

**The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Public Hearing and a Regular Council Meeting Monday, June 28, 2021 in the Council Chambers at 7227 Huron Avenue, Lexington, MI 48450**

**Public Hearing Called to Order** at 7:03 p.m. by President Kristen Kaatz  
**To hear comments on the Proposed 2021-22 FY Budget**

**Public Comment – None**

**Closed Public Hearing**

**Call to order the Regular Council Meeting at** 7:05 p.m. by President Kristen Kaatz

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by President Kristen Kaatz

**Roll call taken by** Clerk Beth Grohman

**Present:** Klaas, Adams, Muoio, Fulton, DeCoster, Kaatz

**Absent:** – Jarosz

**Others present:** Holly Tatman, Michelle Irwin, Shelly McCoy, Mickey Bender and 17 citizens

**Public Comment –**

Jamie McCombs – Environmental Chairperson – Speaking on behalf of Jeanine Wypasek, applicant for Environment Committee

Rebecca Todd – Todd Road, Croswell- Comments on the bike path, poor shape and who is paying.

Liz Jackson – Lexington Arts Council – Commented on the first music in the park and thanked the office staff and DPW for their help.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion by Klaas, seconded by Fulton, to approve the agenda as amended, Addition of J1, Short Term Rental Resolution, A1 Bill Sarkella , County Commissioner, Presentation and C1 Council Stipend to Parks and Recreation.

All ayes

Motion carried

## **BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATION**

**A1. BILL SARKELLA, COUNTY COMMISSIONER -** Resolution regarding mental health passed by the commission, movement to make private and want to make public so it was opposed by resolution. Introduced self funded health plan at the county level, should save significant dollars. Staffing level changes, prosecutors office, hired veterans driver to get veterans to appointments, reclassification of parks position. Hired an IT specialist. Village ARP funds, cities and townships received funding, villages did not, funds are there, state is waiting for direction from the national level to see what dollar amount villages will receive.

**A. MINUTES** – Motion by Adams, seconded by Fulton, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 24, 2021 as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

**B. BUDGET AMENDMENTS** – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Klaas, to approve the budget amendments as presented.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Muoio, Klaas, Adams, Fulton, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**C. SEPTAGE DUMPING FEES TRANSFER** - Motion by DeCoster, seconded by Fulton, to approve the amended septage dumping fees transfer from \$50,000 to \$60,000 to the capital equipment fund 402-000-699-590 (\$50,000 to DPW and \$10,000 to the fire department).

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- DeCoster, Fulton, Klaas, Adams, Muoio, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**C1. COUNCIL DONATION OF STIPEND TO PARKS AND REC** – Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Muoio, to donate Council Stipends to Parks and Rec Capital Outlay Fund.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Kaatz, Muoio, Klaas, Adams, Fulton,

Nays – DeCoster

Motion carried

**D. 2021-2022 BUDGET** – Motion by Fulton, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the 2021-22 Budget as presented.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Fulton, DeCoster, Klaas, Adams, Muoio, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**E. WEBSITE BIDS** – Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Fulton, to accept the bid from EGO for \$18,000 with the understanding the DDA will be approached about payment of the \$18,000 to get the website up and running.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Kaatz, Fulton, Adams, Muoio

Nays- Klaas, DeCoster

Motion carried

**F. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE RESIGNATIONS** – Motion by DeCoster, seconded by Fulton, to accept the resignations for Betty Pasut and Cindy Stewart from the Environmental Committee.

All ayes

Motion carried

**G. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT** – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Fulton to accept the appointment of Jeannine Wypaseck to the Environmental Committee.

All ayes

Motion carried

**H. CLERK LETTER OF AGREEMENT** – Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Adams, to accept the Clerk Letter of Agreement as presented.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Kaatz, Adams, Klaas, Muoio, Fulton, DeCoster

Nays- None

Motion carried

**I. SECRETARY/ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CLERK/RECEPTIONIST JOB DUTIES** – Motion by Fulton, seconded by Muoio, to approve the amendments to the job duties of the Secretary/Accounts Receivable Clerk/Receptionist as presented.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Fulton, Muoio, Klaas, Adams, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**J. PART TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT/PART TIME MOBILE HOME PARK**

**ADMINISTRATIVE JOB DUTIES** – Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Muoio, to approve the job duties of a Part Time Office Assistant and a Part Time MHP Administrative Assistant as presented.

