

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
January 11, 2018  
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

**2018-01** CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

Jill Krikke was appointed to be acting secretary in the absence of the Village Clerk.

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

Council absent: Merry Barron.

Officers present: Debbie Forth, Treasurer.

Others present: Dennis Kaminski, Z.A.; Bob Sarachman (Township Supervisor); Cliff Turner (Assessor); David Cooley (Plumbing & Mechanical Inspector); Casey Patterson (Building Inspector).

**2018-02** **Motion** by Bitely, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rose to approve the December 14, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

**2018-03** PUBLIC TIME OTHER THAN AGENDA ITEMS – None.

**2018-04** CORRESPONDENCE ~ None.

**2018-05** APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion** by Buckner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Goss approve the agenda with no changes.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

**2018-06** PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

Beautification – *John Petruska*

Christmas decorations scheduled to come down Saturday 1/15/18 at 9 am.

Equipment – *Eric Bitely & Bert Rose*

Truck #507 ~ DOT inspection was done. Sterling box needs adjustment.

Health & Safety – *Jill Krikke*

Jill did the safety walk-thru. No issues.

Sewer Committee

**Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rose to table P&N'S proposal for the ditch project and get another estimate from Callen Engineering.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

P&N Saw Grant Engineering Services Agreement– President Petruska questioned if the terms of the agreement are binding if the grant amount awarded is less than the requested grant amount.

Street Report – Erik Bitely

Nothing to report.

A letter was sent to the property owner of 102 N. East Street to remove the boulders by Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> she placed along College Street. Her request to the council was to place cones on East Street for special events held at the elementary school. The cones are to be removed after the event.

President’s Report – John Petruska

Budget workshop Dinner at 6:30 p.m. / Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Callen Engineering is preparing the paperwork for Leaver Park well project.

Granger Disposal is not sending a separate bill for one time annual payment but this option is still available.

Other Reports

- A. Clerk’s 1/10/18 Written Report. Councils not interested in allocating CDBG funds for sidewalk projects. Granger will honor program to pay for 11 months for 12 months of service.
- B. Treasurer’s 12/31/17 Written Report. Debbie will present amendments for Investment Policy at the budget meeting. Need due-diligence information from Michigan CLASS.
- C. Zoning Administrator ~
  - 80 S. Clover Street wood burning stove was discussed. A civil infraction citation will be issued by the Village Z.A. Speedway has inquired about putting in a deli bar. The public hearing for the Sign Ordinance amendments will be scheduled upon approval of the final draft.
  - February PC Meeting ~ Public Hearing for 10 N. East Street.
- D. Fire Reports for November and December were reviewed. Invite for annual party February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

*Community ~ No carnival this year. Easter Egg Hunt ~ Saturday before Easter.*

**2018-07**

APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

- A. **Motion** by Buckner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Goss to reappoint Kathy Ignasiak on the DDA board.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

**2018-08**

FINANCE

- A. **Motion** by Buckner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Goss to approve the bills for the amount of Twenty-three thousand, Six hundred Twenty-four and 12/100 (\$23,624.12).

Roll call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

**2018-09**

**OLD BUSINESS**

A. Information was shared from the township inspectors. Dave Cooley spoke about his education. Cliff Turner, Assessor, stated that if the Village contracts with IMS, he no longer will give the Village Treasurer the same service that he has been providing. The Village would make 10% of permit fees from IMS ~ \$8,000 = \$800. Trustee Goss would like one stop shop and have township forms available to distribute at the village office if we continue with their inspectors. President Petruska's and Trustee Buckner's major concern is a cooperative relationship with the township, rather than getting the 10% permit fees.

**Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rose 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 revisit at the February meeting.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

**2018-10**

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buckner to adopt **Resolution No. 2018-01** To Schedule a Public Hearing for the Proposed Budget.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays

Motion CARRIED

**2018-11**

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn by Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Goss at 9:12 p.m.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nay.

Motion CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Krikke, Acting Secretary