

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 10, 2019
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

2019-104 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Rose.

Council present: Merry Barron, Erik Bitely, Greg Goss, Jill Krikke, Curtis Rice, Sue Smalley and Bert Rose.

Council absent: None.

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

Others present: Nathan Funk, Christopher Funk, Scott Truman and John VanTholen.

2019-105 **Motion** by Bitely, 2nd by Krikke to approve the September 12th meeting minutes adding the words “in Chary Ridge development” at the end of the sentence regarding the playground.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2019-95 PUBLIC TIME OTHER THAN AGENDA ITEMS – Nathan Funk purchased the house at 51 S. Clover and is concerned about the flooding. The Street Administrator will investigate.

2019-107 CORRESPONDENCE ~ MML annual Convention invite.

2019-108 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Goss, 2nd by Barron to approve the agenda with the addition of E. Clark/N. Main under Street Report.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2019-109 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

John VanTholen and Scott Truman [Sales and Marketing Manager] with Granger Waste Services, reviewed their 2-year contract extension. The trucks are kept updated to meet the emissions requirements ~ \$330,000 ea.

2019-110 REPORTS

Beautification Committee – Merry & Sue

Motion by Barron, 2nd by Smalley to accept the proposal from Northwood Greenscapes for edging maintenance one time this fall.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

Equipment Committee – Erik

Scheduling dot for 507 truck. Upgraded green lights on F350 and unloader will be upgraded.

Health & Safety – Merry & Jill

Merry reported there are no safety issues.

Motion by Bitely, 2nd by Rice to have the Simple IRA employer match remain at 3% for 2020.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

Sewer/Storm - Mary

A new pump has been ordered for Wynwood Lift Station from NWK for \$2,800 and is a 6-week delivery time.

Street Report – Erik

Council reviewed the proposed sidewalk repairs. Will inquire if Community Action is doing a sidewalk project with other communities. It was recommended to put in an asphalt approach to Ball Creek Park from S. Second Street.

Superior Asphalt will be contacted about the water issue at N. Main and E. Clark after a rain and water run off on the east alley.

President’s Report – Bert

The property split application is being processed for the parking lot.

Other Reports

- A. Clerk’s 10/7/19 Written Report. Municipal Q&A. Community Action applications will be due in December. Ideas for improvements in Ball Creek Park are well, bathroom facilities and splash pad.
- B. Treasurer’s 9/30/19 Written Report.
- C. Zoning Administrator’s 10/9/19 Written Report.
- D. Planning Commission Proposed Minutes 10/3/19
- E. Fire Report for September.
- F. Kent Ridge apartment issues need to be reported to Sheriff’s Dept.

2019-111 APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

Motion by Goss, 2nd by Barron to appoint Jason Fulton to the DDA Board, term expiring 2023.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2019-112 FINANCE

A. **Motion** by Barron, 2nd by Rice to approve the bills for One hundred Sixty-five thousand, Eight hundred seventy-six and 28/100 (\$165,876.28) dollars.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Barron, Bitely, Goss, Krikke, Rice, Smalley, and Rose

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

B. The proposals to upgrade the lighting in the office is postponed until the November meeting.

C. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Rice to approve the budget amendments dated 10/8/19.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2019-113

OLD BUSINESS

A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Bitely to amend the Leaver Park Reservation Policy to allow reservations to be made up to 13 months in advance of the date requested for Village residents/property owners.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

B. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Rice to submit the bid to the Village of Casnovia to assist them with leaf pick-up.

Vote: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2019-114

NEW BUSINESS – None.

Motion by Barron, 2nd by Rice to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm. Motion CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Portell, Village Clerk