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Kaatz, Muoio, Klaas, Adams, Fulton, DeCoster

Nays- None

Motion carried

**J1. SHORT TERM RESOLUTION 2021-07 Opposition to HB 4722 and SB446** –

Motion by Fulton, seconded by DeCoster, to approve Resolution 2021-07 Opposition to House Bill 4722 and Senate Bill 446 as presented

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Fulton, DeCoster, Klaas, Adams, Muoio, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**CEMETERY**

**K. CHAPEL ROOF REPLACEMENT** –Richard Stapleton, Cemetery Board Chairman, gave a presentation to Council on the removal of the asbestos shingles and replacement of a new roof.

Cemetery Board request for up to \$25,000 for the removal and replacement of the roof. Motion by DeCoster, seconded by Adams, to accept the bids from Central Industrial Asbestos and Woodruff Roofing and Siding at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.

Discussion

Kaatz- Utilities Supervisor Chris Heiden to oversee the project

Roll Call

Ayes- DeCoster, Adams, Klaas, Muoio, Fulton, Kaatz

Nays –None

Motion carried

### **MOBILE HOME PARK**

**L. MHP LOT DEPOSIT REFUNDS** – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Klaas, to approve the MHP Lot Deposit Refunds, \$324 to Jeff Ludy, Lot 171, \$342 to Joseph Marino, Lot 132 and \$320 to Robin Lake, Lot 201.

Roll Call

Ayes- Muoio, Klaas, Adams, Fulton, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

**M. CEMENT PIERS INSTALLATION** – Irwin reported a new home is coming in and the owners are requesting cement piers rather than a new slab, stating insulating skirting is not required piers. Village policy specifies cement pads. Last pour of a new pad, it was \$18,000 and costs for cement pad has gone up. Piers cost approximately \$200 per pier and the new home will require 16 piers, this would be a cost savings for the Village. Adams reported, HUDS documents state that insulated skirting is required for piers and not for slabs. Tabled until next month for clarification or sooner if information is clarified. Irwin stated that if clarification is received regarding the insulation of the skirting, than they will move forward with the slab.

**N. DECORATIVE GRASS REMOVAL NORTH SIDE ENTRANCE** – DeCoster discussed the concerns of the decorative grasses blocks the view of the north side and requested that grass either be removed or trimmed. Kaatz asked that the MHP Advisory board address this. Irwin reported the board did discuss this issue and was asked to send to council for recommendation.

**O. RULES AND REGULATIONS AMENDMENTS** – Motion by DeCoster, seconded by Klaas, to approve the amendments to the Rules and Regulations as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes- DeCoster, Klaas, Adams, Muoio, Fulton, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

## **WATER/SEWER/DPW**

**P. BOYNTON INVERTED SIPHON REPLACEMENT** – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Klaas, to accept the bid from Boddy Construction for \$34, 805.00

Discussion

Roll Call

Ayes- Muoio, Klaas, Adams, Fulton, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

**Q. WTP HVAC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT** – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Adams, to accept the bid from Allan Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$25,960.00.

Discussion

Ayes- Muoio, Adams, Klaas, Fulton, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**R. ASPHALT REPLACEMENT AND REPAIRS** – Motion by Fulton, seconded by Adams, to accept the bid from Aztec Asphalt in the amount of \$36,200.00.

Discussion

Ayes- Fulton, Adams, Klaas, Muoio, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

**FINANCIAL REPORTS** – Motion by Fulton, seconded by Adams, to approve the check register in the amount of \$99,628.97 check numbers 36221 through 36303 and financial reports as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes- Fulton, Adams, Klaas, Muoio, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

## **REPORTS –**

### **Correspondence-**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jackie Huepenbecker- 7108 BR Noble – Commented on the Council members stipends and donation of stipends. Thank you to Council for the approval of resolution regarding the Short Term Rentals, also commented she has been contacting representatives and no response. Also commented on the how nice the cemetery looks.

## **COUNCIL PERSON COMMENTS**

Adams- Questions to Richard Stapleton about asbestos shingles

Klaas – Commented on the pictures of the golf carts parked on streets

DeCoster- Would like to see more of our trustees out and about in the Village. Also commented on the storm drains and should be cleaned out every day.

Muoio- Would like to see Environmental Committee and Parks and Rec work together and get some more trees at Lester Street Park.

Kaatz- Thanks to staff and Bill Sarkella

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Fulton, seconded by Klaas, to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

All ayes

Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted

Beth Grohman, Village Clerk

APPROVED