

The Village of Lexington Council held a Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday, July 11, 2017 in the council chambers of the Village Hall at 7227 Huron Avenue, Lexington, MI 48450.

Committee of the Whole Meeting Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Kaatz

Roll call taken by Clerk, Beth Grohman.

Present: Ehardt, Fulton Muoio, Schultz, Adams, Kaatz

Absent: Beardslee

Others present: Beth Grohman, Chris Heiden Micky Bender, and 8 citizens

Public comment:

Monica Cain -7228 Simons Street - Commented on nuisance, blight and inspections regarding the property at 7231 Simons Street.

William Morris -5408 Cove Court – Employed with Community Mental Health – Announcement regarding a suicide prevention program that will be held at the Lexington Community Center July 20, 2017

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA –Motion by Schultz, seconded by Fulton, to approve the agenda as presented.

All Ayes

Motion carried

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

A. INVOICE – KELLY LAW FIRM –Moved to consent agenda

B. MHP DEPOSIT REFUND – Moved to consent agenda

C. SUEZ CONTRACT- Discussion on payment schedule. Contract was reviewed by the Village Attorney and she did offer some changes. Suez did correct some errors and some changes were made. Heiden reported that Suez will not be held responsible for operational problems or structural damage due to cold weather. Board members did not agree with this clause. Kaatz requested a meeting with agent of Suez to discuss the clause. Heiden to set meeting. Recommendation to add to the Council agenda this month.

D. FIRE DEPARTMENT CHARGES – CANCEL EN ROUTE FEES – Discussion on the fees for runs that are cancelled en route. Currently no fees are charged. Review of the contract language and recommended charging for runs that are cancelled en route, once the vehicle leaves the fire hall it shall be considered a run and should be charged accordingly.

E. VILLAGE MANAGER UPDATE – Thirteen applicants received. Background checks done on eight of the applicants. Phone interviews done by Personnel Committee. Committee to meet July 18, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. for phone interviews.

F. COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE – Community Center title search incomplete. Discussion on possible sale and what method of sale to use, auction, realtor.

G. DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT – CADILLAC HOUSE –Kaatz explained the Development Agreement needed some changes, to include all entities that have vested interest in the project. This agreement is our assurance that the Village is not liable if the project is not completed.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Fulton questioned funds for Planning Commission for short term rental ordinance. Kaatz would like funds earmarked for future planning needs. Reviewed financials and moved to consent agenda.

CONTRACTOR INVOICES –

Dawson – Moved to consent agenda for approval

Kaatz reported Interim Police Chief Contract not signed at this time. His pay will be retroactive to June 8, 2017. Kaatz reported she has received positive feedback on the Police Chief. He has started several programs. Peggy and Steve Stencil donated ice cream coupons to the Police Department to give children that are playing safe in the community. Officers hand out the coupons. Thank you to the Stencels for their donation. Chief Craft volunteered at the Fireman's pancake breakfast all day. He is working very hard with the business owners and addressing issues with the businesses owners and residents.

CORRESPONDENCE – None offered

PUBLIC COMMENT – None offered

COUNCIL PERSON COMMENTS –

Muoio – Commented on the possible sale of the Community Center and the relocation of the Senior Center Lunch Program. Kaatz agreed the Village should find a replacement location for the program and funds from the sale should be earmarked to assist with relocation.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Schultz, seconded by Muoio, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

p.m.

All Ayes

Motion carried