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VILLAGE OF WOLVERINE LAKE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Magee called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Sienkiewicz, Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack

Absent: Scott, Nedrow

Others: Administrator Burd, Deputy Chief Woychowski, Engineer Powell, Attorney Elowsky, Treasurer Kondek and approximately 9 members of the public.

President Magee stated that both Scott and Nedrow were out of town and unable to attend tonight's meeting.

MOTION by Stack, seconded by Duff, to excuse both Scott and Nedrow from tonight's meeting.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

4. RC 2/8/2017 19830 CORRESPONDENCE

None

5. RC 2/8/2017 19831 ADDITIONS TO BUSINESS

Magee stated there are no additions to business but asked to move Item 12. A. 1 to be Item 12. B. 1.; then discussion can follow regarding the soccer fields.

MOTION by Duff, seconded by Stack, to approve the Agenda as amended.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

6. RC 2/8/2017 19832 1ST CALL TO THE PUBLIC – THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS.

Magee opened the First Call to the Public.

No discussion.

Magee closed the First Call to the Public.

7. RC 2/8/2017 19833 APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Duff, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Sienkiewicz, Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow
Motion carried.

8. RC 2/8/2017 19834 APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR MINUTES – JANUARY 11, 2017 – WORK SESSION MINUTES – JANUARY 25, 2017.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Duff, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2017 and the Work Session Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2017, as submitted.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Sienkiewicz, Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow
Motion carried.

9. RC 2/8/2017 19835 RECEIVE AND FILE WRITTEN REPORTS.

Police Report for 1-17
Code Enforcement Report 1-17
Building Report of 1-17
Fire Report of 1-17
Administrative Committee, 1-13-17
Park and Recreation, 1-16-17
ZBA, 1-17-17
Planning Commission, 1-26-17
Water Management Board, 2-1-17

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Duff, to receive and file written reports, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Sienkiewicz, Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack
NAYS – None
ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow
Motion carried.

10. RC 2/8/2017 19836 APPROVE WARRANTS

Approve Payables for the month of January in the amount of \$141,525.77.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Duff, to approve Payables for the month of January in the amount of \$141,525.77, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Sienkiewicz, Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow

Motion carried.

11. RC 2/8/2017 19837 PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE

12. B. 1. RC 2/8/2017 19838 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD – MOTION \$1,000 FROM “OTHER EVENTS” BUDGET FOR THE DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE.

MOTION by Duff, seconded by Nagy, to release \$1,000 from “Other Events” Budget for the Daddy/Daughter Dance, as presented.

Administrator Burd stated that anyone interested can sign up on line at the web site or in person at the Village office.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack, Sienkiewicz

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow

Motion carried.

12. C. RC 2/8/2017 19839 DISCUSSION: AMENIA PARK COST ESTIMATE

Administrator Burd stated the cost estimate in everyone’s packet reflects quite a drop in the overall cost. He had a meeting with the Eagle Scout who intends to put up a play structure in April.

Magee asked if the estimate for paving included the parking lot and pathways. Powell stated it went out as one package. He noted the estimate is on the high side as there are savings to be had, such as using millings. Nagy asked if we have the millings available. Powell stated if the road paving project is approved there should be plenty left over.

Sienkiewicz stated he is happy to see this project was toned down a lot. He is not happy about the willow tunnel. It’s not a lot of money but he thinks it is something that won’t survive. He was glad to see a more logical number. Magee stated he thinks the willow tunnel is a signature piece. He thinks other than that, we are down to basics. Sienkiewicz asked if the DPW would have to water it. Magee stated they water other things and could water this. Nagy stated he also felt it would serve as a focal point.

Magee stated the scope of work is now pretty reasonable. Magee stated we have to go back to get final numbers and decide options for parking.

Sienkiewicz stated the original cost was ridiculous and it is more logical now and he thinks we need to consider accommodating handicap people and children and a hard surface would provide better access.

12. D. RC 2/8/2017 19840 DISCUSSION: CW-3 SOCCER

Administrator Burd stated there has been some discussion about the soccer proposal and there seemed to be a sense that this might be something that would be good for the park. There was also a sense not to remove the baseball fields out of the park. Since the last Council meeting, he met with Commerce Little League and they have expressed a sincere need for practice fields. They tried to come up with was a plan that would utilize this athletic space and accommodate both soccer fields and baseball fields. He pointed out the proposed layout. He stated if Council comes to a consensus that this is something to pursue, the baseball organizations have expressed an interest in partnering with the Village to make it happen. He stated they are trying to find a way to make everyone happy and utilize the space as best as possible. He stated the initial feedback from CW-3 and the baseball organizations have been positive.

Nagy stated some of the residents in the area may not be happy about baseball fields in their back yards. He stated they should be made aware of it.

