

The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Regular Council Meeting Monday, July 29, 2024 in the Council Chambers at 7227 Huron Ave., 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 Vicki Scott

Present: Gresock, Adams, Muoio, Morris, DeCoster, Kaatz

Absent: – None

Others present: L. Fisher, and 10 citizens

ATTENDANCE –

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion by Gresock, seconded by Muoio, to approve the agenda as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

A. EVANS EHARDT – (County Commissioner) – Evans was not able to be here this evening. He sent an email letting the clerk know.

B. LORI FISHER – Fisher updated the Council on multiple projects. The dredging project is planned for next spring. Meetings with Edgewater continue as we coordinate our infrastructure upgrades. The water and sewer projects are active with work starting behind the RV Park.

C. MINUTES – Motion by Gresock, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 24, 2024, as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

Motion carried

D. INVOICE – FLETCHER FEALKO SHOUDY & FRANCIS, P.C.– Motion by Muoio, seconded by Adams, to approve the payment of \$1,060.00 to Fletcher Fealko Shoudy & Francis, P.C. - \$385.00 from the General Fund, \$135.00 from the Mobile Home Park Fund, and \$540.00 from the DDA Fund.

Roll Call

Ayes – Muoio Adams, Gresock, DeCoster, Morris, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

E. USDA SEWER PROJECT - Motion by Morris, seconded by Gresock, to authorize the draw amount of \$288,189.64 from the USDA Rural Development for expenses incurred related to the Sewer Infrastructure Project.

Roll Call

Ayes – Morris, Gresock, Adams, Muoio, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

F. USDA WATER PROJECT - Motion by Muoio, seconded by Adams, to authorize the draw amount of \$156,774.64 from the USDA Rural Development for expenses incurred related to the Water Infrastructure Project.

Roll Call

Ayes – Muoio, Adams, Morris, DeCoster, Gresock, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

G. USDA CHANGE ORDERS FOR WATER & SEWER PROJECT – Motion by Morris, seconded by Adams, to approve Change Order #1 with Booms Construction for a decrease in contract price in the amount of \$211,914.00 for the Water Project.

Roll Call

Ayes – Morris, Adams, DeCoster, Gresock, Muoio, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion Carried

Motion by Morris, seconded by Muoio, to approve Change Order #1 with Boddy Construction for decrease in contract price in the amount of \$122,041.98 for the Sewer Project.

Roll Call

Ayes – Morris, Muoio, Gresock, DeCoster, Adams, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

Motion by Gresock, seconded by Adams, to approve Change Order #2 with Booms Construction for a decrease in the contract price in the amount of \$21,934.00 for the Water Project.

Roll Call

Ayes – Gresock, Adams, Muoio, Morris, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

H. VILLAGE TRUSTEE VACANCY – Kaatz explained we received one application for the Village Trustee Vacancy. Village Council interviewed Robert Dost.

Motion by Morris, seconded by Gresock, to appoint Robert Dost to fill the Village Trustee Vacancy.

Roll Call

Ayes – Morris, Gresock, Adams, Muoio, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

I. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN – Motion by Gresock, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the updated Public Participation Plan as recommended by the Village Manager.

Roll Call

Ayes – Gresock, DeCoster, Morris, Muoio, Adams, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

J. 2024 TRAINING STRATEGY– Motion by Gresock, seconded by Morris, to approve the Training Strategy for 2024 as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes – Gresock, Morris, DeCoster, Muoio, Adams, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

K. RESIGNATION – Motion by Adams, seconded by Muoio, to accept the resignation of James VanDyke from the DDA Board.

All Ayes

Motion carried

L. FIRE DEPARTMENT STAFFING UPDATE – Fisher explained the Lexington Fire Department received notice from Sanilac County Medical Control regarding missed calls. We are expected to make 100% of calls we are dispatched to. Departments across the State are suffering from similar issues with shrinking rosters. Fisher is working with the Fire Chief on potential solutions to our staffing issues. Short term we are switching to responding to calls at EMS request only. Other potential solutions are to offer MFR training to current staff. Discussion followed.

CEMETERY

M. 2ND PROPOSAL TO RAISE WEST DIVISION LOTS 3-10 – Motion by Gresock, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the cemetery project including Jim Coburn’s quote and DPW’s quote for a total amount of \$9,783.00.

Roll Call

Ayes – Gresock, DeCoster, Morris, Adams, Muoio, Kaatz

Nays - None

Motion carried

WATER/SEWER/DPW/STREETS

N. COMMERCIAL ZERO TRUN LAWN MOWER – Motion by Gresock, seconded by Adams, to approve the purchase of a Commercial Zero Turn Lawn Mower from Tri-County Equipment in the amount of \$14,921.04 as recommended by the Utilities Manager.

Roll Call

Ayes- Gresock, Adams, Muoio, Morris, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

MOBILE HOME PARK

O. MOBILE HOME PARK ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS – Motion by DeCoster, seconded by Gresock, to approve the appointments of Janice Reale and Judy Resk to the MHP Advisory Board.

All Ayes

Motion carried

P. MOBILE HOME PARK ADVISORY BOARD COUNCIL APPOINTMENT – Motion by Kaatz, seconded by DeCoster, to appoint Robert Dost to the Mobile Home Park Advisory Board after he is sworn in as Council Trustee.

Roll Call

Ayes – Kaatz, DeCoster, Morris, Muoio, Adams, Gresock

Nays – None

Motion carried

Q. MOBILE HOME PARK DEPOSIT REFUND – Motion by Gresock, seconded by Adams, to approve the following lot deposit refunds as presented:

- Eric Hoshaw (Lot #40) \$484.22
- Joyce Garcia (Lot #145) \$553.00
- Judy Resk (Lot #76) \$324.00
- Howard & Susan Hillman (Lot #24) \$497.61

Roll Call:

Ayes – Gresock, Adams, Muoio, Morris, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Motion by Adams, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the check register in the amount of \$148,171.25 check numbers 38637 through 38698 and financial reports as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes- Adams, DeCoster, Morris, Muoio, Gresock, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

Motion by Gresock, seconded by Morris, to approve the USDA water fund check register in the amount of \$180.00 check number 80006 as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes- Gresock, Morris, DeCoster, Muoio, Adams, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

Motion by Adams, seconded by Gresock, to approve the USDA sewer fund check register in the amount of \$527,473.75 check number 6005 through 6008 as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes- Adams, Gresock, Muoio, Morris, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays- None

Motion carried

REPORTS –

- Lori Fisher explained the new format with all reports.

CORRESPONDENCE- None

PUBLIC COMMENT –

- Jackie Huepenbecker (7108 B.R. Noble) – commented on the progress of the library.

COUNCIL PERSON COMMENTS –

- Kathy DeCoster commented on the Village Presidents report not in packet.
- Will Morris commented on page numbering each item of the agenda.
- Larry Adams commented on getting the monitors up and running.
- Kristen Kaatz commented on not submitting a report if the Manger is reporting on it.

ADJOURNMENT

Kaatz adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Vicki Scott, Village Clerk

I, Vicki Scott, (Village Clerk), do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and original copy of the draft minutes of the Village of Lexington Village Council at a regular meeting held on the 29th day of July, 2024.

Clerk: _____

Dated: _____