

**The Village of Lexington Council held a Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday, January 10, 2017 in the conference room of the Lexington Community Center 6964 Huron Avenue, Lexington, MI 48450.**

**Committee of the Whole Meeting Called to order** at 7:05 p.m. by President Kaatz

**Roll call taken by** Clerk, Beth Grohman.

**Present:** Adams, Ehardt, Beardslee, Schultz, Fulton, Dickinson, Kaatz

**Absent:** None

**Others present:** Beth Grohman, Sean Adams, Micky Bender, Kevin Jimkoski, and two citizens

**Public comment:**

Sean Adams – Gave a brief summary on the hiring of interim Police Chief, Neal Rossow.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** –Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Beardslee, to approve the agenda as presented.

Discussion – Add Cemetery Board Ordinance Explanation

Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Schultz, to amend the previous to amend the agenda, adding F1 Cemetery Ordinance Change Explanation.

All Ayes

Motion carried

## **BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATION**

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion by Schultz, seconded by Ehardt, to approve the minutes from December 13, 2016 as presented

All Ayes

Motion carried

**B. INVOICE – KELLY LAW FIRM** -Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Kaatz, to recommend approval to Council the payment of \$238 to Kelly Law Firm, \$182 to be paid by the General Fund 101-266-811-000 and \$56 to be paid by the MHP Fund 595-595-811-000.

Roll Call

Ayes- Ehardt, Kaatz, Adams, Beardslee, Schultz, Fulton, Dickinson

Nays- None

Motion carried

**C. INVOICE – TOUMAN, WATSON, WHALING, COURY AND STREMERs** – Motion by Beardslee, seconded by Ehardt, to recommend approval to Council the payment of \$202.50 to Touma, Watson, Whaling, Coury and Stremers, to be paid from the MHP Fund.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes-Beardslee, Ehardt, Adams, Schultz, Fulton, Dickinson, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**D. STEWART BEAUVAIS & WHIPPLE** – Motion by Schultz, seconded by Ehardt, to recommend approval to the Council the payment of \$32,225.00 to Stewart, Beauvais and Whipple for audit.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Schultz, Ehardt, Adams, Beardslee, Fulton, Dickinson, Kaatz

Nays –None

Motion carried

**E. MEETING LOCATION CHANGE** – Kaatz asked for support from the members to move the meetings back the Village Hall. The Township has a projector that they will allow the Village to use. The projector projects on a big board, the sound is better, access to the copier, internet and saving electricity. This will also save on cost of the packets.

Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Beardslee, to support the moving of the meetings to the Village Hall.

Ayes 6 Nays 1

Motion carried

**F. PARKS AND RECREATION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS** – Motion by Dickinson, seconded by Beardslee, to recommend approval to Council the amendments to the Parks and Recreation Ordinance.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes – Dickinson, Beardslee, Adams, Ehardt, Schultz, Fulton, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

**F1. CEMETERY BOARD ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS** – Kaatz explained that the Cemetery Board Membership is governed by a state statute, so at this time the ordinance will remain as is.

**G. USDA GRANT FOR BACKHOE** – Sean discussed the purchase and the grant for a new backhoe. Kaatz recommended a maintenance schedule for the equipment. Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Beardslee, to recommend to Council the acceptance of the USDA Grant for \$20,000 and approve the expenditure of purchasing the Michigan Cat Backhoe not to exceed \$60,000 in the budget.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes – Ehardt, Beardslee, Adams, Schultz, Fulton, Dickinson, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

**H. CIVIL WAR ENCAMPMENT** – Nancy Bankson, Committee Member via phone call explained the costs for the Civil War Encampment. Bankson explained donations from the businesses. Kaatz recommended fund raising for the event and involving DDA and Lexington Arts Council. Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Schultz, to table until Arts Council is contacted.

All Ayes

Motion carried

**FINANCIAL REPORTS** – Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Dickinson, to approve the check register for December 2016 in the amount of \$191,083.19 from check number 31590 through check number 31694 and financial reports.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Ehardt, Dickinson, Adams, Beardslee, Schultz, Fulton, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**CONTRACTOR INVOICES** – Kaatz – Thank you to Jerry on his invoice.

## **CORRESPONDENCE** –

**PUBLIC COMMENT –**

Tootie Reckinger -5203 Main Street – Lot 98 – Comments opposed to moving the meetings and not utilizing the Community Center.

**COUNCIL PERSON COMMENTS –**

**ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by Beardslee, seconded by Schultz, to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.  
p.m.  
All Ayes  
Motion carried

APPROVED