

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
October 14, 2021  
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

**2021-119 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Rose.

Council present: Merry Barron, Randy Clay, Sue Smalley, Linda Poling, Greg Goss, Gabrielle Zobel, and Bert Rose.

Council absent: None.

Officers present: Ashley Scudder, Clerk; Debra Fourth, Treasurer.

Others present: Dave Ignasiak, Tyrone Township Supervisor; Mike Lantz, Star Customs.

**2021-120 PUBLIC TIME OTHER THAN AGENDA ITEMS –**

Dave Ignasiak addressed the confusion regarding permits for Mayan Buzz Café. All issues regarding permits for Mayan Buzz are to be sent to Tyrone Township.

Greg Goss, as a resident of the Village of Kent City, read a letter he prepared, addressed to the Tyrone Township board, regarding the funding for the School Resource Officer. Currently, residents of the Village of Kent City are taxed twice for this program through a millage on both Tyrone Township taxes and Kent City Village taxes. More research to be done regarding this issue.

**2021-121 CORRESPONDENCE – None.**

**2021-122 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smalley, to approve the Minutes from Village of Kent City Regular September 9, 2021, Council Meeting as presented.

**Vote:** Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion CARRIED

*Let the Minutes reflect that Trustee Gabrielle Zobel arrived at 6:15 p.m.*

**2021-123 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Poling, to approve agenda with the following additions: VIII. Reports- Equipment, Star Customs estimate; XII. New Business- F. DDA and G. DPW; XII. Commissioner Comments- Goss.

**Vote:** Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion CARRIED

**2021-124 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.**

**2021-125 REPORTS**

**FARM LEASE AGREEMENT BID OPENING**

The following bids were received and reviewed by council members.

Duane Anderson	\$92.00/acre/year
Bradford Dairy	\$101.00/acre/year
Kruithoff Farm and Grain, LLC	\$110.00/acre/year

**Motion** by Poling, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zobel, to award Farm Lease Agreement for 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027 growing seasons to Tim Kruithoff, Kruithoff Farm and Grain, LLC.

**Roll Call:** Ayes: Barron, Clay, Goss, Poling, Smalley, Zobel.

Nays: None.

Abstained: Rose.

Absent: None.

Motion CARRIED

EQUIPMENT~ *Randy*

- A. Plow truck is due for annual DOT Inspection. The heater needs repair. Parts have been purchased; estimate will be given for repair at time of inspection.
- B. Star Customs Estimate presented for necessary brake service on Village F250 truck. Approved by Rose.

HEALTH & SAFETY~ *Merry & Gabrielle*

Quarterly inspection completed by Gabrielle. Inspection sheets to be reviewed and updated as necessary.

IT ~ *Greg*

Village cell phone services have been successfully transferred over to Spectrum Mobile. Spectrum to be completing installation of internet to the DPW office within the next week.

SEWER/STORM~ *Mary*

- A. Sewer Administrator's Report from October 11<sup>th</sup> reviewed.
- B. Motion by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smalley to approve estimate from Kennedy Industries for the Mission upgrade at the Chary Ridge Lift Station for Three thousand, sixty-eight dollars and (\$3,068.40) 40/100.  
Roll call: Ayes: Clay, Goss, Poling, Zobel, Smalley, Barron, Rose.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None. Motion CARRIED
- C. Emergency Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes from October 12<sup>th</sup> reviewed.
- D. Sewer Budget for 2022/2023 to include purchase of a second generator for lift stations.

STREET ADMIN. ~ *Randy*

- A. Updated estimate presented for catch basin installation on Peach Ridge south of Ball Creek. Lawyer to be contacted regarding update on the requested easement for maintenance.

- B. All Around Excavating invoice for repair to Ball Creek and Leaver Park parking lots approved by Rose presented. Total project cost is Nine hundred seventy-five (\$975.00) dollars and 00/100.

President's Report

CDBG Parking Lot project estimated to take place in the spring of 2022. Project cost estimate prepared by Prein&Newhof for budgeting purposes presented.

Other Reports

- A. Clerk's 10/14/2021 Written Report.
- B. Treasurer's 9/30/2021 Written Report.
- C. Zoning Administrator's 10/7/2021 report.
- D. The Planning Commission meeting minutes from September 2<sup>nd</sup> were reviewed.
- E. The DDA meeting minutes from September 21<sup>st</sup> were reviewed.
- F. Fire Department reports for September.

Community Business: Kent City Trunk or Treat- Star Customs Parking Lot, October 31, 2021 from 5-7 p.m. DDA to purchase cupcakes for event.

**2021-126** APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

- A. Planning Commission Vacancy- Rose to nominate Melanie Koetje for vacant position as Planning Commission Trustee.

**Motion** to ratify nomination of Koetje for Planning Commission by Smalley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clay.

**Roll call:** Ayes: Smalley, Clay, Poling, Rose.

Nays: Zobel, Goss, Barron.

Absent: None.

Motion CARRIED

**2021-127** FINANCE

- A. **Motion** by Zobel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clay, to approve the bills for Thirty Five thousand, Two hundred thirty-one (\$35,231.56) dollars and 56/100.

**Roll call:** Ayes: Zobel, Poling, Barron, Clay, Goss, Smalley, Rose.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion CARRIED

**2021-128** OLD BUSINESS

- A. DDA- Member requirements received from Village attorney reviewed by Council. All current DDA members are qualified to serve on the board.
- B. Speed Limits- Research presented from Goss regarding the state outlined requirements for Village speed limits through Public Act 300. The Village is allowed to set its own speed limits on all roads within the Village, except for State Highways. Currently there are five segments within the Village limits that are not in compliance. Resolution 2021-21 will address these segments and bring the Village into compliance.

**2021-129**

NEW BUSINESS

A. **Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smalley to rescind Resolution No. 2021-16,  
To Authorize Traffic Control for Homecoming Parade 2021.

**Vote:** Ayes: 6 Nays: 1 Motion CARRIED

B. **Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barron to adopt Resolution No. 2021-19, To  
Authorize Traffic Control for Homecoming Parade 2021 with new date.

**Vote:** Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion CARRIED

C. **Motion** by Zobel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barron to adopt Resolution 2021-20:  
To Authorize Traffic Control for Halloween Parade 2021.

**Vote:** Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion CARRIED

D. **Motion** by Goss, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barron to adopt Resolution 2021-21: To  
Authorize the Revision of Kent City Village Speed Limits.

**Vote:** Ayes: 5 Nays: 2 Motion CARRIED

**2021-130**

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Goss will be moving at the end of November. There will be a vacant seat  
on the Kent City Village Council after the November 11, 2021, meeting.

**2021-131**

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn by Barron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Poling at 7:48  
p.m.

Vote: Ayes; 7. Nays: 0. Motion CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Scudder, Village Clerk