

The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Regular Meeting Monday, October 22, 2018, in the Council Chambers at the Village Hall at 7227 Huron Avenue, Lexington, MI 48450.

Regular Council Meeting Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Kristen Kaatz

Pledge of Allegiance led by President Kristen Kaatz

Roll call taken by Clerk, Beth Grohman

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

Absent: None

Others present: Tatman, Owen, Heiden, and 14 citizens

Public comment:

Bill Sarkella – County Commissioner- Reported the storm damage at the county resulted in approximately \$70,000 which was covered by insurance. Also commented on the underfunded pension obligations.

Eric Davis –7180 Hubbard Street – Commented on the asphaltting in front parking and in front of truck bays.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Motion by Schultz, seconded by Adams to approve the agenda as amended, adding item A1. MEDC Presentation and A2. Miller Canfield Proposal.

All Ayes

Motion carried

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Beardslee, seconded by Ehardt, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of September 24, 2018 as corrected.

All Ayes

Motion carried.

A1. MEDC PRESENTATION – Chris Germain-Senior RRC Planner - Village has completed 15% of the RRC criteria and in in the process of completing another 48%. Making good progress. The Village will focus on the best practices. Documentation, such as updating master plan, customer feedback, site plans with stronger documentation and tracking. Training and Education more strategic and better documented. Identifying Priority Redevelopment Sites and package them will begin as part of master plan update. Chuck Donaldson, stated the Village is on the right track and progressing greatly. Next step, maintaining communication through quarterly updates.

A2. MILLER CANFIELD PROPOSAL- Tatman explained the refinance of the water/sewer loans must be bonds. Miller Canfield will prepare the necessary documentation at a discounted rate of \$4500 and Eastern Michigan Bank has offered the same interest rate as originally proposed for the refinance. Motion by Schultz, seconded by Adams, to accept the proposal for services with Miller Canfield for the bond issue at a cost not to exceed \$7500.

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

B. LIFT STATION LOAN PAYOFF – Kaatz explained that the previous motion from September 24, 2018 to pay of the lift station from the CD, must be paid with sewer funds, therefore the motion must be amended.

Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Kaatz to amend the previous motion from September 24, 2018, lift station loan of \$180,000 to be paid off with existing sewer funds.

Roll call

Ayes- Ehardt, Kaatz, Muoio, Beardslee, Adams, Fulton

Nays- None

Motion carried

C. PARKING LOT REPAVEMENT – HESS ASPHALT PAVING COMPANY – Tatman reported extra excavating was required and additional stone was needed to raise grades. Additional costs will be paid from the street funds. Motion by Muoio, seconded by Ehardt, to approve the additional funds for the parking lot replacement.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes – Muoio, Ehardt, Beardlsee, Adams, Fulton, Schultz, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

ENVIRONMENTAL

D. TREE INVENTORY – MHP – OWEN TREE SERVICE EVALUATION – Tatman explained the report from Owen Tree Service. Several of the trees in the MHP are silver maple which the arborist explained are not a good tree around structures. Tatman suggested some of the trimming may be handled by the DPW and the more severe trees should be addressed as soon as possible. There are 14 trees on the severe list. Tatman to bring cost to Council next month and a plan of action.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

E. CABELLA’S DONATION – FYI – Tatman reported our Police Officer Paul Heneka, also a part time employee of Cabella’s was able to obtain a donation for two rifle lasers.

F. POLICE CHIEF POSITION– Tatman announced she has selected Kenneth Stevens as the new Police Chief. Stevens is a retired officer from Clay Township and currently works part time for New Baltimore. Stevens is expected to begin working no later than December 1st. Tatman recommended holding a Meet and Greet for Council, residents and business owners to get to know our new chief.

WATER DEPARTMENT

G. CONTINUOUS CHLORINE ANALYZERS – Heiden reported due to the increases in population the Village is servicing and the volume of water, two continuous chlorine analyzers are needed. Sanilac Township and Worth Township will share in the cost. Overall cost to the Village is approximately \$5200. Motion by Ehardt, seconded by Fulton, to approve the purchase of two chlorine analyzers at a cost not to exceed \$12,500.

Discussion

Roll call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

FINANCIALS –

Motion by Schultz, seconded by Adams, to approve the check register for September 2018 in the amount of \$104,702.67 from check number 33434 through check number 33526 and financial reports.

Roll call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE – Moore Public Library

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jackie Huepenbecker – Moore Public Library –Commented on the Library reports, and assured Council they will continue to receive updates on the expansion.

Larry Tyson -5203 Main Street Lot 29 – Commented on the trees inventory in the MHP and thanked Holly and Bill Ehardt for their work on addressing the tree issues in the park.

COUNCIL PERSONS COMMENTS

Fulton – Commented on Adams not seeking reelection and thanked her years of service on the Council. She will be missed.

Kaatz – Also commented on Adams leaving. She will be missed

Schultz – Commented on Mike and Anita Ruffini coming back to take over the Civil War Encampment Event.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Adams, seconded by Fulton, to adjourn the meeting 8:00 p.m.

All Ayes

Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted
Beth Grohman, Village Clerk

APPROVED