OLD BUSINESS

Agreement with Sunrise Communication Cable Television System Franchise will expire March 11, 2018. Susie Baker and Bob Trudo discussed the franchise agreement between the Village of De Tour and Sunrise Communication LLC and assessed the condition of tower/station building and the few boxes located on streets. Both Susie and Bob feel it is in the best interest of the Village to terminate the agreement as soon as possible to prevent this agreement from automatically renewing if Village has no communication prior to March 11, 2018 with Sunrise Communication LLC. Clerk was asked to contact attorney to write a letter of termination.

A motion was made by Dane Kuusinen and supported by Joe Hudak to have the Village Attorney write a letter of termination effective immediately.

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

Susie Baker, Joe Hudak and Marilyn McGuire attended the Chippewa County Road Commission Transportation Improvement Plan meeting held on March 3, 2017 at CCRC in Sault Ste. Marie. The Village is eligible to receive federal and state aid and should attend the yearly meetings and formally submit the Rural Task Force Data Sheet Road Project to be eligible for aid. At this time, the Village is not on the project list. Presented to council for project list was North Caribou Lake Road from Village limits through Ontario Street ending at Ontario and Elizabeth approximately 2 miles. The Village will need to consult with an engineer. Council needs to approve the project to complete the work needed.

On a motion made by Susie Baker and supported by Josh Adams, the Village will approve going forward with road projects.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Marilyn McGuire as authorized agent for 2% funding and Bob Trudo as project supervisor.

On a motion made Joe Hudak and supported by Susie Baker, to approve Marilyn McGuire as the authorized agent for submitting the spring and fall 2% funding application to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

There being no further business to come before the Village Council on a motion made by Joe Hudak the meeting adjourned at 5:46pm. The next scheduled meeting is April 3, 2017 at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn McGuire, Clerk
Village of De Tour