
Village of Hesperia, Michigan
Regular Council Meeting
December 14, 2020
7:30 PM

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: Clerk Burrell, Chief Herremans, Mike Stanaway, Will Zuwerinik, Sheri Hunt, Kevin Hunt

Set the Agenda:

Motion by Slocum **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)
Motion to set the agenda as presented
ALL IN FAVOR
Absent: Maynard

Brief Public Comment on Agenda Items only:

Motion by Walker **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)
Motion to approve the minutes of regular council meeting held on November 9, 2020
ALL IN FAVOR
Absent: Maynard

Motion by McDonald **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)
Motion to approve payment of invoices for the month of November in the amount of \$46,922.97
ALL IN FAVOR
Absent: Maynard

Announcements/Correspondence: President Farber introduced Will Zuwerinik from NC RESA to speak about using the tower behind the village hall for a micro site for NCATS. He explained that the demand for service has increased 80% since March. Jackie asked what the orange dots on the map were for. Will explained those were existing customers. She also asked what the orange outlined area represented and Will stated that it would be the new coverage area of the micro site. President Farber said that the village would like a one year contract that can be renewed each year. He spoke about making the changes that our legal counsel suggests and said that 90% of the issues are word changes. Will asked if it would help if he put a clause in the lease that states that we can cancel at any time. Yes, that would be helpful. McDonald stated that if it goes well the first year, then maybe they could renew for possibly two years. Walker stated that the village would like a year to year contract. She suggested that he make the changes to the lease, send it back to us, we would send it to our legal counsel to review and then NC RESA could re-present it to the council.

Committee Reports:

Ambulance:

Buildings and Grounds: Smith talked about the garage doors quotes for 171 N. Elm. He would like to recommend using Pure Michigan Garage Door out of White Cloud.

Dams, Parks, Civic & Recreation:

Finance, Budget & Insurance:

Grants, Fund Raising, Chamber-Interact:

Marihuana:

Ordinance:

Personnel:

Streets and Sidewalks:

Technology: Slocum said that her report was discussed under Correspondence for NCATS

Police and Zoning: Chief Herremans reported that the number of complaints and arrests doubled over the last month. There were 77 complaints, 158 traffic contacts, 3 traffic accidents and 16 arrests. He said that there were 3 ordinance investigations/warnings. He reported that Officer Vanderwall participated with Shop with a Cop on December 10, 2020 in Fremont. The zoning question regarding 309 S. Division would be addressed at a hearing in January before the regular council meeting. He has 13 ongoing cases that will be ready to receive citations in 2021 if the resident does not comply. This will give the homeowner/landowner amply time to take care of the violation prior to issuing a citation. Chief Herremans presented a letter from a financial advisor, Peter Chadwick about possibly providing investment strategies for the employees of the Village of Hesperia. Mr. Chadwick would be willing to address the council if they so wished.

DPW Report: D.P.W. Director, Mike Stanaway gave the pumpage report and sampling reports for November. He reported that they had discontinued the use of Well # 3 due to the State of Michigan higher restrictions on PFOA. The well is pumping 10,000 gallons per month to help prevent it from going stagnant. He talked about submitting the village's name into the class action suit that the National Rural Water Association was compiling against the makers of PFOA and PFOS. The cost recovery could possibly help us with the cost of installing a new well or filtration plant. He said that the springs have been replaced on the dump truck and that the salt box is now working. They replaced Pump #2 at the sewer lift station and the old one was sent to Kennedy for an estimate to repair it. The DPW has boarded up the broken windows at the old county building. Our seasonal employee has returned for approximately four weeks. He is going to have him focus on cleaning and painting the inside of the well houses and restrooms.

Motion by Farber Seconded by Herin

Motion to accept three proposals submitted by Kevin Roberson & Sons to repair sidewalks in the spring of 2021 in the total amount of \$8,800 that will be in the new FY 2021/2022 budget.

Discussion: Walker asked if this locked us in any way to them. Herin explained that there is no financial obligation. He wanted us to get on their schedule for spring. Herin said that if it was not in the budget, he would let them know. Herin stated that he reached out to another local vendor and he did not respond to his request for a quote. President Farber stated that the repairs would help us fulfill our obligation to spending state funds on non motorized areas of the village.

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

Nays:

Absent: Maynard

Motion by Walker **Seconded** by Slocum
Motion to adopt Robert’s Rules of Order
ALL IN FAVOR
Absent: Maynard

(motion CARRIED)

Motion by Walker **Seconded** by Herin
Motion to approve Committee Assignments as presented
ALL IN FAVOR
Absent: Maynard

(motion CARRIED)

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

GRANTS, FUNDRAISING & CHAMBER INTER - ACT

Jackie Slocum – Chairperson
Sara Walker

LEGAL

Sara Walker – Chairperson
Joyce McDonald

MARIHUANA

Mike Farber – Chairperson
Joyce McDonald
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 Farber **Seconded** by Slocum
Motion to appoint Joyce McDonald as Pro Tem
ALL IN FAVOR
Abstain: McDonald
Absent: Maynard

(motion CARRIED)

Motion by Farber **Seconded** by Herin

(motion CARRIED)

Motion to accept the proposal from Pure Michigan Garage Door for two overhead doors at 171 N. Elm in the amount of \$10,000.00

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

Nays:

Absent: Maynard

Public Comment:

Miscellaneous: McDonald wished everyone a Merry Christmas and wanted to thank the everyone for their dedication and hard work that helped the village get through this difficult year. Everyone has done a fine job. President Farber seconded her statement. President Farber mentioned that he would like to start the proceedings to remove Mike Maynard as a village trustee under Ordinance number 30-30 Vacancies in Office.

Motion by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum

(motion CARRIED)

Motion to adjourn

ALL IN FAVOR

Absent: Maynard

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki R. Burrell

Hesperia Village Clerk