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Approved Meeting Minutes

Village of Port Sanilac Council Meeting October 19, 2023

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by President Falcon.

President Falcon called the Council Meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Council Members Present: M. Balysh, S. Balysh, B. Hunter, D. Falcon

Council Member Absent: J. Southard

Staff Present: Don Morath, Larry O'Keefe, Barbara Rabineau, Anne Soule

Guests: Al Daum, Dan Finn, Chad Gainor, Cathi Hazlett, Dave Hazlett, Susan Manier, Britton Simon,

Amy True

Agenda/Additions:

1. Resolution Number: #06-2023 – A Resolution to Rescind Prior Resolution #03-2023, - A Resolution to Dissolve the Sanilac East Fire Authority.

Motion by B. Hunter, seconded by M. Balysh to approve Agenda and Addition. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: None

Presidential Appointments:

a. **Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by B. Hunter to appoint Britton Simon to the Village of Port Sanilac Council; term extends through 2024.

Roll Call Vote:

M. Balysh yes, S. Balysh yes, B. Hunter yes, J. Southard absent, D. Falcon yes. Motion Carried.

b. Motion by D. Falcon, seconded by S. Balysh to appoint Amy True to the Village of Port Sanilac Council; term extends through 2024.

Roll Call Vote:

M. Balysh yes, S. Balysh yes, B. Hunter yes, J. Southard absent, D. Falcon yes. Motion Carried.

- **c. Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by M. Balysh to appoint Benjamin Hunter to the Sanilac East Fire Authority Board. **Motion Carried.**
- **d. Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by M. Balysh to appoint Jim Sroka to the Sanilac East Fire Authority Board. **Motion Carried.**
- **e. Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by B. Hunter to appoint Britton Simon (alternate member) to the Sanilac East Fire Authority. **Motion Carried.**

Presentations: None

Petitions and Communications:

- a. Ordinance Amendment was submitted into the record.
- b. Village of Port Sanilac Resolution Number: #03-2023 A Resolution to Dissolve the Sanilac East Fire Authority (Reference Only). Motion by D. Falcon, seconded by B. Simon to rescind Resolution Number: #03-2023 A Resolution to Dissolve the Sanilac East Fire Authority.

Roll Call Vote: M. Balysh yes, S. Balysh yes, B. Hunter yes, B. Simon yes, J. Southard absent, A. True yes, D. Falcon yes.

Motion Carried.

Village Departments, Committees, and Commissions:

Public Safety: Don Morath

- a. Lt. Moore presented the October Incident Report.
- b. Don Morath thanked the Sheriff's Department for helping out for the Halloween events at the Museum.

Harbor:

- **a.** Harbor Master Report dated September 13, 2023 through October 11, 2023 was presented by Anne Soule.
- b. Harbor Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes dated September 25, 2023 were submitted.

Parks and Recreation:

- a. S. Balysh presented the Parks & Recreation report.
- **b. Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Hunter to extend an offer of employment to Chad Gainor, for the position of Parks & Recreation Coordinator. **Motion Carried.**

Finance:

- a. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes dated October 10, 2023 were presented by S. Balysh.
- **a1. Motion** by B. Hunter, seconded by M. Balysh to approve purchase of Christmas ornaments and lighting from Display Sales and Bronner's, not to exceed \$5,000.00. **Motion Carried**.
- **a2. Motion** by B. Hunter, seconded by S. Balysh to approve Paterson Tree Service proposal to trim trees in street Rights of Way for \$250.00 per hour, not to exceed previously approved budget of \$4,000.00. **Motion Carried.**
- a3. Motion to authorize purchase of grader blade for the Kubota Tractor was tabled.

New Business: None

Previous Business: None

Bills:

- **a. Motion** by B. Hunter, seconded by B. Simon to approve Village bills **PAID** dated October 10, 2023 in the amount of \$37,553.62. **Motion Carried**.
- **b. Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by B. Hunter to approve Harbor bills **PAID** dated October 11, 2023 in the amount of \$1,685.03. **Motion Carried.**
- c. **Motion** by B. Simon, seconded by B. Hunter to approve Village bill **PAID** dated October 12, 2023 in the amount of \$8,300.75 from the Water Project Account. **Motion Carried**.
- **d. Motion** by S. Balysh, seconded by A. True to approve Village bills **TO BE PAID** dated October 19, 2023 in the amount of \$12,733.71. **Motion Carried**.
- **e. Motion** by M. Balysh, seconded by B. Hunter to approve Harbor bills **TO BE PAID** dated October 20, 2023 in the amount of \$12,477.27. **Motion Carried**.

Minutes:

Motion by B. Hunter, seconded by A. True to approve the Council Meeting Minutes dated October 5, 2023, with the addition (8F) to send Thank You letters to prior Council Trustees. **Motion Carried.**

Business Manager: Larry O'Keefe

 a. De-annexation request from Larry Petersen, 470 Lakeshore Road, was tabled to obtain further information.

Clerk: Barbara Rabineau

- **a. Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by B. Hunter to remove Jon Davis from Thumb Bank accounts and add Michael Balysh, President Pro Tem to Thumb Bank accounts with authorization to sign checks. **Motion Carried.**
- **b. Motion** by D. Falcon, seconded by B. Hunter to approve Port Sanilac Area Business Association Event and Facility Use Check List for Halloween events on October 31, 2023. **Motion Carried**.

Work in Progress:

a. 2022 Water Project – Construction is taking place near Mulberry St. and Goldman St. to run parallel to the existing water main.

Public Comment:

- **a.** A question was raised regarding the fire equipment fund.
- b. Tree trimming question was raised; affected areas are not on M46 or M25.
- c. Water project questions were addressed by Larry O'Keefe.

Adjournment:

Motion by D. Falcon, seconded by B. Hunter to adjourn the council meeting at 8:03 pm. Motion Carried.

Barbara Rabineau, Clerk

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