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Village of Hesperia, Michigan  
Regular Council Meeting  
May 11, 2020  
7:30 PM

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**Call to Order:** President Farber called this Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the Village Hall. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present.

**Roll Call:** Members Present: Dan Herin, Joyce McDonald, Jackie Slocum, Jim Smith, Sara Walker, Mike Farber  
Members Absent: Mike Maynard

**Also present:** Chief Herremans

**Set/Amend the Agenda**

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to amend the agenda to remove Item d. Server and Computer equipment from the agenda  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Herin **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular council meetings held on May 20, 2019, June 10, 2019, July 8, 2019, August 12, 2019, September 9, 2019, October 14, 2019, November 11, 2019, December 10, 2019, January 13, 2020, February 10, 2020 and on March 9, 2020  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Slocum **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve the minutes of the special council meetings held on May 6, 2019, July 17, 2019, March 16, 2020 and March 26, 2020  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Walker (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve the minutes of the public hearings held on June 10, 2019, March 9, 2020 and on March 2, 2020  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by McDonald (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve invoices for the month of March 2020 in the amount of \$62,424.93  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve invoices for the month of April 2020 in the amount of \$20,808.24  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Announcements/Correspondence:** President Farber gave an update on the COVID-19 situation. Governor Whitmer's Executive Order runs through the 28<sup>th</sup> of May. Hopefully, the State of Michigan Will slowly be able to open back up after the shut down due to COVID-19. Councilperson McDonald discussed an e-mail that was sent by Jayne Biggart regarding still wanting to have a parade for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July after the Hesperia Fun Fest event was cancelled by the Hesperia Area Chamber of Commerce. Councilperson McDonald recommended that Ms. Biggart contact Scott Rumsey from the Chamber of Commerce with her request since they organize that event.

**Police Department:** President Farber asked if police hours could be increased to 5 days per week. Chief Herremans said that yes, but it may not be every week.

**DPW Report:** President Farber said that they are still pumping out at the sewer site. Brian Minor from M.R.W.A. expects the pumping to be complete near the end of May. President Farber reported that Randy Phillips, our temporary O.I.C. of our water system, will be working with Missions to get all alerts hooked up correctly. President Farber will be working with Randy Phillips on a leak on State Street. The village is planning on flushing the hydrants closer to the end of Mya. The parks are cleaned and mowing has commenced for the season. We received the results of the quarterly PFAS testing. At this time, no action is required since we are under 75 PPT.

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Smith **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to accept the Legal Committee's recommendation to obtain Parmenter Law/John Schrier as Legal Counsel for the Village of Hesperia for two years expiring in May 2022.  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Herin **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to adopt Ordinance #20-01 to regulate Medical Marihuana Facilities in the Village of Hesperia  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Farber **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to adopt changes amending Section 52-01 of the Water Ordinance to the description that William Hughes, LLC recommended and updated.  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Herin **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to ratify the actions of President Farber from May 2019 to March 2020 due to the absence of a quorum of council. This includes repairs made to the sewer site to bring it up to proper working condition, authorizing repairs to the generator at the lift stations, authorizing invoices to be paid in the amount of \$321,333.27 from May 2019 to February 2020, and any and all other actions taken by President Farber in his capacity as Village President  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker  
Nays:  
Abstain: Farber  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Slocum

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to accept the committee appointments as presented. (see below)

ALL IN FAVOR

Absent: Mike Maynard

**COMMITTEES**

**AMBULANCE**

Mike Maynard - Chairperson

Jim Smith

**BUILDING & GROUNDS (Village Hall/DPW)**

Jim Smith – Chairperson

Dan Herin

**DAMS, PARKS, CIVIC & RECREATION**

Sara Walker - Chairperson

Jackie Slocum

**FINANCE, BUDGET & INSURANCE**

Joyce McDonald – Chairperson

Jackie Slocum

**LEGAL**

Sara Walker – Chairperson

Joyce McDonald

**MARIHUANA**

Joyce McDonald - Chairperson

Dan Herin

**ORDINANCE**

Joyce McDonald – Chairperson

Sara Walker

**PERSONNEL & SALARY**

Joyce McDonald – Chairperson

Jackie Slocum

**STREETS, SIDEWALKS, EQUIPMENT & LIGHTING**

Jim Smith – Chairperson

Dan Herin

**TECHNOLOGY & WEBSITE**

Jackie Slocum - Chairperson

Sara Walker

**WATER & SEWER**

Jim Smith - Chairperson

Dan Herin

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to appoint Vicki Burrell as Village Clerk for a two year term ending April 2022 with a wage of \$19.25 per hour

Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber

Nays:

Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Herin **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to appoint Peggy Miller as Village Treasurer for a two year term ending April 2022 with a wage of \$16.25 per hour  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by McDonald **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion accept Resolution #2020-03 to place a moratorium on the sale and public consumption of recreational marihuana in the Village of Hesperia for a period of 1 year  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Farber **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion accept Resolution #2020-04 to apply for a parade permit from the Michigan Department of Transportation  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Walker **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion accept Resolution #2020-05 allowing Consumers Energy to update street lights to LED fixtures  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion accept Resolution #2020-06 to appoint Mike Farber as Streets Administrator  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker  
Nays:  
Abstain: Farber  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Walker **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to remove Carol Kochans as signatory from the Village of Hesperia checking account ending in 0239 effective May 2019  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Slocum **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to add Sara Walker as signatory for the Village of Hesperia checking account ending in 0239  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Farber  
Nays:  
Abstain: Walker  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Walker **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to decline participation in the Newaygo County Hazard Management Plan  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Smith **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to hire Andrew Polasek as a full time police officer; wage to be discussed at upcoming personnel committee meeting. Wages will be retroactive to May 11, 2020  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Walker **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to continue employing Randy Phillips as Operator In Charge of our water system  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Herin **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to continue to contract Brian Minor from Michigan Rural Water Association as Operator in Charge of our sewer system  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Herin **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to hire Brad Smith as a seasonal employee; wage to be discussed at upcoming personnel committee meeting.  
Yeas: Herin, Slocum, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Abstain: McDonald, Smith  
Absent: Mike Maynard

**Motion** by Herin **Seconded** by Smith **(motion CARRIED)**  
Motion to adjourn  
Yeas: Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Walker, Farber  
Nays:  
Absent: Mike Maynard  
Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki R. Burrell  
Hesperia Village Clerk

Meeting minutes taken by Joyce McDonald, prepared by Clerk Burrell

**“Village of Hesperia is an equal opportunity provider and employer”**