

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
December 14, 2017
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

2017-132 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Petruska.

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

Council absent: None.

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

Others present: Dennis Kaminski, Z.A., David Kieft, Scout ~ Troop 704.

2017-133 Motion by Goss, 2nd by Barron to approve the November 9, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2017 PUBLIC TIME OTHER THAN AGENDA ITEMS – Boy Scout from Troop 704 for his Merit badge.

2017-135 CORRESPONDENCE ~ None.

2017-136 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Buckner, 2nd by to Barron approve the agenda to delete the estimate from P&N under Sewer / addition under President's Report as presented. (The November fire report will be presented at the January meeting.)

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2017-137 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

Beautification – *Merry Barron & John Petruska*
Christmas decorations look very nice.

Equipment – *Eric Bitely & Bert Rose*

Truck #507 ~ Kent County Road Comm calibrated salt distribution. A DOT inspection will be scheduled.

HR Committee – *John Petruska*

Motion by Buckner, 2nd by Bitely to accept recommendation of the HR Committee to authorize a pay raise of 50 cents for Tanya Giamio, Office Assistant and to authorize a safety bonus of Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) each to Steve Evink and Jay Pike.

Roll call Vote:

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

Nays: None.

Motion CARRIED

Sewer Committee – Mary Portell

P&N estimate to engineer the ditch project will be on the January agenda. The Bio-solids report for 2017, pond #2 was reviewed. Sludge removal reserve of \$250,000 was capped 2/28/17. Yearly allocation was \$25,000. Fence repairs were discussed ~ budget workshop item.

Street Report – Erik Bitely

Ball Creek and N. Main Streets were crack filled under budget.

President’s Report – John Petruska

Village President read a letter from Bob Sarachman, Township Supervisor, dated December 13th requesting the village to table the decision to contract with IMS for inspection services.

Other Reports

- A. Clerk’s 12/11/17 Written Report.
- B. Treasurer’s 11/30/17 Written Report. Interest rates were discussed and Michigan Class, a local government investment pool.
- C. Zoning Administrator’s Written Report dated 12/14/17 was reviewed. Items discussed: façade repair issue at 6 S. Main Street, putting caution tape on the railings and to contact the school per cross walk safety. ZA mailed a letter.

December 16th Santa is Coming to Town 10 AM.

2017-138 APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

- A. **Motion** by Rose, 2nd by Buckner to appoint Greg Goss as President Pro-Tempore.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- B. **Motion** by Buckner, 2nd by Goss to appoint Erik Bitely as Street Administrator.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- C. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Rose to appoint the Committees as currently appointed.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- D. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Buckner to appoint Tom Sherwood on the Planning Commission term expiring 2/2020.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2017-139 FINANCE

- A. **Motion** by Bitely, 2nd by Rose to approve the bills for the amount of Sixty-four thousand, One hundred thirty-one and 25/100 (\$64,131.25)., voiding check # 22462 and reissuing for \$365.28.
Roll call Vote:
Ayes: Bitely, Buckner, Goss, Krikke, Rose, Barron, and Petruska.
Nays: None Motion CARRIED

- 2017-140** OLD BUSINESS
- A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Buckner to table the adoption of the proposed ordinance To Designate An Enforcing Agency to Discharge the Responsibilities of The Village of Kent City Under the Provisions of the State Construction Code (Act 230) and to authorize the Village President and President Pro-tempore to discuss with Tyrone Township their concerns and to invite them to our January meeting.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED
- 2017-141** NEW BUSINESS
- A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Krikke to adopt **Resolution No. 2017-26** To Authorize Traffic Control for the Kent City Ridge Run in March, 2018.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays Motion CARRIED
- 2017-142** ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn by Barron, 2nd by Goss at 8:30 p.m.
Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nay. Motion CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Portell, Village Clerk