

**The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 23, 2021 in the Council Chambers at 7227 Huron Avenue,
Lexington, MI 48450**

Call to order the Regular Council Meeting 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: Klaas, Muoio, Fulton, Jarosz, DeCoster, Kaatz

Absent: – Adams

Others present: Holly Tatman, Chris Heiden, Ron Smith, and 39 citizens

Public Comment –

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion by Fulton, seconded by Muoio, to approve the agenda as amended, item # F2. Master Plan Implementation Committee.

All ayes

Motion carried

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

A. Bill Sarkella County Commission – Not in attendance

B. PROCLAMATION – Elizabeth Grohman Recognition – Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Klaas, to approve the Proclamation of Recognition for Elizabeth Grohman as presented.

Roll Call

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

Nays – None

Motion carried

C. MINUTES – Motion by Klaas, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 26, 2021 as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

D. INVOICE – KELLY LAW FIRM – Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Fulton, to approve the payment of \$938.00 to Kelly Law Firm, \$532.00 Zoning, \$154.00 from the Police Department and \$252.00 from the MHP Fund.

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

E. WEBSITE EGO LLC – Tatman reported that the DDA has agreed to pay \$15,000 towards the website creation and the balance of \$3,000 will be paid by the Village spread across the different departments. Doug Drouillard, DDA, Mike Fulton and Vicki Scott will be contacts for the website.

Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Fulton to approve \$3,000 paid from all departments.

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

F. SEMCO FRANCHISE ORDINANCE – Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Klaas to schedule a public hearing for September 27, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

F2. MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE – Motion by Kaatz, seconded by Fulton, to approve the formation of a Master Plan Implementation Committee consisting of chairpersons or an alternate of the chairpersons choosing to serve on the Master Plan Implementation Committee.

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

WATER/SEWER/DPW/STREETS

G. WATER DISTRIBUTION REPAIR PARTS – Heiden briefly explained the bid and need for supplies. Motion by Muoio, seconded by Kaatz, to accept the bid from Michigan Pipe and Valve as recommended.

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

H. SEWER STATION ALARM SYSTEMS – Heiden explained cost for the telephone service for the sewer station communications, and the recommendation from Rein Warnke, our computer programmer. Motion by Fulton, seconded by Muoio, to approve the purchase of a new sewer station alarm system at the cost not to exceed \$5500.00

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

I. GREENBUSH KNOLL ROAD PROPOSAL- Jeff Dunsford presented a proposal to dedicate Greenbush Knoll Streets to the Village. Greenbush Association agrees to resurface to the specifications of the PASER report completed by Townley. Cost from Astec Asphalt \$115,000 for the repaving and the association agrees to pay \$77,500 and the Village would pay the balance of \$37,500 which the Village approved when the road funding MDOT Grant. Greenbush streets were denied by the grant since they are private streets.

Greenbush residents pay taxes for streets but receive no benefits.

It was discovered that the entrance into Greenbush Knoll is Village property that has been maintained by the association, approximately 180 feet.

Motion by Muoio, seconded by Kaatz, to accept the Greenbush Knoll proposal for the provision of \$77,500 support from the Greenbush Association and the Village participation of \$37,500 to repave the Greenbush roads and the streets to be dedicated to the Village

Discussion

Jarosz – Questions why the developer didn't want the streets to be part of the Village.

John Millitecs Surveyor – The state has basically made it impossible to make subdivisions right now because of regulations, developers are moving to site condos. To meet the condo requirements, you have to meet create a commons area and that meets the regulations of a condo, general common area and a limited common area which is the setbacks created by the Village ordinances, meeting the regulations for condo associations.

Dunsford – Last 10 years the association didn't approve the Village because of the regulations and curbs and gutters were required. Ordinances changed, curbs and gutters are not required.

Jarosz – Sited the specifications and standards in the ordinance.

Heiden- Townley Engineering did boring all the way around the subdivisions.

Previous motion amended by Muoio, and supported by Kaatz, Section 64-20 that the proposed street repairs meet the Village Standard and that the Village receives a signed and sealed engineer statement that the roads meet the standards.

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

J. DENISSION/UNION TRUCK TRAFFIC/NOISE ORDINANCE – Lisa Carnes 5388

Union – Semi truck traffic 24/7 through the residential neighborhood, trucks are speeding and is dangerous. Roads cannot handle the weight of the trucks. Every day 25-30 trucks come down Union all hours of the night, and why is the noise ordinance not being enforced. Why isn't Gielow is not being held accountable for the noise.

Presented petition with 26 signatures from the residents. Would like to see some kind of solution, possibly find service drive for the truck traffic. Constant running of a power washer and mechanical running throughout the night. Corner of Union and Denissen is in need of repair due to the truck traffic.

Discussion on the truck route, Union street is designated a truck route, it is a Class A road. Denissen to the west is also designated truck route.

The noise ordinance is for excessive noise, and if it is happening the police department has to be notified at the time it is happening to address it.

Idling trucks should not be happening after quite time. Solution may be to take refrigerator trucks to the facility on Main Street.

Tatman reported that the developers (Stonegate) would consider a direct from 90 to tie in Denissen at the end which create a direct route for Gielows and they would shelter the facility with a buffer. Would meet with the community regarding this conversation. Encourage the community to involved with this matter.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Motion by Klaas, seconded by Jarosz, to approve the check register in the amount of \$248,620.67 check numbers 36385 through 36445 and financial reports as presented.

Discussion

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

REPORTS –

DeCoster- Manger Report- Update on the paint for the tennis court. Should be completed this week.

Correspondence- Library news letter

PUBLIC COMMENT

COUNCIL PERSON COMMENTS

DeCoster – Questions on the Sanilac County New/Jeffersonian Agreement

Jarosz – Would like discussion on a management company for the mobile home park.

Klaas – Looking for Parks and Recreation volunteers.

Fulton- Best wishes to Beth

Kaatz – Thank you all for coming out tonight. Appreciate all the input on the issues, Greenbush and Union/Denissen.

Thank you Beth for all you have done.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Muoio, seconded by Fulton, to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

All ayes
Motion carried
Respectfully Submitted
Beth Grohman, Village Clerk

Approved