

## Village of Port Sanilac Council Meeting

August 3, 2021

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Southard.

President Mach called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Council Members Present:** M. Balysh, S. Balysh, Jacobs, Lange, Southard, Mach

**Excused Absence:** Davis

**Staff Present:** Darcy Johnson, Don Morath, Larry O'Keefe, Sarah Morath

**Guests:** Jeff Smeader, Jim Sroka, Bill Sarkella; Todd Clancy, Barb Main and Brenda Kelley (Agri-Valley FiberNet).

### **Agenda/Additions:**

1. Motion to approve bills to be paid dated August 5, 2021
2. Treasurer's Report - August 3, 2021
3. Manager's Report July 2021
4. Planning Commission Approved Minutes for June 22, 2021 and Unapproved Minutes for July 27, 2021
5. EMC Insurance renewal
6. Agri-Valley Services proposal
7. Letter to Gale Travis

**Motion** by Jacobs, seconded by M. Balysh to approve Agenda/Additions dated August 3, 2021. **Motion carried.**

### **Presentations:**

**a.** Brenda Kelley outlined Agri-Valley's proposal for FiberNet services within the Village of Port Sanilac and requested council's approval to proceed with installation after Labor Day this year.

**Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by Jacobs to go forward with publication for a Public Hearing regarding Agri-Valley Services proposed FiberNet project for the Village of Port Sanilac. **Motion carried.**

### **Petitions and Communications:**

**a.** Nicole Falls' letter of resignation from Parks & Recreation Committee was read by Deputy Clerk.

**Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by Southard to accept Nicole Falls' resignation with regret. **Motion carried.**

**b.** Email from Gale Travis regarding status of the Parks & Recreation Committee was read by the Deputy Clerk. Council members shared ideas to expand the Parks & Rec programs and attract new committee members. Current committee members will be contact to ascertain their level of participation going forward.

**c.** ~~EMS~~ EMC insurance annual renewal, due September 3, 2021. **Motion** by Southard, seconded by M. Balysh to receive and file the letter, and forward to Finance Committee for purposes of review and recommendation to Council. **Motion carried.**

**d.** Letter to Gale Travis regarding his resignation as Chairman of Parks & Recreation Committee was read by the Deputy Clerk.

**Motion** by Southard, seconded by Lange to send letter to Gale Travis. **Motion carried.**

### **Presidential Appointments:**

**a.** Kathleen Malone is not a resident of the village at this time so she does not qualify to be on the Planning Commission.

### **Public Comment:**

County Commissioner, Bill Sarkella gave a report from the county level. Don Morath reported the newly-formed Breakwater Renovation Group has been brought to the attention of Sarkella, to start coordination on the county level. Sarkella has informed Andrew Beeler, State Representative, of the issue as well.

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### **New Business:**

#### **a. American Rescue Plan Act (Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund) Application**

D. Morath reported on the application for Coronavirus-relief funds available from the federal government. The Village of Port Sanilac is eligible for \$60,812. Notice of award is expected in late September.

**Previous Business:** None

### **Bills:**

**a. Motion** by Lange, seconded by S. Balysh to approve bills **PAID** dated 8/03/2021 in the amount of \$ 5,795.76. **Motion carried.**

**b. Motion** by Jacobs, seconded by Lange to approve bills **TO BE PAID** dated 8/05/2021 in the amount of \$8,804.46. **Motion carried.**

### **Minutes:**

**Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by Jacobs to approve the July 20, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

### **Treasurer's Report:** Darcy Johnson

**a.** Financial Statements July 2020 & 2021

**b.** Treasurer's Report August 3, 2021 was given

### **Business Manager:** Larry O'Keefe

**a.** Manager's Report July 2021

Consideration of re-opening the Welcome Center will go before Building and Sites Committee; meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 10 a.m.

### **Planning Commission:**

**a.** Planning Commission Annual Report 2020-2021

**b.** Approved Minutes dated June 22, 2021

**c.** Unapproved Minutes dated July 27, 2021

**Zoning Administrator Report:** Reviewed

### **Deputy Clerk:** Sarah Morath

Six (6) applications for the clerk's vacancy have been received. President Mach scheduled a Personnel Committee meeting on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 8 a.m. to review applications with the expectation that a recommendation will be presented to Council at the August 17, 2021 regular meeting.

**Governance Committee Minutes:** None

### **Work in Progress:**

**a.** 2020 Water Project

**Public Comment:** D. Morath reported on the July 29<sup>th</sup> visit by Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District Commanding Officer and a representative from Congresswoman Lisa McClain's office.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by Southard to adjourn the council meeting at 8:39 pm. **Motion carried.**

Sarah Morath, Deputy Clerk