

**VILLAGE OF KENT CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 8, 2021
83 Spring Street, Kent City MI**

2021-50 CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

Council present: Merry Barron, Randy Clay, Greg Goss, Jill Krikke, Sue Smalley and Bert Rose.

Council absent: Curtis Rice.

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

Others present: Calvin Meeusen, CPA and Scott Mouthaan.

2021-51 **Motion** by Barron, 2nd by Goss to approve the March 11, 2021 meeting minutes and March 25, 2021 meeting minutes as presented.
Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2021-52 PUBLIC TIME OTHER THAN AGENDA ITEMS – None.

2021-53 CORRESPONDENCE – email from Amanda Johnson regarding the “Fairies and Farmers”.

2021-54 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion by Smalley, 2nd by Goss to approve the agenda with no changes.
Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion CARRIED

2021-55 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – Mr. Scott Mouthaan stated that he thought the proposed sewer rate increase was too much. What is the extra flow since the two developments have gone in? Suggested General Fund contribute \$\$ to assist with sewer upgrades. Sewer fund to be a part of the General Fund. Increase millage in the General Fund. Reduce the cost of construction on (Muskegon Street ~ state highway) line the pipe; don't dig up the road.

Audit Report

Mr. Calvin Meeusen presented the audit for 2/28/2021. All funds must be approved by budget and amended: General Fund, Major & Local Street, DDA and Debt Service. The Sewer Fund is an enterprise fund. Suggestion was made to check with Baker Tilly to call sewer bonds 4/1/31 at 3.5% and 4/1/32 at 3.6%. There are legal fees.

Beautification – *Merry & Sue*
Greens need to be removed from the pots.

Equipment – *Randy*
The paperwork for the utility tractor with Greenmark Equipment has been completed.

HR Committee ~ Bert

The meeting minutes from April 5th were reviewed.

IT Committee – Greg

Meeting minutes for March 22nd were reviewed.

Sewer & Storm ~ Mary

- A. EGLE submitted the approval letter with revisions to the Operation Report Form that was created in-house.
- B. The drilling company has completed the work on the monitoring wells per requirements of EGLE. The lift stations were cleaned this week by Plummer's and the structure between pond #1 into pond #2.

President's Report – None.

Other Reports

- A. Clerk's Written Report.
- B. Treasurer's 3/31/21 Written Report.
- C. Zoning Administrator's 4-9-2021 report.
- D. The Planning Commission meeting minutes from March 18th and April 1st were reviewed.
- E. Fire Department reports for February and March.

2021-56

APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

Motion by Krikke, 2nd by Barron to accept Curtis Rice's letter of resignation as Trustee.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2021-57

FINANCE

- A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Barron to approve the bills for Ninety-three thousand, Seventy-four and 54/100 (\$93,074.54) dollars.

Roll call Vote:

Ayes: Barron, Clay, Goss, Krikke, Smalley, Rose.

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED

- B. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Clay to award the electrical upgrade bid (lighting up the grounds) at 300 Spring Street to Northland Electric for Two thousand, Seven hundred (\$2,700.00) dollars.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

2021-58

OLD BUSINESS - None.

2021-59

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Motion** by Goss, 2nd by Barron to adopt **Ordinance No. 2021-04.03** to amend the Zoning Ordinance (Rezoning of Lands at 13560 Fruit Ridge Ave.) from R-1 to R1-A.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

B. Motion by Goss, 2nd by Barron to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-07** to Set Sewer Rates and Fees \$35.00 / month.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

C. Council is in favor of renovating the village offices.

D. Motion by Goss, 2nd by Clay to approve the Site Plan for Meadow Garden Estates – Phase 2B accepting the recommendation of the Planning Commission with conditions to install an off set cul-de sac at lot #37 and to install a separate construction road.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays.

Motion CARRIED

This item was rescinded at the May 13, 2021 meeting.

2021-60 ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn by Barron, 2nd by Smalley at 8:06 p.m.

Vote: 6 Ayes; 0 Nay.

Motion CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Portell, Village Clerk