

MINUTES OF DIMONDALE VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821

November 13, 2023

Denis S. Prisk Jr., Clerk

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

Trustee Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Bower, second Campbell, to approve the November 13, 2023 agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

Haidamous requested a correction to the October 9, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes to correct the comment from Bob Sheap "questioned the dollar limit the Village Manager is authorized to approve for emergency spending". Motion by Bowen, second Bower, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, second Tardino, to approve the November 6, 2023 Special Meeting minutes. Motion carried. Motion by Campbell, second Bowen, to approve the November 9, 2023 Public Hearing minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was filed with no corrections.

Bills

The bills were reviewed. Motion by Bower, second Tardino, to approve payment of \$225,318.27 in the General Fund, \$864.99 in the Major Street Fund, and \$576.05 in the Farmers' Market Fund for November 13, 2023 bills and transfers. Motion carried.

Open to the Public

Deputy Holliday, ECSD, provided a report for October 2023.

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

Denise Parisian provided an update on the 2024 car show.

Roger Rich spoke about the car show.

Pam Austin spoke about drainage issues at Bridge and Jefferson Streets, addition of curb and gutter, and street deterioration. She also spoke about the need for additional parking on the south side of the river.

Recommendations/Reports from Council Committees and Village Officers

1. Reznick spoke about recent events within the organization and improved communication.
2. Prisk provided written report.
3. Tardino reported on the October 16th and 24th Property Feasibility Committee meetings.
4. Tardino reported on the October 26, 2023 Management Committee meeting.
5. Campbell reported on the October 30, 2023 Recreation Committee meeting.

Unfinished Business

1. No unfinished business was presented.

New Business

1. Reznick presented a resolution to vacate a portion of Oak Street that is currently part of the Dimondale Elementary School parking lot. Motion by Campbell, second Bower, to adopt the resolution as presented. Motion carried (copy attached.)
2. Reznick introduced the MML renewal and questioned participation in the legal defense fund. Motion by Campbell, second Tardino, to renew the MML membership without support of the legal defense fund. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Cambell, second Bower, to support the recommendation from the Recreation Committee to hold the Holiday Light Pole contest again this year. Motion carried.
4. The Arts Commission ordinance review was assigned to the Administration Committee.

5. Motion by Campbell, second Tardino, to table the Arts Commission policy until more information has been obtained. Motion carried.

6. Reznick accepted the following open to the public comments before moving to closed session: Roger Rich spoke about problems with downtown parking and new parking studies with a change of use. Pam Austin spoke about lack of parking on the south side of the river and poor condition of the road at the intersection of Bridge and Jefferson Streets.

7. At 7:44 p.m. a motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Tardino, to go into closed session under section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act, to consider the purchase or lease of real property. Roll Call Vote: Yes: Bowen, Bower, Campbell, Conarton, Haidamous, Reznick, Tardino; No: none; Absent: none. Motion carried. The regular meeting was reopened at 8:43 p.m.

Open to the Public

No comments were received.

Announcements, Communications, Meeting Schedule

1. No announcements or meetings were scheduled.

Motion by Bowen, second Campbell, to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:43 p.m.

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