

The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Regular Meeting Monday, April 23, 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: Muoio, Beardslee, Adams, Schultz, Kaatz

Absent: Ehardt, Fulton

Others present: Craft, Scott and three citizens

Public comment: None

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

All Ayes

Motion carried

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Schultz, to approve the consent agenda with the removal of LNS Mobile Home Park Clubhouse rent increase.

Roll Call

Ayes- Muoio, Schultz, Beardslee, Adams, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

BUSINESS

A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS – Kaatz recommended tabling for more information and clarification on the recommended amendments. Kaatz reported she had a meeting with CPA John Grousta, a Lexington Twp resident, he made some recommendations on the budget amendments. Kaatz felt the numbers presented may not be accurate and would like further clarification. Muoio voiced opposition to tabling. Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Beardslee, to table until the Committee of the Whole Meeting in May.

Roll Call

Ayes – Kaatz, Beardslee, Adams

Nays- Muoio, Schultz

Motion Carried

B. UTILITY MANAGER-RESTRUCTURING OF THE WATER/DPW – Kaatz reported the Village has been awarded the water maintenance contract with Sanilac Township, and there is now a vacancy in the DPW, therefore changes in the Water Department and DPW will need to be restructured. Recommendation that Heiden take over as Utility Manager and would oversee the Water and DPW, Bender to work 20 hours weekly for the Sanilac Township, and replacement of a DPW employee. Kaatz stated the funds from the contract would help cover the increase in wages for the Utility Manager. Proposal to be presented at the Committee of the Whole Meeting in May.

C. VILLAGE MANAGER CONTRACT– Motion by Beardslee, seconded by Adams, to approve the Village Manager contract as presented.

Discussion

Roll call

Ayes- Beardslee, Adams, Schultz, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion Carried

D. PLANNING COMMISSION BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST – Discussion on the Planning budget and allocating funds for the stipends. Currently no member of the Planning Commission request the stipends and recommend the stipend allocation be used for different budget items. Muoio recommended amending the ordinance to remove the language allowing for stipends.

Motion by Muoio, seconded by Schultz, to send to the Committee of the Whole meeting to amend the ordinance.

All Ayes

Motion carried

E. HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE TOURS REQUEST AND SAMPLE ORDINANCES – Mr. Strauchman not in attendance, recommendation to table until May Committee of Whole Meeting and request Mr. Strauchman be available. Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Schultz to table until the Committee of the Whole Meeting in May.

All Ayes

Motion carried

F. PROCLAMATION- VILLAGE PRESIDENT – Motion by Beardslee, seconded by Schultz, to approve the Proclamation recognizing Kristen Kaatz, Village President

Roll

Ayes- Beardslee, Schultz, Muoio, Adams

Nays-None

Abstain – Kaatz

Motion carried

G. CEMETERY BOARD RESIGNATION – Motion by Schultz, seconded by Adams, to accept the resignation of Dennis McClelland from the Cemetery Board.

Discussion

Thanks to Dennis McClelland for 15 years of service on the board.

All Ayes

Motion carried

H. LNS MOBILE HOME PARK CLUBHOUSE RENT INCREASE – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Beardslee, to approve the request to increase the rent and all village residents are given the discounted rate.

Discussion

Ayes – Muoio, Beardslee, Adams, Kaatz

Nays- Schultz

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE – None offered

PUBLIC COMMENT – None offered

COUNCIL PERSONS COMMENTS

Schultz – Request that council members have more than five minutes to go over item before asking for approval.

Kaatz- Fraser Building has been sold and the Village has two weeks to decide where items currently stored in the building will be moved to. Owner may be willing to work with Village on an agreement.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by, seconded by, to adjourn the meeting 7:52 p.m.

All Ayes

Motion carried

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Respectfully Submitted
Beth Grohman, Village Clerk

APPROVED