Sienkiewicz stated with all of this going on, there will be a multitude of people coming and going. He asked if the residents that live along those roads realize what is going to be in their back yard. He asked how much of the project the Village would have to take on, such as paving. Burd stated any additional paving for parking would be on the Village. Sienkiewicz asked about moving the fields and putting up the back stops. Burd stated that part he is unsure of at this time, he would have to find out what the baseball organization would be willing to do. They have not talked finances yet.

Sienkiewicz stated by putting the two soccer fields close to the parking area, he has concerns about parking for residents who want to use the park. He thinks if the soccer fields were at the other end, it would leave spots open in the front for the residents who use the park. Stack stated we could designate a certain amount of parking spots as “playground only”.

Sienkiewicz stated soccer games will be very loud. He stated baseball practices will not be a big deal but the games will be. He stated he won't have to hear it, but those living close will.

Chris Haney, CW-3 Manager, stated the baseball fields are arranged so the outfields are not interfering with each other and the soccer fields. Sienkiewicz stated it still could be arranged to not interfere.

Todd Lamb, CW-3 President, stated with the potential 3rd baseball field, moving it around would separate the 2 from the third.

Magee asked if moving the fields to a different location would make a difference to CW-3. They indicated the fields would be better suited to the proposed area, but there probably would be none.

Todd Lamb, CW-3 President, stated if the Village wanted to designate parking spaces for the park, he knows that their parents would honor that.

Sienkiewicz asked if they would only be involved if two fields could be done and not just one. CW-3 indicated it would not be financially worth it for them to put in just one field.

12. D. 1. RC 2/8/20187 19841 RECOMMENDATION FROM ENGINEER POWELL – 2017 SPRING ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM CONTRACT.

Powell stated the letter he sent on February 7, 2017 summarizes the bids that were taken. There were five bids ranging from \$340,000 to \$450,000. In our past experience it is not unusual to have that range in bids. He stated this was a little more unique in that we had a wide range of different projects and bidding them together. It was difficult to bid them out totally separately. He was able to break out the costs associated with the road paving program, the potential Clara Miller Park costs and the Amenia Park and pathways. Also, DPW Leader Stone, asked that we get a price to repave the Penny Lake Well House driveway. He stated it depends on what projects Council would like to move forward with. He stated the Woodlawn street paving came in about a third higher than what the original budget was for because he included about a third more of the paving. Woodlawn was proposed in the budget plan, but only two thirds of the road was bad enough to do, when he did this back in 2015. When he was putting together these bids, he looked at the road and really struggled with cutting that roadway down a third when the rest of the road really needs to be done as well. He bid the entire project out as one. He stated another question is Woodlawn Court and Amarillo. They are in a little better condition than the main roadway, but they are dead-end roads traveled by very few people. He looks for Council's guidance on the paving of the roads and what parks would we like to combine with the roadways.

Magee asked what the timeframe would be. Powell stated it would be done in May and there is a penalty attached if not done by Memorial Day. Magee stated he thinks it is pretty clear we are not ready to give the go ahead for Clara Miller Park. He stated for Amenia, it should be recalculated and thinks the estimate could be less. Magee asked the Treasurer what the budget was for road paving.

Treasurer Kondek stated we have gone above what was originally projected in the five year plan. He does have concerns that if we have already exceeded our budgeted numbers for year one; he thinks we need to take a serious look at the numbers that we have projected for subsequent years and what effect that will have on the General Fund. He stated we are down to around \$24,000 left for this year. He noted some of the work can be done but will require funding from the General Fund. He stated regarding the Penny Lake Pump House, he is sure he could justify that as a Water Fund. Anything for Amenia Park would be General Fund, same for Clara Miller.

Magee thinks we need to look at completing a portion of the project and pushing others off for a bit. He noted we did extensive patching this year which while costly, may pay off in the future.

Sienkiewicz stated we need to take care of the Amenia project and Penny Lake Pump House. He thinks if we complete the Oakview project, while going into the General Fund, it's not as much.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Stack, to have ASI do Oakview, Amenia and Penny Lake Pump House with funding for Oakview to come out of Road Fund plus General Fund, funding for Amenia to come from General Fund, and Penny Lake from Water Fund, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Nagy, Duff, Stack, Sienkiewicz, Magee

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow

Motion carried.

12. E. 1. RC 2/8/2017 19842 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD – 2017 LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN.

Magee stated we do not have a formal recommendation so there is nothing Council needs to take action on. He noted he did attend the last Water Management meeting. The general plan is increased harvesting. The Board believes the permits from the State will arrive on time this year. They will be changing up the herbicides used so not to become resistant. He stated there is an expectation there will be five or six treatments but the treatment areas will be more limited and not have some of the same water restrictions. He stated there was spirited discussion regarding the herbicides used, what kind of damage they do to the lawns, and what the requirements are. The President of Aqua Weed was there talking about some of the herbicides used and the EPA requirements to use them. They are used entirely below the threshold used in drinking water. He stated these are really safe herbicides and are used at safe levels.

