

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
July 13, 2017
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

2017-78 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Petruska.

Council present: Merry Barron, Erik Bitely, Greg Goss, Jill Krikke, John Petruska, and Bert Rose.

Council absent: Steve Buckner

Officers present: Mary Portell, Clerk and Debbie Forth, Treasurer.

Others present: Bertha Rose and Kari Blackburn.

2017-79 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bitely, 2nd by Barron to approve the June 8, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2017-80 PUBLIC TIME OTHER THAN AGENDA ITEMS – Kari Blackburn, 102 N. East St. Addressed past issues with vehicles parked on her lawn. Understands parking on the side of College Street due to school functions. Wants to be pro-active before school starts not to have vehicles parked on her front lawn.

2017-81 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Goss, 2nd by Barron to approve the agenda with no changes.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

There was a discussion between council members regarding an event that happened after the June council meeting. The Village President conducted a closed door meeting against the clerk's wishes. The Clerk and Trustee Buckner requested the President open the door, but he would not open the door until he was finished. The Council did not feel the need to put this item on the agenda.

2017-82 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

Equipment Committee – *Erik Bitely & Bert Rose*
1992 Dumptruck was sold. Looking for a VBox.

HR – *John Petruska*

The July 6th minutes were included in meeting packet.

Interviewing for Part-time Office Assistant. Two candidates have been interviewed. Contacting one more candidate.

Sewer & Storm – *Mary Portell*

Another chemical application will be done in August to treat the ponds. We received two new sewer connection applications.

Street Report – Erik Bitely

Ball Creek and Main Street need to be stripped, cross walk at the 4-way stop and the RR crossing on S. Main.

Five slabs of sidewalk need to be repaired

President

President Petruska informed the council about his conversation with the Village Attorney regarding an email dated June 27, 2017 about Medical Marijuana.

Other Reports

- A. Clerk’s 7/13/17 Written Report.
- B. Treasurer’s /17 Written Report.
- C. Dennis Kaminski, Zoning Administrator, reviewed his written report.
No current information on the sidewalk on M46.
- D. June Fire Report - *Chief Rexford*

Community Event – July 29th Rifle / Rib Dinner benefit for the Fall Festival tractor pull to purchase a 20/40 video screen and event insurance.

2017-83 APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS – None.

2017-84 FINANCE

- A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Rose to approve the bills for the amount of Thirty-one thousand, One hundred Fourteen and 16/100 (\$31,114.16) dollars.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Barron, Bitely, Goss, Krikke, Rose, and Petruska.

Nays: None Motion CARRIED

- B. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Barron to pay Tim Johnson’s invoice per the inspection and approval of President Petruska.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Bitely, Goss, Krikke, Rose, Barron and Petruska.

Nays: None. Motion CARRIED

2017-85 OLD BUSINESS - None.

2017-86 NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Barron to adopt **Resolution No. 2017-13** Kent City Fall Festival Parade 2017.

Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.

Motion CARRIED

- B. **Motion** by Bitely, 2nd by Krikke to develop an IT Committee as outlined by Trustee Goss.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2017-87 ADJOURNMENT – President Petruska adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Portell, Village Clerk