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Village of Hesperia, Michigan  
Regular Council Meeting  
December 12, 2022  
7:30 PM

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**Call to Order:** President Mike 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: Don Bostrom, Stephanie Halverson, Dan Herin, Joyce McDonald, Jackie Slocum, Jim Smith, Mike Farber

**Also present:** Clerk Burrell, Steve Micklin, Nancy Conley, Hugh Conley, Mark Kraus, Kyle Holland, Ron Oh, Terry Beardsley Jr., Scott Gardner and others not listed.

President Farber introduced new council trustee, Don Bostrom and welcomed him to the council.

**Set the Agenda:**

**Motion** by Slocum **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to accept the agenda as presented.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Brief Public Comment on Agenda Items only:**

**Motion** by Herin **Seconded** by McDonald (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 14, 2022.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to accept the minutes of the Work Session held on November 28, 2022 with the changes of removing Joyce McDonald and Jim Smith from the roll call.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Smith (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve payment of invoices for November 2022 in the amount of \$33,464.96.

**Announcements/Correspondence:** President Farber introduced Mark Kraus from the Hesperia Area Chamber of Commerce. Mark Kraus spoke briefly about the Newaygo County Tourism Council and promoting Newaygo County as a tourism destination His position on the council is to represent the Hesperia Area Chamber of Commerce and to make sure that Hesperia is represented. He discussed some of the maps that were created including a fall color tour map, a map of the White River, a flyer for spring activities and a map for shopping and eating in Newaygo County. He stated that the tourism council is working on creating one for Hesperia. He asked for an annual investment from the Village of Hesperia to help the tourism council to promote Hesperia as a destination for tourism.

**Committee Reports:**

- A.R.P.A.
- Buildings, Grounds & Equipment:**
- Finance & Personnel (Legal & Insurance):**
- Marihuana:**
- Ordinance:**

**Parks:**

**Streets, Sidewalks & Dam:**

**Technology & Grants:** Halverson reported that she is working on the SPARK Grant from the DNR with Jackie Slocum from the Parks committee. Halverson stated that they were going to focus on the dam area and that we have gotten past the first page of the grant application. Slocum stated that there were three rounds for the Spark grant and that we would continue to apply until we got the grant.

**Water & Sewer:**

**Zoning Administrator Report:**

Steve Micklin gave the Zoning Administrator report. He reported that he is continuing to work on some problem addresses and has sent some letters out. He contacted a company to order some updated ordinance violation books. He reported that there had been some progress with an address on Cook Street and he was sending out an agreement outlining that the residence needed to be cleaned up by May 15, 2023.

**Motion** by Farber **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)

Motion to make an annual payment to the Newaygo County Tourism Council for strengthening the regional economic foundation in the amount of \$500.00

ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by Herin **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)

Motion to adopt Ordinance #22-01 Adult Use Marihuana Zoning Ordinance

Yeas: Bostrom, Halverson, Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Farber

Nays:

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)

Motion to adopt Ordinance #22-02 Adult Use Marihuana Licensing Ordinance

Yeas: Bostrom, Halverson, Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Farber

Nays:

**Motion** by Slocum **Seconded** by Halverson (motion CARRIED)

Motion to accept the bid from American Classic Dumpster for the village

Discussion: Slocum explained that they went over the bids in a committee meeting and put the bids in order. She said that American Classic Dumpster had the lowest rate and offered free additional items that the other companies did not. McDonald inquired about the additional disposal for mattresses, etc. Landfills are now charging for bulk items and the fee will be passed along to the customer. Herin asked if all residents had to use American Classic Dumpster. Farber stated that they would be the exclusive hauler and he encouraged all residents to use them. The rates would be \$51.00 per quarter and there was a 5% discount if paid a year in advance. McDonald said that the new services would start on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Yeas: Bostrom, Halverson, Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Farber

Nays:

**Motion** by Halverson **Seconded** by Herin (motion CARRIED)

Motion to adopt Resolution #2022-17 to apply for a Department of Natural Resources SPARK Grant

Yeas: Bostrom, Halverson, Herin, McDonald, Slocum, Smith, Farber

Nays:

**Motion** by Slocum **Seconded** by McDonald (motion CARRIED)

Motion to accept the Committee assignments as proposed. See Below.

ALL IN FAVOR

COMMITTEES

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

Jackie Slocum – Chairperson  
Don Bostrom

BUILDING, GROUNDS & EQUIPMENT

Dan Herin – Chairperson  
Jim Smith

FINANCE & PERSONNEL (LEGAL & INSURANCE)

Joyce McDonald – Chairperson  
Jackie Slocum

MARIHUANA

Mike Farber - Chairperson  
Joyce McDonald  
Dan Herin

ORDINANCE

Stephanie Halverson – Chairperson  
Don Bostrom

PARKS

Jackie Slocum - Chairperson  
Stephanie Halverson

STREETS, SIDEWALKS & DAM

Jim Smith – Chairperson  
Dan Herin

TECHNOLOGY & GRANTS

Stephanie Halverson – Chairperson  
Don Bostrom

WATER & SEWER

Jim Smith - Chairperson  
Jackie Slocum

Pro Tem Joyce McDonald  
Finance Signature: Treasurer, Clerk, Finance Chair

**Public Comments:** NONE

**Miscellaneous:** Farber stated that the 2023 council meeting dates will be posted on the memo boards, website and in the Oceana Herald Journal. Halverson brought up the bright light on the new flag pole and was wondering if it could be adjusted. Herin said that he would speak to Scott Rumsey to have it adjusted. McDonald announced that the village offices would be closed on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and on Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and closed on Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup> and on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> for New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day.

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum **(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to adjourn  
ALL IN FAVOR  
Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki R. Burrell  
Hesperia Village Clerk

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