

**The Village of Lexington Common Council held a Regular Council Meeting
Monday, September 26, 2022 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 Vicki Scott

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

Absent: – None

Others present: Allie Sutton, and 31 citizens

Public Comment: None

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

All ayes

Motion carried

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

A. PROCLAMATION JACOB (JAKE) BISKNER – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Klaas, to approve the proclamation for Jake Biskner as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

B. LIFE SAVING AWARDS – Motion by Jarosz, seconded by DeCoster, to approve the Life Saving Awards for the following Police and Fire Department Officers; Paul Heneka, Adam Rumenapp, Shane Keglovitz, Tiffany Stephan, Captain Steven Hrbcek, Assistant Chief James Johnson, and Chief Keefe Radtke.

All ayes

Motion carried

C. BILL SARKELLA – The county approved the snow removal contract. We finished the gas storage project. We approved additional cameras in the jail, dispatch computer update, and all millage rates. Our master plan is moving forward. We are working on our animal control shelter. We approved the storm trap sewer debris collection system for the jail. We will have a public document kiosk in the courthouse on the main floor. We hired a new court magistrate.

D. MINUTES – Motion by Fulton, seconded by Klaas, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 22, 2022 as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

Motion by Adams, seconded by Muoio, to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of September 16, 2022 as presented.

All ayes

Motion carried

Motion by DeCoster, seconded by Klaas, to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of September 19, 2022 as presented.

Discussion: DeCoster noted a correction changing Friday to Monday September 19.

All ayes

Motion carried

E. INVOICE – KELLY LAW FIRM – Kaatz explained we received this invoice due to an outside party emailing Kelly Law Firm.

Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Klaas, to disregard the invoice for \$28.00 to Kelly Law Firm.

Discussion:

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

F. INVOICE – FLETCHER FEALKO SHOUDY & FRANCIS, P.C. – Motion by Klaas, seconded by Fulton, to approve the payment of \$180.00 to Fletcher Fealko Shoudy & Francis, P.C., from the General Fund.

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

G. EMTERRA UPDATE – Sutton explained she has been negotiating with Emterra on a new contract. They indicated they are absorbing our 20% fuel charge and will not budge. The cost proposed is a 3% yearly increase. The current CIP is 10%. They explained if we rebid the contract, they would bid us at 17.50 which is significantly higher. In lieu of a price reduction, I asked if they could provide us more trash receptacles and recycling containers. Emterra is looking for another 5-year contract. Discussion followed. Sutton will have present something formal to the Council next month.

H. TOURIST TAX UPDATE – Sutton explained under the General Law Village Charter we are not able to do this. The new bill 594 allows counties to impose a 3% tax for public safety which recognizes tourism. This does not mean the money would come back to the tourist community. Muoio would like to see a public safety millage started with our neighboring communities. Discussion followed on Short Term Rental fees.

MOBILE HOME PARK

I. MOBILE HOME PARK DEPOSIT REFUND – Motion by Muoio, seconded by Klaas, to approve the deposit refund in the amount of \$100.00 to Larry Tyson (Lot #29).

Roll Call

Ayes – Muoio, Klaas, Adams, Fulton, Jarosz, DeCoster, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

J. MOBILE HOME PARK RFP FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT – Judy Resk explained the proposal for new playground equipment. Discussion followed on the possibility of DPW removing the old equipment. Jarosz asked where this money is budgeted. Sutton explained it could come from the MHP capital improvements and capital outlay accounts. Lengthy discussion followed. Muoio suggested looking into adult exercise equipment in the future.

Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Muoio, to approve the purchase of playground equipment not to exceed \$48,185.00 pending the Village Manager's negotiation for removal of the existing equipment in the price and receipt of the warranty for the equipment.

Discussion:

Roll Call

Ayes – Jarosz, Muoio, DeCoster, Fulton, Adams, Klaas, Kaatz

Nays – None

Motion carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Motion by Fulton, seconded by Klaas, to approve the check register in the amount of \$382,043.22 check numbers 37280 through 37362 and financial reports as presented.

Discussion:

Roll Call

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

Nays- None

Motion carried

REPORTS –

- Muoio thanked the Village Manager for her report as well as working on a grant for Village Hall.
- Jarosz asked to receive a copy of the DDA Map showing the possible expansion.

CORRESPONDENCE-

- MML Correspondence
- Moore Public Library Update

PUBLIC COMMENT –

- Dave Faber explained his 6-month contract was up the first week of August and thanked the board for the opportunity to help your current manager. I have still been helping her out as needed.

COUNCIL PERSON COMMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jarosz, seconded by Klaas, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

All ayes

Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted

Vicki Scott, Village Clerk

Approved