## MINUTES OF DIMONDALE VILLAGE COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821 November 9, 2023 Denis S. Prisk Jr. Clerk

7:01 p.m. President Reznick called the Public Hearing to order and explained the purpose was to take comments on the intended purchase of the properties of the First Presbyterian Church of Dimondale. He further explained that each person would be limited to a five-minute comment period and announced the handouts of a Fact Sheet. He discussed the Property Feasibility work on the project in general.

Tardino read the fact sheet aloud. Reznick opened the comment portion of the meeting.

- Roger Rich, Village resident, spoke of his recommendation of purchase price
- Carol Clark, Village resident, spoke in support with questions on lease and feasibility without the lease.
- Debbie Viele, Village resident, spoke in support with questions on current building disposition.
- Time Sabourn, spoke in support with questions on use of grant dollars and limitations, impact on budget, and if other property could be purchased. He later spoke on use as a Senior Center.
- Linda Reznick, Village resident, spoke in full support with questions on current users' charges for future use. She asked who would run the facility.
- Sally Harrison, Village resident, asked for clarification on use of the manse.
  She later asked about Manse roof, and consideration of security needs.
- Olivia Barajas, Village resident, spoke in support with questions on use of vacant lot for farmers market and other uses.
- Gloria Sabourn, stated there are lots of reasons to want the properties, what were our concerns about buying the property. She later spoke in support of community gatherings, ie. Euchre, and the need for more community space.
- Jeanette Hall, spoke in support with questions on whether repair costs were included in the offer. Asked if church functions would be allowed to continue, ie. Funeral luncheons. She later asked about uses of manse or plans.
- Charlie Harrison, Village resident, spoke in support with questions on other grant funds availability for repair costs, and if Dentist office would be allowed continued use as parking. He later asked who would maintain bells.
- Lynda Meade, spoke in support with mentions of great momentum in the village and more opportunity for community involvement.

- Jill Bowen, Village resident spoke in favor with mentions on more community input, hosting opportunities, visitor use, and expansion on current uses of the building.
- Bob Sheap, asked for the purchase price and budgeting methodology.
- Jesus Barajas spoke in support with questions about any uses being discontinued and on process of how to rent/reserve space.
- Gloria Reiffer spoke in support with suggestions on Senior Center need in area.

With no additional comments, Reznick closed the Public Hearing at 7:37 p.m.