Sienkiewicz stated he hopes the applications go in at times they won't interfere with the weekends.

Magee stated overall he thinks it is a really good plan and addresses some of the issues from last year, in terms of the timing and use of the harvester. The Board expects to get much better control early on. He stated something that was addressed was better overall communication.

Administrator Burd stated the meeting was recorded and available online for anyone who would like to view it.

12. F. 1. RC 2/8/2017 19843 RECOMMENDATION FROM POLICE CHIEF ELLSWORTH – REQUEST TO SEND OFFICER BEAUDRY TO 3-DAY “MI SPEED MEASUREMENT OPERATOR” TRAINING COURSE.

12. F. 2. RC 2/8/2017 19844 RECOMMENDATION FROM POLICE CHIEF ELLSWORTH – REQUEST FOR DEPARTMENT TO ATTEND ANNUAL “CORE” TRAINING IN WIXOM.

12. F. 3. RC 2/8/2017 19845 RECOMMENDATION FROM POLICE CHIEF ELLSWORTH – REQUEST TO JOIN GRANT FUNDED TRAINING CONSORTIUM (SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE LAW ENFORCMENT).

Magee stated all of the requests are pretty straight forward and come from budgeted funds.

MOTION by Duff, seconded by Sienkiewicz, to approve the recommendations for training including \$250 from budgeted training funds for Officer Beaudry to attend 3-day “MI Speed Measurement Operator” Training Course, to attend the Annual “CORE” Training in Wixom at a cost of \$1,400 from budgeted training funds and to join Grant Funded Training Consortium (Schoolcraft College Law Enforcement) at a cost of \$175 from budgeted training funds, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Duff, Stack, Nedrow, Magee, Nagy

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Scott, Sienkiewicz

Motion carried.

12. G. RC 2/8/2017 19846 VILLAGE TITLE VI PLAN REVISION.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Stack, to approve Burd replacing Miller as Coordinator, Village Title VI Plan Revision, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Sienkiewicz, Magee, Nagy, Duff, Stack

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow

Motion carried.

12. H. RC 2/8/2017 19847 2ND CALL TO THE PUBLIC – APPROXIMATELY 9:00PM OR AT THIS AGENDA ITEM (WHICHEVER COMES FIRST). THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL REGARDING VILALGE BUSINESS.

Magee opened the 2nd Call to the Public.

Bob Malek, 1620 Thurston, stated regarding the comments on Amenia Park, he thanked Council for brining the cost down from over \$8,000 to close to \$3,000. He stated it says a lot for the work involved. He stated regarding Item 12. D.,the ball diamonds and the soccer fields, as a member of Spring Lake Heights which has a street that backs up to the park; he is concerned about the noise level. He thinks it would be a nice thing but not good for those residents. He thinks weekends are when the park is used the most. He would hate to see it ruined for the

residents. He stated he would encourage his neighbors to show up and discourage this from happening. He stated regarding the Cliff Cottrell Memorial, he thinks the Village does not have to have someone every year. He thinks it is more prestigious than that. He stated he understands we have a Council person leaving. He worked with him with Council and the ZBA and noted it will be a great loss to the community.

Karl Schierlinger, 1066 Lakeview, stated he went before the Water Board with some concerns about his neighborhood and a vessel blocking the canal. He talked to the Administrator and he is looking into some things. He believes it is a safety concern. He passed out some pictures for Council to review.

Magee stated the enforcement issues regarding these kind of things can be very difficult. He thinks we will have to look into this.

Magee closed the 2nd Call to the Public.

12. I. 1. RC 2/8/2017 19848 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – 2016 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR.

Magee stated the Administrative Committee recommended Phil Peters receive this award. He stated Peters has done a phenomenal job on a multitude of projects with the park, the fishing tournament, etc. They think it is time he was recognized.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Stack, to award Phil Peters 2016 Citizen of the Year Award, as presented.
All in favor.

12. I. 2. RC 2/8/2017 19849 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – CLIFF COTTRELL MEMORIAL.

Magee stated the Administrative Committee recommended Joann Sullivan be added to the Cliff Cottrell Memorial Plaque in recognition of her lifetime of outstanding services to Wolverine Lake. Stack stated she is always a pleasure to work with. Magee stated she has had a long involvement with the Water Management Board, is one of the originators of Tiki Night, one of the major organizers of the packing party and the Historical Committee. The Administrative Committee felt she really belonged on the plaque. In addressing Mr. Malek, one of the changes made is it was originally a posthumous award and it was changed to recognize those who have made a difference in this community while they are still here. This means there was a slight back log of those who truly deserve recognition.

