# MINUTES OF DIMONDALE VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING 136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821

August 14, 2023 Denis S. Prisk Jr., Clerk

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order by President Reznick.

Trustee Haidamous led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Bowen, Campbell, Conarton, Haidamous, Reznick, Tardino

Absent: Bower

Also Present: Denis Prisk, Village Manager; Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

## Approval of Agenda

Reznick proposed the following agenda amendments: Under Recommendations and Reports, reports on the August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> meetings of the Property Feasibility Committee and a recommendation from the August 7<sup>th</sup> Property Feasibility Committee under New Business. Motion by Campbell, second Haidamous, to approve the August 14, 2023 agenda as amended. Motion carried.

#### **Minutes**

Motion by Campbell, second Bowen, to approve the July 10, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

## Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was filed with no corrections.

#### **Bills**

The bills were reviewed. Motion by Bowen, second Haidamous, to approve payment of \$88,221.12 in the General Fund, \$69,914.64 in the Major Street Fund, \$141.52 in the Local Street Fund and \$430.05 in the Farmers' Market Fund for August 14, 2023 bills and transfers. Motion carried.

## Open to the Public

Assistant Fire Chief Bill Fabijancic Jr., WTES, provided a report for July 2023.

Beth Shaw spoke about recent issues with the Village Office.

Kern Slucter spoke about building permits.

Denis Prisk spoke about recent issues with Mr. and Mrs. Shaw.

# Recommendations/Reports from Council Committees and Village Officers

- 1. Reznick provided a report.
- 2. Prisk provided a report.
- 3. Tardino reported on the August 3rd and 7th Property Feasibility Committee meetings.

## **Unfinished Business**

1. No unfinished business was presented.

### **New Business**

- 1. Reznick presented a special event application from the Arts Commission to hold Storyteller Fish Tales in Danford Island Park on September 21, 2023 from 6-8 p.m. Motion by Campbell, second Bowen, to approve the application. Motion carried.
- 2. Reznick introduced the resolution to amend the REU table for restaurants and bars. Discussion followed regarding need for clarification on inclusion of patio square footage and more communication up front with Council and businesses. Motion by Bowen, second Campbell, to table the resolution pending further review by the Sewer Board. Motion carried.
- 3. Prisk presented a quote from Hardy Builders for \$64,650 to construct ADA compliant sidewalks on Danford Island for the gazebo project noting that a grant has been submitted to Eaton County to cover the cost. Motion by Campbell, second Tardino, to accept the bid contingent upon receipt of the grant. Motion carried.
- 4. Tardino presented the recommendation from the Property Feasibility Committee to authorize the Village Manager to retain a building inspector and commercial real estate broker, from outside the Village and independent of the Village, to navigate the research related to possible acquisition of the First Presbyterian Church properties. Discussion followed regarding process and cost. Motion by

Tardino, second Bowen, to authorize the Village Manager to hire an inspector and commercial real estate broker from out of the Dimondale area to represent and assist the Village during the fact-finding portion of the property acquisition process. Motion carried.

# Open to the Public

No comments were received.

# Announcements, Communications, Meeting Schedule

- 1. Prisk announced that the 457 deferred compensation accounts will be transferred to MERS.
- 2. Committee meetings scheduled: Property Feasibility, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.; Public Works, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. and Recreation, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Campbell, second Tardino, to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:33 p.m.

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