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Village of Hesperia, Michigan  
Regular Council Meeting  
May 12, 2025  
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, Sheri Hunt, Joyce McDonald, Jennifer Nearanz, Jackie Slocum, Mike Farber

**Also present:** Clerk Burrell, Joann Borgman, Steve Micklin, Todd Hren, Jane Bostrom, David Casey, Jack VanGessel, Tim Beebe and Terry Beardsley Jr.

**Amend the Agenda:**

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Bostrom (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to amend the agenda to include item d. 2025 millage rate  
ALL IN FAVOR

Brief Public Comment on Agenda Items only:

**Motion** by Slocum **Seconded** by McDonald (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 14, 2025.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by Bostrom **Seconded** by Halverson (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to accept the minutes of the Work Session held on April 28, 2025.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve payment of invoices for April 2025 in the amount of \$111,854.59.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve payment of invoices for the D.W.S.R.F. project in the amount of \$236,377.49.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion** by McDonald **Seconded** by Slocum (motion CARRIED)  
Motion to approve payment of invoices for the C.W.S.R.F. project in the amount of \$111,577.41.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Announcements/Correspondence:**

President Farber stated that a water meeting had been held with Fleis & VandenBrink and the construction contractors. Gave an update on the water filtration plant and the water project. He said that there will be a special meeting held on May 21, 2025 to discuss a new water grant from MEDC.

**Committee Reports:**

**A.R.P.A.:**

**Buildings, Grounds & Equipment:**

**Finance & Personnel (Legal & Insurance):** McDonald reported that a meeting had been held on April 21, 2025 and had a review with the Zoning Administrator. A meeting was held on April 25, 2025 with the DPW to discuss hours, team expectations and job duties. A meeting was held on May 8, 2025 to review and approve monthly invoices.

**Ordinance:**

**Parks:** Slocum reported that she met with Alpine Tree service and is waiting to meet with two other companies for removal of the dead trees in the parks. Halverson also reported that there had been some vandalism at the dog park and Weaver pavilion and she is working with the police. Additional cameras were discussed and she said she would talk to her camera contact.

**Technology & Grants:** Halverson reported that Jennifer Nearanz was in the process of updating the zoning map. They will meet with Steve Micklin to make sure the areas are zoned properly.

**Streets, Sidewalks & Dam:** Farber

**Zoning Administrator Report:**

Steve Micklin reported that he is receiving calls from people who are interested in moving to Hesperia. He said that a new home is being built in the South Branch subdivision. Micklin stated that the house on Cook Street was reverting back to having ordinance violations. He said the court order can still be enforced. There was a court hearing on April 22, 2025 for the property on Division. The property owner did not appear and another citation can be issued. Himself and President Farber will visit the site and assess how to move forward with it. Micklin stated that he would be issuing a citation for 171 S. State. He said he would start sending letters out to property owners that were not mowing their grass.

**DPW Supervisor Report:**

Todd Hren reported that the water samples were taken for all of the wells and the water tower was back online. He stated that the contractors for the water line replacement were starting to catch up and will be back on schedule. He stated that the bathrooms had been repaired are open for the season. He also stated that they were discharging at the WWTF.

**Motion by McDonald Seconded by Slocum**

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to approve the special use permit for River Rock Campground, LLC for parcel #'s 041-025-400-44 & 041-025-400-16 with the condition of the approval of the split and combination by the Newfield Township Assessor.

Discussion: Slocum asked if the split combination had been approved. Steve Micklin stated no, but the assessor would be in the office on Wednesday.

Yeas: Bostrom, Halverson, Hunt, McDonald, Nearanz, Slocum, Farber

Nays:

**Motion by McDonald Seconded by Slocum**

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to increase the Zoning Administrator's wage \$625.00 per year.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion by McDonald Seconded by Nearanz**

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to have the village Treasurer place the delinquent water/sewer bills on the 2025 property taxes.  
ALL IN FAVOR

**Motion by McDonald Seconded by Farber**

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to adopt the 2025 millage rate of 13.1376

Yeas: Bostrom, Halverson, Hunt, McDonald, Farber

Nays: Slocum, Nearanz

**Public Comments:**

Jane Bostrom asked if a yield sign could be put on Winter Street near the apartments. Terry Beardsley Jr. made comments regarding the village council.

**Miscellaneous:**

Joyce McDonald asked for the council room lights to be changed. She also commented that the exit signs need repaired. Stephaine Halverson reported that she was working with a detective on the vandalism in Weaver Park. She also commented that there were some solicitors going around town stating that they were DTE Energy. President Farber said there is a homeless person in the parks and asked for signs to be ordered stating the parks are closed from sunset to sunrise.

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

**(motion CARRIED)**

Motion to adjourn

ALL IN FAVOR

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki R. Burrell  
Hesperia Village Clerk