MOTION by Nagy, seconded by Stack, to open the discussion to the public.
All in favor.
Motion carried.

Bob Malek, 1620 Thurston, stated he is not against giving the award and thinks the candidate is more than deserving. He just doesn't want to see it blanketed in. He would like to see it spread out more.

MOTION by Nagy, seconded by Duff, to close the discussion to the public.
All in favor
Motion carried.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Stack, to award Joann Sullivan the Cliff Cottrell Memorial, as presented.
All in favor.
Motion carried.

12. J. RC 2/8/2017 19850 SUMMARY OF VILLAGE COUNCIL GOALS.

Magee went briefly through the goals. Administrative - they want to review staffing levels of the Police Department, staffing levels of the DPW and review the Charter and place appropriate amendments on the ballot for 2018. Finance – they want to review the trash pickup fee to see if it can be reduced. He stated the trash pickup was reviewed at the last Finance Committee meeting and it was found essentially the Village is still caught in the same financial trap when we adopted the trash fee. Revenue sharing is short more than \$100,000 than what it was at its peak. With adjustments for inflation, we are really at about \$200,000 what that amount was. In terms of property tax evaluation, property values are coming up a good deal short. In addition to those two, the State badly underfunds roads and we are 1.6 million short in what we need to maintain the roads. When looked at, the most equitable solution is to still ask people to pay for their trash collection. This was their recommendation and it was unanimous. He stated they did review it and the Treasurer gave them a lot of good information. Parks – Amenia, Clara Miller and Oak Island are all priorities. A couple of administrative items, they would like to get an official employee handbook with standards and expectations. Reviving the CW3 meetings going with our neighboring communities to open those lines of communications. Infrastructure – the Village Parking Lot got pushed out to 2018. The Committee talked about investigating a hot wash station and investigating what to do about the remaining dirt roads. There was also some talk about other potential parks and pathways.

Sienkiewicz suggested if the Village hires the same person to look into future parks that we give them a very specific outline of what we are looking for so we don't end up getting something that is way out of line and have to be redone. Magee stated there was some discussion about presenting what the neighborhood park looks like and what we are looking for so, we don't have to go through that process again.

MOTION by Duff, seconded by Stack, to adopt the Council Goals set at the January 25, 2017, Work Session meeting, as presented.
All in favor.
Motion carried.

12. K. RC 2/8/2017 19851 SET TOPICS FOR FEBRUARY 22 WORK SESSION.

Magee stated he does not think that we have any topics pending.

MOTION by Sienkiewicz, seconded by Duff, to cancel the February 22, 2017, Work Session, as presented.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

13. RC 2/8/2017 19852 PENDING BUSINESS

None

14. RC 2/8/2017 19853 UPDATE DEPUTY CHIEF WOYCHOWSKI.

Magee noted that the Deputy Chief Woychowski had to step out of the meeting.

15. RC 2/8/2017 19854 UPDATE FROM TREASURER KONDEK

Treasurer Kondek stated by the time Council meets next, the budget process for fiscal year 2018 will have started. He stated we have had some good success with the Simply Recycling program. They estimate 36 percent of our households are participating.

16. RC 2/8/2017 19855 UPDATE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Burd thanked Council for sending him to the conference last week. He met a lot of people and found it beneficial. He stated someone from the Huron Watershed will be at the next meeting. He stated the deadline for the Daddy/Daughter Dance is tomorrow.

17. RC 2/8/2017 19856 COUNCIL COMMENTS

Sienkiewicz stated that Joann Sullivan was an excellent choice for the Cliff Cottrell. He offered congratulations to her and wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Stack wished everyone a happy Daddy/Daughter dance. He stated his daughter at 28 felt a little too old. He thinks it is a great event for the Village. He congratulated Joann and Phil on their awards.

Duff stated his daughter had a previous commitment for the Daddy/Daughter Dance but hoped everyone has fun. He reminded everyone to be safe on the ice.

Magee stated he would skip forward on comments and regrets the announcement that Pat Nagy is leaving. He stated he has enjoyed working with him and noted his contributions.

Nagy stated he regrets to turn in his resignation. He stated he has enjoyed his time here and it has been a pleasure. He thanked everyone but he is moving to be closer to his daughter.

MOTION by Stack, seconded by Duff, to accept with regret the resignation of Pat Nagy and ask the Administrator to begin the process of posting for applications for a new member of Council, as submitted.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES – Stack, Sienkiewicz, Magee, Duff

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Scott, Nedrow

ABSTAIN - Nagy

Motion carried.

18. RC 2/8/2017 19857 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Nagy, seconded by Sienkiewicz, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

Nathan Burd, Village Administrator
Recording Secretary Sheila Nicholas

John Magee, Village President

PRELIMINARY