

MINUTES OF DIMONDALE VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821
November 11, 2024
Danielle Tiedeman, Clerk

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order by President Reznick
Trustee Bower led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Bowen, Bower, Campbell, Conarton, Haidamous, Reznick, Tardino
Absent: none

Also Present: Danielle Tiedeman, Village Manager; Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

Approval of Agenda

Reznick requested an agenda amendment to add Property Acquisition under New Business. Motion by Bowen, second Campbell, to approve the November 11, 2024 agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Minutes

Motion by Bower, second Bowen, to approve the October 14, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The November 11, 2024 treasurer's report was filed with no corrections and the October 14, 2024 amended report was refiled.

Bills

The bills were reviewed. Motion by Campbell, second Tardino, to approve payment of \$63,911.52 in the General Fund, \$92,810.41 in the Major Street Fund and \$15.00 in the Farmers' Market Fund for November 11, 2024 bills and transfers. Motion carried.

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Bill Fabijancic, Assistant Fire Chief WTES, provided a report for October 2024.

Jacob Toomey, Eaton County Commissioner, provided a report.

Recommendations/Reports from Council Committees and Village Officers

1. Reznick provided a report.
2. Tiedeman provided a report.
3. Bower reported on the October 21, 2024 Administration Committee meeting.

Unfinished Business

1. No unfinished business was presented.

New Business

1. Reznick presented a request for a parcel split at 162 N. Bridge Street. Tiedeman stated that a review revealed the request to be compliant with Village of Dimondale Ordinances. Motion by Campbell, second Haidamous, to approve the request as presented. Motion carried.
2. Reznick presented two bids to repair the signal light at Bridge and Jefferson Streets. Tiedeman recommended going with the lower bid. Motion by Campbell, second Bowen, to accept the bid from Michigan Electrical Systems for \$5,900.00. Motion carried.
3. Reznick presented the MML Membership renewal and Legal Defense Fund option. Motion by Conarton, second Bower, to renew the membership without the legal defense fund. Motion carried.
4. Reznick introduced a recommendation from the Recreation Committee to host the Christmas Light Pole Decorating Contest. Motion by Bowen, second Campbell, to approve the recommendation. Motion carried.
5. Reznick presented a Budget Amendment Resolution. Motion by Campbell, second Bowen, to approve the resolution. Motion carried. (Copy attached.)
6. Reznick introduced the subject of the property acquisition for member consideration noting that the asking price for the bank is more than the \$750,000.00 grant from the State of Michigan and that likely money would have to be borrowed for the remainder of the purchased and any necessary renovations or perhaps space could be rented to offset costs. Discussion followed regarding meeting with other communities that have successfully started community centers, what Village leadership has envisioned for

this project, long term funding, impact on tax base and possibility of renovating the current facilities at 136 N. Bridge Street. Tiedeman will verify if the grant can be used for only updating an existing building or whether a building purchase is necessary. Members agreed by consensus to move forward with meeting with other communities to obtain information on funding.

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No comments were received.

Announcements, Communications, Meeting Schedule

1. Committee meetings scheduled: Village Council Work Session, November 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Haidamous noted that the Dimondale Elementary is participating in a fund raiser through the local gas station, Reznick stated that the Old Newsboys will be collecting on December 5th and Tardino thanked all Veterans for their service.

Motion by Campbell, second Bower, to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:52 p.m.

Danielle Tiedeman